COMMUNICATION

Department of Communication
College of Communication
Arts and Sciences

100 Human Communication
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0)
Process and functions of communication. Principles underlying communication behavior. Practice in analyzing communication situations and in speaking and writing.

200 Methods of Communication Inquiry
Fall, Spring, Summer. 4(4-0) RB: Completion of University mathematics requirement. Nature and conduct of communication inquiry. Significant questions about communication and finding systematic answers.

225 An Introduction to Interpersonal Communication
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0)
Principles and practices of interpersonal communication. Emphasis on effective and responsible interpersonal communication.

240 Introduction to Organizational Communication
Fall, Spring, Summer. 4(4-0)
Theories, systems, structures and processes of organizational communication. Organizational cultures. Communication in multinational organizations and in individual, leadership, supervisor-subordinate and small group situations.

275 Effects of Mass Communication
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0)
Major social effects of mass media on audience behavior. Political communication. Media effects on children. Message strategies producing attitude change. Interrelationships between mass media and interpersonal communication.

315 Information Gathering and Interviewing Theories
Fall of odd years. 3(3-0) P: (COM 200 or concurrently) or (MSC 313 or concurrently) R: Open to juniors or seniors in the Communication major or in the Sales Communication Specialization.
Information gathering as a relational process. Interaction through the asking and answering of questions.

325 Interpersonal Influence and Conflict
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: (COM 200 or concurrently) or (MSC 313 or concurrently) R: Open to juniors or seniors in the Eli Broad College of Business and The Eli Broad Graduate School of Management or in the College of Communication Arts and Sciences or in the College of Education or in the Sales Communication Specialization.
Theories, processes and models of interpersonal influence and conflict. Conflict resolution, persuasion, and compliance-gaining.

340 Leadership and Group Communication
Spring, 3(3-0) P: COM 200 or MSC 313 R: Open to juniors or seniors in the Eli Broad College of Business and The Eli Broad Graduate School of Management or in the College of Communication Arts and Sciences or in the College of Education or in the Sales Communication Specialization.
Theory and research on dyadic and group relations within organizations. Leadership, motivation, networks, decision making, and organizational taxonomy.

360 Advanced Sales Communication
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Advertising and Marketing and Supply Chain Management. Administered by Communication. P: MSC 313 and (MSC 300 or MSC 327) RB: COM 100 R: Open to undergraduate students in the Sales Communication Specialization.
Need-based selling and leadership role in meeting client needs. Advanced methods of questioning, customer need analysis, negotiation, effective presentations and interpersonal communication relationships with clients. Sales role-playing presentations, business and technical writing, portfolio presentations, and case studies.

375 Audience Response to Media Entertainment
Spring, 3(3-0) P: COM 200 R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the Colleges of Business, Communication Arts and Sciences, and Education.
Theory and research on audience responses to media entertainment. Models of audience responses, reactions to violence in media, and children and the media.

391 Topics in Verbal, Intercultural, or Gender Communication
Fall, Spring. 4(4-0) A student may earn a maximum of 8 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: COM 200 RB: One 200 level course in Communication. R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the Colleges of Business, Communication Arts and Sciences, and Education.
Verbal interaction, cultural diversity or gender communication.

399 Special Topics in Communication
Spring. 3(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: COM 200 R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the Colleges of Business, Communication Arts and Sciences, and Education.
Contemporary issues in communication.

402 Public Relations Topics in Communication
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1(1-0) A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in any or all enrollments in ADV 402, COM 402, JRN 402, or RET 402. P: (ADV 402 or JRN 200 or JRN 205 or CAS 299) and ADV 260 and (COM 200 or STT 200) R: Approval of department.
Current topics related to the practice of public relations.

425 Communication in Close Relationships
Fall, Spring. 4(4-0) P: COM 225 or COM 325 or COM 200 RB: Completion of Tier I writing requirement. R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students in the Department of Communication.
In-depth treatment of current research and of theoretical and methodological issues.

440 Organizational Communication Structure
Fall. 4(4-0) P: COM 200 and COM 240 RB: Completion of Tier I Writing requirement. R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students in the Department of Communication.
Systems approaches to information processing and communication structures in organizations.

475 Communication Campaign Design and Analysis
Fall. 4(4-0) P: (COM 275 and COM 200) or (ADV 325 and completion of Tier I writing requirement) RB: Completion of Tier I Writing requirement. R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students in the Department of Communication or in the Health Communication major and open to students in the Public Relations Specialization.
Design and analysis of campaigns presented through mediated channels including electronic and print media.

480 Accounting Business Communication Skills
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Accounting. Administered by Communication. R: Open to undergraduate students in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems and open to masters students in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems.
Oral and written communication skill development for the accounting business world.

483 Practicum in Sales Communication
Fall, Spring. 1(1-0) P: COM 225 and MSC 313 and MSC 300 and MSC 327 and MSC 413 and COM 360 RB: COM 100 R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the Sales Communication Specialization.
Supervised practical experience in a professional sales environment.

490 Independent Study
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 3 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Not open to freshmen or sophomores. Approval of department; application required.
Directed study under faculty supervision.

493 Internship
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 7 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 7 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the Department of Communication. Approval of department; application required.
Supervised practical experience in a professional environment.
Emphasis on dyadic and group processes and theory, cybernetics, and transactional approach. Further consideration of communication research methods and strategies commonly used in practical research settings.

Communication research strategy and methodology. Scientific process. Derivation and test of hypotheses. Methods of research design.

Further study of methods of data collection and analysis. Writing and critiquing research reports. Use of appropriate technology for management presentations.

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494 Pracicum in Communication Research and Instruction
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to sophomores or juniors or seniors in the Department of Communication. Approval of department; application required. Structured participation in departmental research teams and applied practice in the community.

800 Applied Communication Research I
Fall. 3(3-0)
Communication research methods and strategies commonly used in practical research settings.

801 Communication Research I
Fall. 4(4-0)
Communication research strategy and methodology. Scientific process. Derivation and test of hypotheses. Methods of research design.

802 Communication Research II
Spring. 4(4-0) RB: COM 801
Further consideration of communication research strategy and methodology. Topics include systems theory, cybernetics, and transactional approach.

815 Organizational Communication I
Fall. 3(3-0)
Emphasis on dyadic and group processes and organizational intervention strategies. Topics include managing diversity, organizational structure, and communication productivity.

820 Communication Theory and Process
Fall. 3(3-0)
Role that theory plays in different areas of communication scholarship.

821 Mass Communication Theory and Research
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) SA: TC 821
Current mass communication research and theories, including exposure patterns, diffusion of news and social effects of mass media.

828 Cross-Cultural Communication
Spring. 3(3-0)
Problems in communicating across cultural boundaries, focusing on the processes, theories, and methods in the study of intercultural communication.

830 Applied Communication Research II
Spring. 3(3-0)
Thesis production. Reporting and evaluating the results of communication research.

841 Design Research for Digital Media Arts and Technology
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Telecommunication. Administered by Telecommunication. RB: Direct experience with the creative process for one or more digital media arts and technologies including audio, video, multimedia, and 3-D animation/virtual reality. SA: TC 824
Research methods used by design teams for asking and answering questions related to digital media arts and technology, before, during, and after design of creative work. The design goals and the design prototype are tested to guide development and evaluate effectiveness.

855 Codes and Code Systems
Spring. 4(4-0)
Structure and function of verbal and nonverbal communication. Relationship between discourse and context. Generation of meaning through interaction.

860 Persuasion
Fall. 3(3-0)
Use of messages to gain compliance and effect social change. Persuasion and attitude change from classical theories to contemporary situations.

874 Communication in Supply Chain Management
Fall. 1(1-1) R: Open to masters students in the Logistics major.
Development of effective interpersonal communication skills. Oral communication in business settings. Use of appropriate technology for management presentations.

875 Communication Leadership Skills in Organizations
Fall, Summer. 3(3-0) R: Open to masters students in the Accounting major.
Theoretical and practical approaches to organizational communication and leadership. Communication and responsibility in a new era. Leadership self-assessment, leadership in action and managerial communication, and leadership accountability.

890 Independent Study
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 9 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Approval of department.
Individualized study under faculty direction.

893 Internship
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 9 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to graduate students in the Department of Communication. Supervised experience in an applied-communication setting.

899 Master’s Thesis Research
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 14 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to graduate students in the Department of Communication. Master’s thesis research.

901 Communication Research Design I
Fall. 4(4-0) RB: One introductory research design or statistics course. R: Open only to doctoral students.
Methods of data collection and analysis. Writing and critiquing research reports.

902 Communication Research Design II
Spring. 4(4-0) RB: COM 901 R: Open only to graduate students.
Further study of methods of data collection and analysis. Writing and critiquing research reports.

915 Organizational Communication II
Spring of odd years. 3(3-0) RB: COM 815
Organizational communication structure and information processing. The organization’s embeddedness in a larger social environment.