SPEECH (SPCH)

Courses

SPCH 011. Effective Speaking. 3 Credits.
Fundamentals course in effective, informative, and persuasive public speaking and critical listening. Includes theory and practice.

SPCH 031. Argument & Decision. 3 Credits.
Inductive, deductive, causal, and analogical reasoning as applied to the speaking situation.

SPCH 051. Persuasion. 3 Credits.
Human motivation, attitudes, emotion, stereotypes, attention and audience psychology as applied in the speaking situation.

SPCH 071. Fundamentals of Debate. 3 Credits.
An introduction to intercollegiate debate, students learn basics of argumentation & national debate tournament/cross examination debate. Students travel to tournaments. Prerequisite: SPCH 011.

SPCH 072. Citizen Advocacy & Debate. 3 Credits.
This course explores citizen advocacy through the vehicle of debating. Students will engage in: preparatory research, in-class debating and discussion, debate adjudication, and public debate.

SPCH 082. African American Rhetoric. 3 Credits.
Through "Great Speakers" approach, this course utilizes rhetoric criticism to examine, attempt to understand & analyze the advocacy & discourse of African Americans throughout history.

SPCH 083. Rhetoric of Reggae Music. 3 Credits.
Course examines origins, characteristics, social phenomena, and messages found in African-Caribbean musical form: Reggae. Reggae music is examined as rhetorical and social movement.

SPCH 095. Introductory Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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SPCH 096. Introductory Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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SPCH 171. Advanced Debate. 3 Credits.
For students interested in competitive academic debate in the WUDC format. Course offers opportunities to advance debating skills by competing against other college debaters. Prerequisites: SPCH 071 or SPCH 072.

SPCH 181. Presidential Campaign Rhetoric. 3 Credits.
Students learn about theories, style, construction, strategies, and the criticism and evaluation of rhetoric as applied to the presidential campaign. Prerequisites: SPCH 011, SPCH 031, SPCH 051, SPCH 082, or SPCH 083.

SPCH 184. Rhetoric of Ivan Illich. 3 Credits.
Course focuses on the non-fiction works of Ivan Illich (1926-2002), who was an influential social critic and questioned the assumptions of our daily lives. Prerequisites: SPCH 011, SPCH 031, or SPCH 051.

SPCH 185. Rhetoric of Terrorism. 3 Credits.
Examines terrorism through the lens of rhetorical criticism. Students survey approaches to rhetorical criticism, using acquired skills to investigate the rhetoric of terrorism. Prerequisites: SPCH 011, SPCH 031, or SPCH 051.

SPCH 195. Intermediate Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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SPCH 196. Intermediate Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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SPCH 197. Readings and Research. 1-6 Credits.
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SPCH 198. Readings and Research. 1-6 Credits.
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SPCH 283. Seminar. 3 Credits.
Seminar topics include: Nonverbal Communication, Rhetorical Criticism, Advanced Argumentation, Advanced Persuasion, Debate, Interpersonal Communication in Group Interaction, Communication in Conflict Management. Prerequisites: Six hours of Speech, of which at least three hours must be at the 100 level. Fall only.

SPCH 284. Seminar. 3 Credits.
Seminar topics include: Nonverbal Communication, Rhetorical Criticism, Advanced Argumentation, Advanced Persuasion, Debate, Interpersonal Communication in Group Interaction, Communication in Conflict Management. Prerequisites: Six hours of speech, of which at least three hours must be at the 100 level. Spring only.

SPCH 295. Advanced Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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SPCH 296. Advanced Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
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SPCH 297. Readings and Research. 1-6 Credits.
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SPCH 298. Readings and Research. 1-6 Credits.
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