

Introductions and Course Overview

• Introduction to Public Speaking and Public Speaking Competencies

Introduction Speeches

- Basic communication concepts processes, and models
- Communication concepts and principles and public speaking
- Steps and methods of speech preparation
- Ethics in public speaking

Listening and Speech Criticism

- Effective listening, the listening process, and types of listening
- Listening barriers; Identifying and improving listening styles
- Evaluating speech and effective speech techniques

Selecting and Topic and Knowing Your Audience

- Identifying sources
- Tools and techniques for selecting and refining speech topics



- Identifying speech purposes
- Central idea statement
- The central idea
- Audience analysis techniques

Speaking with a Purpose

• Informative, persuasive, and ceremonial speeches

Organizing and Outlining Your Speech

- Efficient organizational methods
- Good form in speech preparation
- Guidelines for organizing components and main points in a speech
- Patterns of organization
- Constructing an outline

Writing the Components of Your Speech

- Developing an effective introduction and conclusion;
- Good form in speech writing
- Stylistic devices
- Writing a well developed speech

Delivering Your Speech and Using Visual Aids

• The mechanics of verbal and nonverbal communication in speech delivery

- Modes of speech delivery
- Speaking style and language
- Effective delivery techniques
- Incorporating presentation aides