

Course Syllabus Cover Page - Spring 2021

Course Number: COMM 2350

Course Title: Interpersonal Communication

Course Description:

This course focuses on the process of interpersonal communication as a dynamic and complex system of interactions; it also provides theory, actual practice, and criticism for examining human interactions in work, family, and other social contexts.

<u>Prerequisites:</u> COMM1250; ENG1272 or concurrent enrollment.

Credit hours: 3

Learning Outcomes:

Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Define interpersonal communication.
- 2. Identify verbal and non-verbal modes of expression.
- 3. Understand the interpersonal communication process, its barriers, and its best practices.
- 4. Analyze the linguistic and bodily performances of people situated In a variety of social contexts.
- 5. Analyze relationships using theoretical and practical approaches to interpersonal communication.

Indiana Tech College of Professional Studies COMM2350 - Interpersonal Communication Online Syllabus Course Content

Instructor Information

Please see Professor Profile at the Blackboard instructional site.

Course Schedule

Please see Course Schedule in the Course Syllabus area of the Blackboard instructional site.

Online Course Policies

All of the online courses taken by students are required to follow the policies posted online at http://online.indianatech.edu/tech-policies/policies/. Please review the posted policies carefully. If you are unable to abide by the policies listed, please contact the Warrior Information Network (WIN) at 888.832.4742 and request to withdraw from this course.

Textbook

None.

Students are required to have access to a webcam on a computer for this course.

If you do not have a web camera on your computer, you can purchase one to connect to your computer: https://www.amazon.com/YoLuKe-Webcam-Camera-Absorption-Microphone/dp/B016MPIFWQ/ref=sr_1_5?keywords=web+camera&qid=1565095767&s=gateway&sr=8-5

Grading Events & Grading Criteria:

Unless otherwise specified, all assignments must be submitted via Blackboard.

Grading Events

Assessment	Quantity	Point Value	Total	% of Grade
Course Preparation Quiz	1	25	25	2%
Humans stories	6	20	120	12%
Relationship Analysis Presentations	5	500	500	49%
Final Presentation	1	200	200	19%
Assignments from Instructor (TBD)	3	60	180	18%
Total Points			1025	100%

Grading Criteria

Humans stories:

This assignment gives you practice in interviewing and getting to know people. Since this course focuses on relationships and communicating in those relationships, this assignment allows you to communicate with people to establish intimacy and trust. You will interview 2 different people in each even module, so you will present a total of 6 stories throughout Modules 2, 4, and 6. You will post the stories to the Facebook group, Indiana Tech Communication Program. Each story is worth 20 points. The assignment details can be found on Blackboard.

Relationship Analysis Presentations:

These presentations consist of various presentations that will apply the concepts learned thus far to a relationship that you have with someone. There is a Relationship Analysis Presentation due on the Sunday of Modules 1-5, and each Relationship Analysis Presentation is worth 100 points. The guidelines and rubric for each assignment are provided in Blackboard.

Final Presentation:

This assignment consists of a presentation that uses all of the concepts discussed throughout the course to analyze a famous dyad. This assignment is due the Sunday of Module 6 and is worth 200 points. The guidelines and rubric are on Blackboard.

Assignments from Instructor (TBD):

There are assignments in this course that are determined by the professor teaching the course. These assignments can vary, depending on who is teaching the course. There are assignments in Modules 1, 3, and 5, and each one is due on Sunday. Each assignment is worth 60 points. The instructor will communicate these assignments and the guidelines for each one in Blackboard.

Grading Scale

The following grading scale will be used to assign a grade at the end of the course:

Percentage	Grade	Percentage	Grade	Percentage	Grade
Achieved		Achieved		Achieved	
93% or above	A	80% or above	B-	70% or above	C-
90% or above	A-	77% or above	C+	60% or above	D
87% or above	B+	73% or above	С	Below 60%	F
83% or above	В				

Late Assignments

All assignments and required online activities are due according to the deadline listed in the course schedule. Granting deadline extension is the course instructor's autonomy.

Incompletes

If you are unable to complete the requirements for this course due to extenuating circumstances, an Incomplete grade (I) may be granted if you meet the general guidelines stated below.

General Guidelines for submitting a course incomplete request:

- More than 50% of the course session has elapsed.
- The student has encountered an unexpected situation that is beyond his or her control.
- The student is
 - o in good academic standing -- up-to-date on all of the course assignments and has at least an overall passing grade,
 - o able to complete all of the remaining coursework within a session (6 weeks for a undergraduate course and 6 weeks for a graduate course) that immediately follows the session the student is currently enrolled, and
 - o able to provide support documentations to substantiate the need for extra time should a session is not enough to complete the course requirements.

If an Incomplete is granted, the instructor will set a deadline for all work to be completed. **The deadline cannot go past one (1) session.** All incomplete grades and deadlines are subject to approval by the designated university authority.

Using Web Camera for Presentations

Each week, you will give a presentation to the class. You must use the web camera on your computer to record these presentations. There are instructions on Blackboard to help you do this. Please contact your instructor ASAP if you are struggling to record your presentations.

If a PowerPoint is required for the presentation, you do not need to show the PowerPoint during the recording of your presentation. However, you must submit the PowerPoint to Blackboard along with your presentation recording.

If you do not have a web camera on your computer, you can purchase one to connect to your computer: https://www.amazon.com/YoLuKe-Webcam-Camera-Absorption-Microphone/dp/B016MPIFWQ/ref=sr_1_5?keywords=web+camera&qid=1565095767&s=gateway&sr=8-5

Course Related Communication

Online courses are conducted in an accelerated format. Timely communication is very important. When receiving emails from your classmates or instructor, please respond as soon as you can.

Students are REQUIRED to use their Indiana Tech email account for all course related communication. The most direct, and effective, way to email your course instructor and classmates, is by using the Send Email function within the Blackboard course site. When you use the Send Email function, you automatically receive a carbon copy of the email

you sent. In the event when you need to substantiate your claim that you did email your classmates or instructor, you can show that carbon copy to the person(s) who requested it.

Please note that Blackboard only permits you to send email, it does not provide you with the check email function. All of the emails your classmates and instructor send to you will be delivered to your Indiana Tech email account. You are strongly encouraged to check your Indiana Tech email account regularly, preferably once a day, to minimize the likelihood of miscommunication.

The University policy requires each online course instructor to respond to a student's email within one business day. Unless there is an extraneous situation that prevents the instructor from following this rule, you can expect to hear from the instructor within one business day. If you don't receive a reply within one business day, please do not hesitate to follow up with another email or forward the carbon copy of the email you sent to OnlineSupport@IndianaTech.edu with a note "Please help. It's been one business day and I have not heard from my instructor" and the University support staff will act on your behalf to contact your course instructor.