

Public Speaking

The following learning targets represent the major concepts studied and assessed in this course.



Semester (Semester Only Class)

Intro to the Communication Process

- Describe the process of communication through models and examples.
- Recall the elements of verbal and nonverbal communication.
- List the appeals of rhetoric and ways in which we communicate.

Nonverbal Communication

- Demonstrate symbols of nonverbal communication.
- Practice using nonverbal communication in class and in public.
- Interpret nonverbal communication to analyze audience.

Organizational Patterns

- Determine topics for each speech.
- Group ideas and talking points together in specific formats.
- Layout talking points through an outline to use as a guide.

Delivery

- Explain the topic using the prepared outline.
- Self-assess speaking technique and use the assessment to create goals.
- Summarize the topic by speaking to an audience.

Persuasion

- Justify a position taken on a subject by using credibility and research.
- Specify the reasoning behind the opinion chosen.

Demonstration

- Combine the skills and techniques learned throughout the course.
- Enhance speaking ability by utilizing practice and presentation aids.