REQUIRED TEXT: The Art of Public Speaking by Stephen Lucas 9TH EDITION

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Public Speaking is an introduction to the theory and practice of oral communication. This course is designed to develop your confidence and competence in public speaking. By taking this course, you will learn how to construct, research, outline, organize, and analyze speeches. Through a series of oral presentations and activities, you will examine a variety of communication skills including public speaking, listening, organization, reasoning, problem solving, and language usage.

SLO Assessment: I will assess students using the dept. wide SLO form. The SLO form has no bearing on your grade.

CLO 1 Analyze information: Analyze information such as data, ideas, or concepts appropriately: Criteria is in text chapters: Researching your topic; Supporting Your Speech; The Ethics of Public Speaking; The Strategy of Persuasive Speaking; The Structure of Persuasion.

CLO 2. Speech Structure: Apply procedures and principles appropriately to format a speech. Criteria is in text chapters: Organizing the Body of Your Speech; Introducing and Concluding Your Speech; Outlining Your Speech; Speaking to Inform.

CLO 3. Conclusions and Evidence: Draw conclusions or solutions that are logical, and supported by evidence. Criteria is in text chapters: Researching your topic; Supporting Your Speech; The Ethics of Public Speaking; The Strategy of Persuasive Speaking; The Structure of Persuasion.

CLO 4. Physical presentation skills: Use appropriate gestures and body stance in an oral presentation. Criteria is in text chapters: Speaking Confidently; Delivering Your Speech.

CLO 5. Vocal presentation skills: Use appropriate vocal skills in an oral presentation. Criteria is in text chapters: Speaking Confidently; Wording your Speech; Delivering Your Speech.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

ATTENDANCE:

Students will be required to check in and actively participate in class discussions weekly on the etudes site. Aside from online participation and quizzes, students will also be required to deliver 3 speeches during the semester. Each one of these speeches must be delivered ON THE ELAC CAMPUS AT THE DESIGNATED TIME AND LOCATION LISTED UNDER THE ASSIGNMENTS, TESTS, AND SURVEYS TAB. All students are required to stay the entire 3 hours to watch classmate’s speeches.
You are REQUIRED to read the NOTES FROM INSTRUCTOR daily to see if there are any notes or messages. Because it is REQUIRED to read the NOTES FROM THE INSTRUCTOR, you will be held responsible for all assignments or notices posted there. At any point during the session, you can find out where you stand in the grade book by clicking. Finally, cheating, academic dishonesty, or plagiarism, will result in an automatic "F."

SPEECH POLICY:
There will be 3 major speeches (Informative, Persuasion, Oral Interp.)
Please double-check the due dates and times of all assignments. Note whether they are due at a SPECIFIC TIME on a SPECIFIC DAY. Don't get confused and think you have all day on that specific day. You may not.

Late assignments:
Due dates can be found in the schedule and assignments. No late assignments will be accepted. We do not have time for make-up speeches, if you did not do a speech for any reason your grade for that speech will be a zero.

To pass this class with a grade of C or better: To earn a C or higher in this class you must submit every major assignment (all speeches and the final). The college does not allow an incomplete grade or a Withdrawal to be awarded unless you have kept up with all assignments and then suddenly experience extenuating circumstances that prevent you from completing the rest of the assignments. If you are having trouble, let me know right away. Don't wait until the last minute, when it's too late to help you.

READINGS:
Daily reading assignments from the text are listed on the course schedule attached. Read the material because you will be tested over material from the book.

EXAMS:
Three exams with multiple choice and true/false questions will be given. Each exam will cover reading from the text and information covered in the learning modules.

SPECIAL NOTES:
- The university's policy on plagiarism will be strictly enforced. Plagiarism is literary thievery. It is taking the words and/or ideas of another and representing them as your own. Plagiarism may lead to an F in the course.
- If you are physically challenged or have a condition that could hamper your participation or performance in the course, it is your responsibility to notify the instructor immediately.

GRADING SCALE: A=90-100
B=80-89
C=70-79
D=60-69
F= 59 and below