

Grande Prairie Regional College
Department of Nursing Education and Rehabilitation Services

Communications 155 -- Course Outline -- Winter 1992

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Texts Required:

- Adler and Towne: Looking Out, Looking In -- Interpersonal Communication, (Sixth Edition), Holt, Rinehart, and Winston.
- Various literature provided by the instructor.

Course Description and Objectives:

Communications 155 is a continuation of COM 105 and has as its primary objective the improvement of written and oral communication skills. This course will also take an indepth look at the characteristics and components of interpersonal communication including self-concept, perception, emotions, language, nonverbal messages, listening vs hearing, intimacy and distance in relationships, communication climates and resolving interpersonal conflicts. As in COM 105, there is an expectation that through learning and practice, students will improve their ability to communicate, and thus enhance their effectiveness in their profession.

Course Evaluation:

Quizzes and Exams	30%
Written assignments	40%
Oral presentations	05%
Class participation	10%
Final Exam	15%

Assignments:

Three unit quizzes and a final exam based on Looking Out/Looking In and lecture material.
Proposal writing assignment.
Term paper.
Newspaper article/ magazine/ periodical critiques.
Selected readings and accompanying assignments.
Oral Presentation.

Course Format:

COM 155 consists of three hours of classwork weekly. Lectures, discussion, exercises in composition, presentations and oral participation are all potential parts of the classroom format.

Course Policy:

- Attendance is not mandatory; however, attendance will be taken at each class.
- Assignments are due on the dates set by the instructor. Only under exceptional circumstances and by discussion with the instructor will assignments be accepted late. It should be understood that a mark of (0) zero will be recorded if you fail to turn in an assignment on the due date.
- Plagiarism is an offence with serious consequences.