CMST 1545H - Honors Communication Foundations

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Course Description

1545H. Honors Communication Foundations. Theories, strategies, and skills for competent participation in interpersonal, group, and public communication situations. Application exercises in interpersonal, group, and public communication. Prereq.: ENGL 1550. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Experience Communication (Looseleaf) - With Connect, 3rd edition	Child, Jeffrey	9781266162701

Publisher: McGraw Hill

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Day	Date	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
Mon	8/24			First Day sheets: Orientation to course; ALL unit quizzes active (8/2 5@8am); Click into Connect
Wed	8/26	Introduction Speeches		Please complete site & syllabus quiz
Fri	8/28	Chapter 1: Communication, Perception, and Your Life		Please complete quiz #1
Mon	8/31	Chapter 2: Communicating Verbally		Please complete Quiz #2
Wed	9/2	Chapter 3: Communicating nonverbally		Please complete Quiz #3
Fri	9/4			Intro Group Assignment
Mon	9/7			No Class - Legal Holiday
Wed	9/9	Chapter 4: Communicating through listening		Please complete Quiz #4
Fri	9/11	Chapter 5: Interpersonal Communication		Please complete Quiz #5
Mon	9/14	Chapter 6: Intercultural Communication		Please complete Quiz #6
Wed	9/16	Chapter 7: Mediated Communication		Please complete Quiz #7
Fri	9/18	Chapter 8: Small Group Communication	Introduce Individual & Group RTM	Please complete Quiz #8
Mon	9/21			Introduce Speech Assignments

Wed	9/23	Chapter 9 Topic Selection and Audience Analysis	Please complete Quiz #9
Fri	9/25	Chapter 10: Organizing Your Presentation	Please complete Quiz #10
Mon	9/28		Informative Speech Topic meetings
Wed	9/30	Chapter 11: Gathering Information and Supporting Materials	Please complete Quiz #11
Fri	10/2	Chapter 12: Communication Apprehension & Delivery	Please complete Quiz #12
Mon	10/5	Chapter 13: Public Presentations to Inform	Please complete Quiz #13
Wed	10/7	Chapter 14: Public Presentations to Persuade	Please complete Quiz #14
Fri	10/9		WORK DAY
Mon	10/12		INFORMATIVE SPEECHES
Wed	10/14		INFORMATIVE SPEECHES
Fri	10/16		INFORMATIVE SPEECHES
Mon	10/19		INFORMATIVE SPEECHES
Wed	10/21		INFORMATIVE SPEECHES
Fri	10/23		INFORMATIVE SPEECHES
Mon	10/26		INFORMATIVE SPEECHES
Wed	10/28		WORK DAY / Persuasive Topic meetings
Fri	10/30		WORK DAY
Mon	11/2		PERSUASIVE SPEECHES
Wed	11/4		PERSUASIVE SPEECHES
Fri	11/6		PERSUASIVE SPEECHES
Mon	11/9		PERSUASIVE SPEECHES
Wed	11/11		PERSUASIVE SPEECHES
Fri	11/13		PERSUASIVE SPEECHES
Mon	11/16		PERSUASIVE SPEECHES
Wed	11/18		GROUP WORK / Introduce Honors Speech
Fri	11/20		GROUP WORK
Mon	11/23		GROUP WORK
Wed	11/25		Happy Thanksgiving!
Fri	11/27		NO CLASS - Holiday
Mon	11/30		GROUP PRESENTATIONS
Wed	12/2		GROUP PRESENTATIONS
Fri	12/4		CATCHUP Individual Group Member Assessment due
Mon	12/7		FINALS WEEK All quizzes must be complete by Monday 12/7 by 11:59 PM Final Survey due by Monday 12/7 by 11:59 PM

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