Public Speaking
COMM-1110

Spring 2021  Section 91  3 Credits  01/09/2021 to 05/11/2021  Modified 01/11/2021

_description

A study of the principles and practice of public speaking with an emphasis on the organization of material and the vocal and physical aspects of delivery in various public speaking situations.

_requisites

Prerequisites:

Corequisites:

_contact information

Instructor: Nicole Dukes

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Office: virtually by appointment

_meeting times

This course must adhere to CDC and University guidelines of social distancing. I will be placing you in two groups and your group will meet every other Tuesday. Face to Face class is OPTIONAL. Everything will be done online and for those who choose to meet on campus, we will just go over any questions or concerns you may have in relation to the uploaded lectures and assignments.

Tuesday 9-10:15 AM - Rm 188

Thursday - Asynchronous Online

_materials

Stand Up, Speak Out: The Practice and Ethics of Public Speaking: This is a free online textbook and is available through the following link: http://open.lib.umn.edu/publicspeaking/front-matter/publisher-information/

_outcomes

• To expose the student to a variety of public speaking situations.
• To help the student learn to control and put their nervousness about the speaking situation to good use.
• To help the student become a more effective listener.
• To develop critical thinking skills. To familiarize ourselves

_evaluation


Breakdown
Grading Policy:

Final grades will be based on a total of 950 points. The grades will be computed on a percentage basis such that 90-100% = A, 80-89.9% = B, etc.

Assignments

Quizzes – 250 points
- Syllabus Quiz (25pts)
- Listening Quiz (50pts)
- Informative Quiz (50pts)
- Persuasive Quiz (50pts)
- Outline Quiz (50pts)

Speaking Assignments – 400 points

- Students need to acquire a stopwatch to use while practicing their speeches and during graded performances.
- Students will record each of their speeches using their phone, laptop, etc. and post in course den in the

One Item Speech: 75 pts. - One Item Speech - Introduction Speech: 2 -3 min speech - Pick 1 item that represents you and describe why it is important and how it represents you.

Demonstration/How-to Speech: 100 pts.  5-7 minute speech in which the student will describe how to accomplish a particular task or attain a particular goal. Topics must be appropriate for a college level audience. Outside sources, if used, must be verbally cited. Proper outlining techniques will be utilized.

Persuasion: 125 points.  6-8 minute speech, delivered with minimal notes. Students will choose a topic/issue in which they have a strong personal interest. In this speech the student will advocate a position and/or ask the audience to take an action.

Special Occasion Speech: 2-3 min speech and you can make up the occasion. Have as much fun as you would like! - 100pts

Written Assignments - 150 points
- Persuasive Outline (see template)
- Outside Speech Critique
- Self evaluation (see template)

Discussion Boards - 150 points
- Getting to know you
- Informative critique
- Listening board

Schedule
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<td>1/26  Uploaded Lecture – Ethics</td>
<td>1/28  <strong>One Item Speech</strong> 75 pts.  - One Item Speech - Introduction Speech: 2 -3 min speech - Pick 1 item that represents you and describe why it is important and how it represents you.</td>
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<td>2/16  Uploaded Lecture – Picking a topic</td>
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<td>2/23  Uploaded Lecture- Visual Aide</td>
<td>2/25  <strong>Demonstration/How-to Speech</strong> 100 pts. 5-7 minute speech in which the student will describe how to accomplish a particular task or attain a particular goal. Topics must be appropriate for a college level audience. Outside sources, if used, must be verbally cited. Proper outlining techniques will be utilized.</td>
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### Week 11
- **3/23**: Uploaded Lecture – Outlining
- **3/25**: Persuasive Outline Due

### Week 12
- **3/30**: Uploaded Lecture – Delivery
- **4/1**: **Persuasion**: 125 points. 6-8 minute speech, delivered with minimal notes. Students will choose a topic/issue in which they have a strong personal interest. In this speech the student will advocate a position and/or ask the audience to take an action.

### Week 13
- **4/6**: Uploaded Lecture – Speaking to entertain
- **4/8**: Quiz #4

### Week 14
- **4/13**: Uploaded Lecture – Voice and diction
- **4/15**: Quiz #5

### Week 15
- **4/20**: Uploaded Lecture
- **4/22**: Quiz #5

### Week 16
- **4/27**: Uploaded Lecture
- **4/29**: **Special Occasion Speech**: 2-3 min speech and you can make up the occasion. Have as much fun as you would like! - 100pts

### Week 17
- **5/4**: Uploaded Lecture
- **5/6**: Outside Speech Critique

### Course Policies and Resources

1. No more than 12 of students are allowed in the classroom at a time.
2. Attendance and use of a seating chart to help with contact tracing, is necessary for all f2f classes.
3. All students and faculty are required to wear a mask inside a building, whether in a classroom, hallway, restroom, etc., per the USG.
4. All course content must be accessible online for every student.

### College/School Policies

**Mission**

Fair, just, and productive societies require the free flow of news, information, and ideas from communicators of knowledge, skill, and integrity who reflect the diversity of the people they serve. Therefore, the Department of Mass Communications strives to provide high quality academic and experiential learning opportunities to prepare students for successful integration into the global community as industry professionals, leaders, and thinkers in the fields of convergence journalism, digital media and telecommunication, film and video production, and public relations.
Vision

The Department of Mass Communications is committed to empowering students to communicate clearly, act responsibly, think critically, and understand context(s) to enhance their personal, civic, academic, and professional lives, facilitating active participation in an evolving and increasingly diverse society.

Strategic Priorities

Invested Teaching

To inspire and equip students to discover their personal, intellectual, and professional potential through personalized teaching, academic coaching, and career mentoring.

Experiential Learning

To offer students early and on-going multiple and diverse hands-on learning to develop and enhance personal, intellectual, and professional growth.

Connectedness

To serve as the hub that connects and cultivates partnerships among key stakeholders to enhance personal, intellectual, and professional growth. Key stakeholders include administrators, faculty, staff, students, alumni, industry, community, and friends.

Mass Communications Degree Program Learning Outcomes

ACEJMC Professional Values and Competencies: The Bachelor of Science degree program in Mass Communications is accredited by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC), and the Department is committed to preparing students with the requisite knowledge and skills to be successful in the media and communications industries after graduation. The Department has adopted as its Mass Communications degree program learning outcomes ACEJMC’s 12 professional values and competencies, known as 6 X 6 MASS COMM SUCCESS, that all graduates of an ACEJMC accredited program should be aware of and able to demonstrate as scholars and professionals in the discipline. For the detailed list of the ACEJMC professional values and competencies, see the UWG Undergraduate Catalog (https://catalog.westga.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=11&poid=1991) or ACEJMC - Standard 2. Curriculum and Instruction (http://www.acejmc.org/policies-process/nine-standards/).

6 X 6 MASS COMM SUCCESS

1. Freedom of Speech & Press
2. History
3. Diversity
4. Global Impact
5. Theory
6. Ethics
7. Think Critically & Creatively
8. Research & Evaluate
9. Write Effectively
10. Self-Evaluate
11. Apply Numbers & Statistics
12. Apply Technology

Film & Video Production Degree Program Learning Outcomes

Overview: The Bachelor of Science degree program in Film & Video Production is designed to train graduates in the field who are agile, adaptable, and able to employ their skills in an array of roles from entrepreneurial content producers to on-set film work,
both above and below the line. It will provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the machinery at work behind media production and distribution, along with a set of tangible, marketable, and transferable skills for an array of positions within the infrastructure of film and content production. The FVP degree program learning outcomes include:

1. Demonstrate critical thinking, aesthetic awareness and technical proficiency in the production and assessment of audio-visual film work.
2. Understand all phases and roles of film production in order to help formulate career goals.
3. Understand the various potentials of film as both a commodity for a targeted audience, and an act of authorship and creative expression.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of the diversity of peoples and cultures and of the significance and impact of cinema in a global society.

Institutional Policies

Academic Support

Accessibility Services: Students with a documented disability may work with UWG Accessibility Services to receive essential services specific to their disability. All entitlements to accommodations are based on documentation and USG Board of Regents standards. If a student needs course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability or chronic illness, or if he/she needs to make special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, the student should notify his/her instructor in writing and provide a copy of his/her Student Accommodations Report (SAR), which is available only from Accessibility Services. Faculty cannot offer accommodations without timely receipt of the SAR; further, no retroactive accommodations will be given. For more information, please contact Accessibility Services (https://www.westga.edu/student-services/counseling/accessibility-services.php).

Center for Academic Success: The Center for Academic Success (http://www.westga.edu/cas/) provides services, programs, and opportunities to help all undergraduate students succeed academically. For more information, contact them: 678-839-6280 or cas@westga.edu.

University Writing Center: The University Writing Center (https://www.westga.edu/writing/) assists students with all areas of the writing process. For more information, contact them: 678-839-6513 or writing@westga.edu.

Online Courses

UWG takes students’ privacy concerns seriously: technology-enhanced and partially and fully online courses use sites and entities beyond UWG and students have the right to know the privacy policies of these entities. For more information on privacy and accessibility for the most commonly used sites, as well as technology requirements visit the UWG Online (https://uwgonline.westga.edu/) site.

Students enrolled in online courses can find answers to many of their questions in the Online/Off-Campus Student Guide (http://uwgonline.westga.edu/online-student-guide.php).

If a student is experiencing distress and needs help, please see the resources available at the UWG Cares (http://www.westga.edu/UWGCares/) site. Online counseling (https://www.westga.edu/student-services/counseling/index.php) is also available for online students.

Honor Code

At the University of West Georgia, we believe that academic and personal integrity are based upon honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. Students at West Georgia assume responsibility for upholding the honor code. West Georgia students pledge to refrain from engaging in acts that do not maintain academic and personal integrity. These include, but are not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, aid of academic dishonesty, lying, bribery or threats, and stealing.

The University of West Georgia maintains and monitors a confidential Academic Dishonesty Tracking System. This database collects and reports patterns of repeated student violations across all the Colleges, the Ingram Library, and the School of Nursing. Each incidence of academic dishonesty is subject to review and consideration by the instructor, and is subject to a range of
academic penalties including, but not limited to, failing the assignment and/or failing the course. Student conduct sanctions range from verbal warning to suspension or expulsion depending on the magnitude of the offense and/or number of offenses. The incident becomes part of the student's conduct record at UWG.

Additionally, the student is responsible for safeguarding his/her computer account. The student's account and network connection are for his/her individual use. A computer account is to be used only by the person to whom it has been issued. The student is responsible for all actions originating through his/her account or network connection. Students must not impersonate others or misrepresent or conceal their identities in electronic messages and actions. For more information on the University of West Georgia Honor Code, please see the Student Handbook (https://www.westga.edu/administration/vpsa/handbook-code-of-conduct.php).

**UWG Email Policy**

University of West Georgia students are provided a MyUWG e-mail account. The University considers this account to be an official means of communication between the University and the student. The purpose of the official use of the student e-mail account is to provide an effective means of communicating important university related information to UWG students in a timely manner. It is the student’s responsibility to check his or her email.

**Credit Hour Policy**

The University of West Georgia grants one semester hour of credit for work equivalent to a minimum of one hour (50 minutes) of in-class or other direct faculty instruction AND two hours of student work outside of class per week for approximately fifteen weeks. For each course, the course syllabus will document the amount of in-class (or other direct faculty instruction) and out-of-class work required to earn the credit hour(s) assigned to the course. Out-of-class work will include all forms of credit-bearing activity, including but not limited to assignments, readings, observations, and musical practice. Where available, the university grants academic credit for students who verify via competency-based testing, that they have accomplished the learning outcomes associated with a course that would normally meet the requirements outlined above (e.g. AP credit, CLEP, and departmental exams).

**HB 280 (Campus Carry)**

UWG follows University System of Georgia (USG) guidance: [http://www.usg.edu/hb280/additional_information#](http://www.usg.edu/hb280/additional_information)

You may also visit our website for help with USG Guidance: [https://www.westga.edu/police/campus-carry.php](https://www.westga.edu/police/campus-carry.php)

**Mental Health Support**

If you or another student find that you are experiencing a mental health issue, free confidential services are available on campus in the Counseling Center. Students who have experienced sexual or domestic violence may receive confidential medical and advocacy services with the Patient Advocates in Health Services. To report a concern anonymously, please go to UWGcares.

**ELL Resources**

If you are a student having difficulty with English language skills, and / or U.S. culture is not your home culture, specialized resources are available to help you succeed. Please visit the E.L.L. resource page for more information.

**COVID-19**

Proctored Exams/Online Instruction: Students should be aware and plan ahead for the possibility of having to complete all courses and/or exams online or in a proctored environment. This means talking with your instructors about what minimum technical requirements (software and hardware) will be required should your class move online or a student's personal needs dictate. This also includes making plans for internet access at whatever location participation may occur.

Virtual or in-person proctored exams, if your instructor should require them, may result in an additional cost to the student. Please discuss these details with your instructor or see the information provided here.

Face Coverings: Effective July 15, 2020, University System of Georgia institutions, including the University of West Georgia, will require all faculty, staff, students, and visitors to wear an appropriate face covering while inside campus facilities/buildings where
six feet social distancing may not always be possible. Face covering use will be in addition to and is not a substitute for social distancing.

Face coverings are not required in campus outdoor settings where social distancing requirements are met. Anyone not using a face covering when required will be asked to wear one or must leave the area.

Reasonable accommodations may be made for those who are unable to wear a face covering for documented health reasons.

**Student FAQs:** For more information about UWG COVID-19 guidance for students visit the [Student FAQ webpage](https://www.westga.edu/student-services/health/coronavirus-info/return-to-campus/students-faq-return-to-campus.php).