

SPEECH 1 SYLLABUS

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COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course is designed to provide both a practical introduction to the fundamental principles of public speaking and a forum for practicing public speaking skills. Through a variety of instructional strategies—discussion, class workshops, readings, lectures, and presentations—you will learn the processes by which effective speeches are conceived, prepared and delivered.

BASIC SKILLS PREREQUISITES ADVISED: Eligible for English IA

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- 1. to increase your confidence in your public speaking ability.
- 2. to learn principles of effective public speaking.
- 3. to reinforce existing speaking skills and identify areas for improvement.
- 4. to demonstrate effective aspects of speech preparation.
- 5. to demonstrate effective aspects of speech delivery.
- to appropriately apply public speaking skills to a variety of speech contexts.

REQUIRED TEXT AND MATERIALS:

Text: The required textbook for this course is Approach <u>Public Speaking: An Audience-Centered</u> (3rd ed.), by Steven Beebe and Susan Beebe. Students are expected to keep current in the reading of the text, even if chapter material is not directly covered in class. Exams will be drawn primarily from the textbook.

Materials: Blank videotape labeled on side of tape with your name and section number.

ATTENDANCE/LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY DEPARTURE POLICY: Because this course emphasizes live performance as well as class discussion, attendance at all class sessions is imperative. (You can't do public speaking without a "public.") Attendance will be checked at each class period. PLEASE realize that if you miss class the day you are expected to present a speech, turn in an assignment, or take an exam, you probably will not be allowed to make up that activity or present the speech on a subsequent date. The grade is zero. If you do miss a class, it is your responsibility to get the information that was covered from one of your classmates. The following policy will be enforced in this class:

MWF Classes:

- a. Your first three absences are without penalty. Use these absences for illness and emergencies which occur.
- b. Your fourth absence will lower your final course average by 3 points.
- c. Each subsequent absence will lower your final course average by 3 points.
- d. You must attend at least 40 minutes of a 50-minute class to be counted present.

TR Classes

- a. Your first two absences are without penalty. Use these absences for illness and emergencies which may occur.
- b. Your third absence will lower your final course average by 4 points.
- c. Each subsequent absence will lower your final course average by 4 points.