Communication as Critical Inquiry (COM 110) seeks to improve students’ abilities to express themselves and to listen to others in a variety of communication settings. Effective oral communication is viewed as an essential life skill that every person must possess in order to function in today’s society. The course emphasizes participation in a variety of communication processes in order to develop, reinforce, and evaluate communication skills appropriate for public, small group, and interpersonal settings. The course content and experiences will enable students to assume their responsibilities as speaker-listener-critic in a culturally diverse world. In short, the course is designed to make students competent, ethical, critical, confident, and information literate communicators.

## *COM 110 addresses the following General Education learning outcomes:*

**II. intellectual and practical skills, allowing students to**

a. make informed judgments

c. report information effectively and responsibly

e. deliver purposeful presentations that inform attitudes or behaviors

**III. personal and social responsibility, allowing students to**

*a. participate in activities that are both individually life-enriching and socially beneficial to a diverse community*

c. interact competently in a variety of cultural contexts

**IV. integrative and applied learning, allowing students to**

a. identify and solve problems

b. transfer learning to novel situations

c. work effectively in teams

Primary learning outcomes are indicated in plain text and secondary learning outcomes are indicated in italics.

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