SPEECH (SPCH)

SPCH 1A  Public Speaking
4 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 110)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 72
Prerequisite: Eligibility for ENGL 68

Study and apply rhetorical principles to research and analyze topics, write basic and advanced speech outlines, and deliver effective public speeches. Perform speaking and listening assignments that utilize effective verbal, vocal and physical communicative strategies, and critical thinking techniques. Students may not receive credit for both SPCH 1A and SPCH 1AH.

Course Schedule

SPCH 1AH  Public Speaking - Honors
4 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 110)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 72
Prerequisite: Acceptance into the Honors Program

Study and apply rhetorical principles to research and analyze topics, write basic and advanced speech outlines, and deliver effective public speeches. Perform speaking and listening assignments that utilize effective verbal, vocal and physical communicative strategies, and critical thinking techniques. An honors course designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both SPCH 1A and SPCH 1AH.

Course Schedule

SPCH 2  Fundamentals of Communication
4 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 72
Corequisite: ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH (can be taken previously)

Fundamental theories and competencies in interpersonal, small group, public speaking, and intercultural communication. Oral presentations are required.

Course Schedule

SPCH 3  Voice and Diction
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 54

Improvement of the speaking voice and oral communication style, including proper control and projection of the voice, vocal expressiveness, articulation, and pronunciation. Develops accuracy of sound production for standard American speech through use of the International Phonetic Alphabet. Emphasizes individual diagnosis and extensive oral practice.

Course Schedule

SPCH 4  Performance of Literature
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 170)
Lecture: 54

Theory, principles, and techniques of the performance of literature in solo and duo formats. Practical training in critical reading, editing, and performance of poetry, prose, drama, essay, and experimental forms of performance text drawn from a diverse range of cultural viewpoints and voices. Texts will include prose, poetry, drama, and nonfiction. Appreciation of various genres of literature through textual analysis, oral reading, and evaluation.

Course Schedule

SPCH 6  Group Communication
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 54

Theory, principles, application, and evaluation of group communication processes, including problem-solving, conflict management, decision making, and leadership.

Course Schedule

SPCH 7  Intercultural Communication
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 150)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 54

Theoretical dynamics of culture within communication contexts, and a practical exploration into improving intercultural communication competence for more effective interactions with others in a diverse society. Students may not receive credit for both SPCH 7 and SPCH 7H.

Course Schedule

SPCH 7H  Intercultural Communication - Honors
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 150)
Lecture: 54
Prerequisite: Acceptance into the Honors Program

Theoretical dynamics of culture within communication contexts, and a practical exploration into improving intercultural communication competence for more effective interactions with others in a diverse society. An honors course designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both SPCH 7 and SPCH 7H.

Course Schedule

SPCH 8  Professional and Organizational Speaking
4 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 72
Corequisite: ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH (may have been taken previously)

Speech communication principles as employed in organizations, including decision making, leadership, conflict resolution and communication networks as well as substantial skills development in preparing and delivering oral presentations within professional contexts and in the workplace. Oral presentations are required.

Course Schedule
SPCH 8H Professional and Organizational Speaking - Honors  
4 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU)  
Lecture: 72  
Prerequisite: Acceptance into the Honors Program  
Corequisite: ENGL 1A and ENGL 1AH (may be taken previously)  

Speech communication principles as employed in organizations, including decision making, leadership, conflict resolution and communication networks as well as substantial skills development in preparing and delivering oral presentations within professional contexts and in the workplace. Oral presentations are required. An honors course designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both SPCH 8 and SPCH 8H.  

Course Schedule  

SPCH 15 Forensics: Fundamentals of Contest Speech and Debate  
2 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, C-ID #: COMM 160B)  
(May be taken four times for credit)  
Lecture: 18  Lab: 54  
Advisory: SPCH 1A or SPCH 1AH  

Participation in one or more intramural competitions as part of the Mt. SAC Forensics Team. Instructions in preparatory procedures for these tournaments, including techniques in persuasive oratory, interpretation, expository, impromptu, speech analysis, and debate. Students have an opportunity to participate in public community programs. Tournament attendance required outside regularly scheduled class hours. Students who repeat this course will benefit from additional competition experiences.  

Course Schedule  

SPCH 16 Forensics: Individual Event Team  
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU)  
(May be taken four times for credit)  
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)  

Prerequisite: Admission by audition  

Speech performance skills and participation in multiple intercollegiate speaking competitions as members of the Mt. SAC Forensics Team. Auditions are held prior to the first week of class and are scheduled through the coaching staff. Tournament attendance required outside regularly scheduled class hours. Students who repeat this course will benefit from additional competition experiences.  

Course Schedule  

SPCH 17 Forensics: Debate Team  
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU)  
(May be taken four times for credit)  

Prerequisite: Admission by Audition  

Speaking and argumentation skills and participation in multiple intercollegiate speaking competitions as members of the Mt. SAC Forensics Team. Emphasis is on parliamentary debate and limited preparation speaking. Tournament attendance required outside regularly scheduled class hours. Students who repeat this course will benefit from additional competition experiences.  

Course Schedule  

SPCH 18 Forensics: Reader's Theater Team  
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU)  
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)  

Prerequisite: SPCH 15  

Speech performance skills and participation in multiple public performances, including a regional, state, or national-level forensics competition, as members of the Mt. SAC Forensics Team. Students will perform in one or more reader’s theater pieces. Tournament attendance required outside regularly scheduled class hours. Students who repeat this course will benefit from additional competition experiences.  

Course Schedule  

SPCH 20 Argumentation and Debate  
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 120)  
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)  
Lecture: 54  
Prerequisite: SPCH 1A or SPCH 1AH  

Rhetorical principles of argumentation in both theory and practice. Emphasis is given to rational discussion and reasoned advocacy.  

Course Schedule  

SPCH 20H Argumentation and Debate - Honors  
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 120)  
Lecture: 54  
Prerequisite: SPCH 1A or SPCH 1AH and acceptance into the Honors Program  

Rhetorical principles of argumentation in both theory and practice. Emphasis is given to rational discussion and reasoned advocacy. An honors course designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both SPCH 20 and SPCH 20H. Off-campus tournaments may be required.  

Course Schedule  

SPCH 26 Interpersonal Communication  
3 Units  (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 130)  
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)  
Lecture: 54  
Prerequisite: Eligibility for ENGL 68  

Dynamics of everyday one-to-one communication focusing on the roles behavior, psychology, and environment play in friendship, family, intimate, and workplace relationships. Factors that influence communication such as nonverbal cues, language, perception, culture, power dynamics, listening, self-concept, and health and personal well-being. Problems in relational communication and conflict management as well as adaptation and success in interpersonal effectiveness.  

Course Schedule
SPCH 26H Interpersonal Communication - Honors
3 Units (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 130)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 54
Prerequisite: Acceptance into the Honors Program

Dynamics of everyday one-to-one communication focusing on the roles
behavior, psychology, and environment play in friendship, family, intimate,
and workplace relationships. Factors that influence communication
such as nonverbal cues, language, perception, culture, power dynamics,
listening, self-concept, and health and personal well-being. Problems in
relational communication and conflict management as well as adaption
and success in interpersonal effectiveness. An honors course designed
to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for
both SPCH 26 and SPCH 26H.
Course Schedule

SPCH 30 Introduction to Communication Theory
3 Units (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: COMM 180)
(May be taken for option of letter grade or Pass/No Pass)
Lecture: 54
Corequisite: ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH (may be taken previously)
Advisory: READ 100

Prominent issues in communication theory, introduction to the
professional field of communication, and practice of multiple
research methods for students preparing for upper division study in
communication or related disciplines.
Course Schedule

SPCH 30H Introduction to Communication Theory - Honors
3 Units (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)
Lecture: 54
Prerequisite: Acceptance into the Honors Program
Corequisite: ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH (may be taken previously)
Advisory: READ 100

Prominent issues in communication theory, introduction to the
professional field of communication, and practice of multiple
research methods for students preparing for upper division study in
communication or related disciplines. Students may not receive credit for
both SPCH 30 and SPCH 30H. This course will be enhanced by requiring
each student to complete more substantial assignments related to these
topics.
Course Schedule

SPCH 99 Special Projects in Speech
0.5-2 Units (Degree Applicable, CSU)
Lecture: 9-36

Offers selected students recognition for their academic interests and
ability and the opportunity to explore their disciplines to greater depth,
the various departments from time to time offer special projects courses.
The content of each course and the methods of study vary from semester
to semester and depend on the particular project under consideration.
Course Schedule