

Speech Communication

The speech communication major, which encompasses both communication theory and rhetorical arts, has two primary educational goals: (1) to develop students' ability to communicate with others and (2) to educate students to effectively evaluate the communication of others.

ACADEMIC TRACKS RELATIONAL COMMUNICATION

Our lives are spent in relationships with others. Most people are born into a family, form friendships, join work groups and begin romantic attachments that sometimes lead to new families. This academic track focuses on the communication processes within these personal relationships – relationships in the family, romantic relationships, and in caring and therapeutic relationships. The communication specialization is intended for students who are interested in the psychological foundations of human communication, as well as students interested in the helping/therapy professions (e.g. healthcare, community service, and counseling).

SPEECH COMMUNICATION COURSES: (37 HOURS)

REQUIRED COURSES: (7 HOURS)

- Spch 080: Speech Seminar (0 hrs)
- Spch 320: Theories of Human Communication (3 hrs)
- Spch 330: Rhetoric of Western Thought (3 hrs)
- Spch 550: Senior Colloquium (1 hr)

RELATIONAL COMMUNICATION COURSES: (15 HOURS)

- Spch 322: Interpersonal Communication (3 hrs)
- Spch 323: Nonverbal Communication (3 hrs)
- Spch 326: Small Group Discussion Methods (3 hrs)
- Spch 328: Professional Interviewing (3 hrs)
- Spch 450: Special Topics: Gender Communication(3 hrs)
- Spch 480: Intercultural Communication (3 hrs)
- Spch 526: Persuasion (3 hrs)

SPEECH COMMUNICATION ELECTIVES: (15 HRS)

POTENTIAL CAREERS

- › SOCIAL SERVICES
- › RELIGIOUS CLERGY
- › HOSPITAL INFORMATION OFFICER
- › YOUTH WORKER
- › COUNSELING
- › PRE-HEALTH CAREER

RELATED MAJORS / MINORS

- › PSYCHOLOGY
- › DRAMA THERAPY
- › SOCIAL WORK
- › FAMILY STUDIES/
HUMAN SERVICES

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