# **Dakota County Technical College**

# **SPEE 1015: Fundamentals of Public Speaking**

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3 Lab Hours/Week: \*.\* OJT Hours/Week: \*.\* Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: Goal 01 - Communication

This speech course introduces students to the factors involved in becoming efficient communicators in both individual and group presentations. The course emphasis will be placed on audience analysis, research and organization, speech construction, and delivery techniques.

Meets MnTC Goal 1

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 07/01/2001 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

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# **D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)**

- 1. critique students' visual aids speeches
- 2. develop speaking confidence
- 3. analyze forms of support
- 4. deliver timed speeches in various areas that may include but are not limited to autobiographical, informative, persuasive, demonstration and impromtu speeches
- 5. demonstrate active listening skills
- 6. write outlines for identified speech in key word and/or full content formats
- 7. identify objectives of good speeches
- 8. critique students' timed informative speech
- 9. critique students' persuasive speeches
- 10. critique students' impromptu speeches
- 11. critique a demonstration speech
- 12. analyze vocal/video recordings
- 13. analyze the selection of topics
- 14. analyze the importance of body language
- 15. analyze the components of speeches
- 16. analyze stage fright
- 17. analyze speech outline methods
- 18. analyze speech delivery
- 19. deliver a timed demonstration speech
- 20. prepare note cards
- 21. write a works cited page for required speeches
- 22. understand the difference between formal and informal language usage in speeches
- 23. use methods to control stage fright
- 24. use language effectively
- 25. use group problem solving methods
- 26. use gestures, movement and eye contact
- 27. describe the importance of impromptu speaking
- 28. research document and use authoritative data in speeches
- 29. identify sources of information
- 30. practice vocal variety
- 31. practice positive body language
- 32. understand and demonstrate speech planning process
- 33. plan a group discussion
- 34. participate in a group discussion
- 35. identify various styles of listening

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## E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

Goal 01 - Communication

- 1. Understand/demonstrate the writing and speaking processes through invention, organization, drafting, revision, editing and presentation.
- 2. Participate effectively in groups with emphasis on listening, critical and reflective thinking, and responding.
- 3. Locate, evaluate, and synthesize in a responsible manner material from diverse souces and points of view.
- 4. Select appropriate communication choices for specific audiences.
- 5. Construct logical and coherent arguments.
- 6. Use authority, point-of-view, and individual voice and style in their writing and speaking.
- 7. Employ syntax and usage appropriate to academic disciplines and the professional world.

### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

#### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted

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