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I. Course and Instructor: **Interpersonal Communications**

Professor Jerry Scanlon

Format: (Classroom Lecture)

Course Information:

Course Title: Interpersonal Communications Synonym Number: 68726

Course Code: COM 125 VE01 Credits: 3.0

Semester: Fall 2009 Prerequisite: College-level reading

Start date: 8/29/12 End date: 12/12/12

Meeting Times and Days: 6:00-8:50pm Wednesday

Class Location: Room 215 Vail-Edwards Campus

Refund Date: 09/11/09 Withdraw Date: 11/14/09

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II. Course Description:

Examines the communication involved in interpersonal relationships occurring in family, social and career situations. Relevant concepts include self-concept, perception, listening, nonverbal communication, and conflict.

III. Student Learning Outcomes, Competencies, and Skills:

Introduction to the Interpersonal Communication Process

- A. Models of communication
- B. Elements of the interpersonal process
- C. Fundamental nature of communication
- D. Characteristics of the competent communicator

II. Communication and the Self

- A. Definition and analysis of self-concept
- B. Evaluation of self-concept

III. Perception

- A. Stages in the perceptual process
- B. Influences on perception
- C. Accuracy and inaccuracy of perception
- D. Perception checking for greater understanding
- E. Using empathy to improve communication

IV. Emotions

- A. Understand the nature of emotions
- B. Expressing emotions in interpersonal relationships

V. Listening

- A. The listening process
- B. Types of listening in interpersonal contexts
- C. Barriers to listening effectively
- D. Effective listening behaviors

VI. Language

- A. The nature of language
- B. Impact of language

VII. Nonverbal Communication

- A. Definition of nonverbal communication
- B. Types of nonverbal communication
- C. Practical applications of nonverbal communication
- D. The role of culture in nonverbal communication

VIII. Communication and Relationships

- A. Theories of interpersonal attraction
- B. Stages in interpersonal relationships
- C. Guidelines for effective self-disclosure
- D. Supportive and defensive styles of communicating

IX. Conflict Management

- A. The nature of conflict
- B. Conflict styles
- C. Conflict resolution

IV. IDEA Objectives:

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends).
2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories.
3. Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team.
4. Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems.
5. Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking questions and seeking answers.

V. Evaluation Methods and Class Management:

GR	Score	PT	GR	Score	PT	GR	Score	PT	GR	Score	PT	GR	Score
			B+	87-89	3.3	C+	77-79	2.3	D+	67-69	1.3		
A	93-100	4.0	B	83-86	3.0	C	73-76	2.0	D	63-66	1.0	Fail	59-0
A-	90-92	3.7	B-	80-82	2.7	C-	70-72	1.7	D-	60-62	0.7		

Other grading symbols:

Grade	Definition	Grade	Definition
W	Withdrawal	P/F	Pass/Fail
AW	Administrative Withdrawal	I	Incomplete
AU	Audit	NG	No Grade Assigned

Learning Activity	Point Value
<i>miniquizzes (in-class & take-home)</i>	10
<i>Mid-term (in-class & take-home)</i>	25
<i>Final (in-class & take home)</i>	35
<i>Collage project, group and class participation and attendance</i>	30
Total	100%

Wk	Date	Assignment
1	8/29	Class Introduction/ Attendance Sheet/ Student Fact Collection/ Introduction to course text/discuss Syllabus/assignment read pgs 3-14
2	9/5	Lecture: The Nature and Components of Communication/discussion Break 7:15-7:25, Group selection and project, CAT, read pgs 28-44
3	9/12	miniquiz, Lecture: Communication and the Self/ discussion Break 7:15-7:25, Groups, read pgs 62-72
4	9/19	Lecture: The Listening Process/discussion

		Break, Group, read pgs 135-39 CAT
5	9/26	Lecture: Nonverbal Communication/discussion Break 7:15-7:25 Group read pgs 140-43 miniquiz
6	10/03	Lecture: Practical Applications of Nonverbal Communication /discussion Break, Groups read pgs 187-94 CAT
7	10/10	miniquiz Lecture: Stages in Interpersonal Communications/discussions Break 7:15-7:25 Group read pgs 194-99
8	10/17	No Lecture In-class Mid-term CAT
9	10/24	Lecture Interpersonal Attractions/discussion Break Groups read pgs 81-89 miniquiz
10	10/7	Lecture: Language, Symbol and Meaning/discussion Break Groups read pgs 135-43 CAT
11	11/14	miniquiz Lecture: Functions of Nonverbal Communication/discussion Break Groups read pgs 187-194
12	11/21	Lecture: Stages in Interpersonal Relationships/discussion Break Groups read pgs 247-54 CAT
13	11/28/12	Lecture: Group Communication/discussion Break Groups read pgs 424-32 miniquiz
14	12/5/12	No Class Happy Thanksgiving!
15	12/12/12	Lecture: Intercultural Communication/discussion Break Take-home final
16		In-Class Final

NOTICE:

A student judged to have engaged in academic misconduct as defined in the "Academic Policies and Requirements" section of the Colorado Mountain College Student Handbook will, at a minimum, receive a "zero" for the work in question. The student may also be removed from the class, resulting in a failing grade. All student course material may be submitted to turnitin.com (or another anti-plagiarism program) at the instructor's discretion. "Academic Expectations," the "Student Code of Conduct and Judicial Process" and more information about academic misconduct can be found in the Student Handbook.

Students are responsible for course materials from assigned text(s) and reading, lectures, labs, and other assignments as required.

Attendance at all class meetings is expected.

Students with disabilities – As required by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, appropriate accommodations will be made for all students with documented disabilities. Students must turn in a Notification of Accommodation to all of their instructors at the beginning of each semester. With these accommodations, students are required to meet the academic standards of the college.

Students wishing to withdraw from this course must INITIATE the course withdrawal/drop process at the site Registration Office.

This class could be cancelled one week prior to the census date if a sufficient number of students are not enrolled by that date.

VI. Grading System & Options

Information about grading is available in the Colorado Mountain College catalog. You will receive a grade report for current semester courses at the end of each term. This grade report is mailed to your permanent mailing address. Reports are mailed approximately two weeks after the end of the academic term.

VII. Required Course Materials

Human Communication: The Basic Course, 12th Edition, DeVito, Joseph A.

VIII. Other Information: To be announced

IX. Virtual Library Information You will find online articles, books and other library resources on the following web site: <http://coloradomtn.edu/library/>.

Virtual Library Help Desk :If you need help with the Virtual Library, email reference@coloradomtn.edu or call 800-621-8559, extension 2926 or 2804.