

CMS 220...Interpersonal Communications
Summer 2016 3 Credit Hours
May 23rd – July 23rd, 2016
(Wednesdays)

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Course Description:

This course focuses upon the nature and influence of communicative behavior in close, personal relationships. Interpersonal communication structure and processes will be explored as they relate to the development and maintenance of identities, friendships, romantic, and family relationships.

Course Objectives:

Through thorough examination and discussion of theoretical study and practice of communication exercises, at the end of this course, each participant should:

1. Establish effective interpersonal, intrapersonal, and group communication
2. Know the techniques for improvement of communication skills
3. Be able to assess his/her communication skills
4. Become aware of barriers to effective communication
5. Be aware of different perceptions and possibilities for interpretation of communication

Text:

Communicate! A Workbook for Interpersonal Communication.

Communication Research Associates. 7th Edition. Kendall/Hunt Publishing Co. 2004.
ISBN: 0-7575-1332-8

Workbooks must be purchased new.
Used workbooks will not be acceptable for this course.
You must have your workbook with you
for every class meeting!

IMPORTANT NOTE: New regulations under the Higher Education Act require us to verify the identity of a person doing work in a class if we receive assignments, etc. from that student electronically. We can comply with this regulation if our students submit things to teachers electronically from their Doane College e-mail address or through Blackboard, because the college issued that address, ID, and password. For that reason, I can only send assignments to your Doane e-mail address, and I can only accept assignments submitted to me from your Doane e-mail address.

Class One: MAY 25TH WEDNESDAY

***Bring Yourself and Your Workbook
No assignment prior to first class!***

***FIRST CLASS WILL BE A
FULL CLASS – PLAN ON STAYING LATE***

Introductions & Name Tags

Items to cover:

Attendance, participation, presentation and workbook = grade

Doane email – see **IMPORTANT NOTE ON PAGE ONE**

Weather

Workbook - discussion

Plan A and Plan B answers

Classroom Rules – NO CELL PHONES, communication rules,
confidentiality

Breaks will be given but always based on where we are at in the
activities and discussion

**Watch movie – You must see movie. We will discuss every week. If
you miss the first class, you will need to make arrangements with
me to see the movie at Doane before the second class.**

You will get the rest of the syllabus the first night of class.