



**Speech 1318 - 302CL (3570)**  
**Interpersonal Communication**  
**Fall, 2022**  
**Tuesday/Thursday 7:00 am to 8:30 am**

**Instructor Information:** Joseph A. Willis, [jwillis7@com.edu](mailto:jwillis7@com.edu), 432-664-1175

**Student hours and location:** Tuesday/Thursday 7:00 am to 8:30 am

**Required Textbook/Materials:** Beebe, S.A., Beebe, S.J., & Redmond, M.A. (2021)  
**Interpersonal Communication: Relating to Others.** Boston: Pearson Education, Inc.

**Course Description:** Class deals with interpersonal relations in various contexts.

**Course requirements:** Attendance, Assignments, and Performances.

**Determination of Course Grade/Detailed Grading Formula:** Objective and Subjective Criteria will be used to evaluate student performance in this class.

No extra credit is offered in this class. Makeup is allowed if a student has a medical emergency (Doctor's note is required before the work can be done.) If the student misses classes because he is representing College of the Mainland, They can make up the work. (Documentation is required.) A death in the family or other extreme emergency will be an acceptable excuse and make up will be allowed in this case. Students must communicate with the instructor in a timely manner in all these situations.

**Attendance Policy:** I expect all students to attend all classes. Attendance is graded.

**Communicating with your instructor:** ALL electronic communication with the instructor must be through your COM email. Due to FERPA restrictions, faculty cannot share any information about performance in the class through other electronic means. (Faculty may add additional statement requiring monitoring and communication expectations via Blackboard or other LMS)

<b>Students will exhibit understanding of Interpersonal theories and principles</b>	<b>Critical Thinking</b>	<b>Final Film Analysis Power Point Presentation</b>
1. Students will demonstrate ability to analyze and critique verbal and nonverbal in mediated and face to face contexts	Critical Thinking and Communication Skills	Quizzes and exams
1. Students will identify perceptual processes as they relate to self and others.	Critical Thinking	Quizzes and exams
Students will demonstrate critical thinking ability by effectively researching, evaluating, and applying communication theories in oral and or written assignments.	Critical Thinking	Quizzes and exams
Students will demonstrate understanding of the relevance of cross-cultural, co-cultural , gender and age influences on human communication.	Personal Responsibility	Final Film Analysis Power Point Presentation
Students will demonstrate the ability to identify, evaluate, and apply conflict styles, and conflict management techniques in dyads and or groups	Teamwork	Projects #1 and #2

**Academic Dishonesty: I will not accept academic Dishonesty in my class. Students caught breaking these rules will receive a zero on that assignment.**

**Student Concerns:** If you have any questions or concerns about any aspect of this course, please contact me using the contact information previously provided. If, after discussing your concern with me, you continue to have questions, please contact Dr Brian Anderson, Humanities Department Chair, at 409-933-8186, banderson@com.edu

**Course outline:** SCHEDULE IS TENTATIVE AND MAY CHANGE!

Course Introduction/Orientation

Assign Project #1

Lecture Chapter 1

Lecture Chapter 2

Lecture Chapter 3

Quiz #1

Lecture Chapter 4

Lecture Chapter 5

Lecture Chapter 6

Quiz #2

Review Midterm

Midterm Test

Project #1 Presentation Due

Assign Project 2

Lecture Chapter 7

Lecture Chapter 8

Lecture Chapter 9

Quiz #3

Lecture Chapter 10

Lecture Chapter 11

Lecture Chapter 12

Quiz #4

Project 2 Due

Final Exam

### **Institutional Policies and Guidelines**

**Grade Appeal Process:** Concerns about the accuracy of grades should first be discussed with the instructor. A request for a change of grade is a formal request and must be made within six months of the grade assignment. Directions for filing an appeal can be found in the student handbook. <[https://build.com.edu/uploads/sitecontent/files/student-services/Student\\_Handbook\\_2019-2020v5.pdf](https://build.com.edu/uploads/sitecontent/files/student-services/Student_Handbook_2019-2020v5.pdf). *An appeal will not be considered because of general dissatisfaction with a grade, penalty, or outcome of a course. Disagreement with the instructor's professional judgment of the quality of the student's work and performance is also not an admissible basis for a grade appeal.* [https://build.com.edu/uploads/sitecontent/files/student-services/Student\\_Handbook\\_2019-2020v5.pdf](https://build.com.edu/uploads/sitecontent/files/student-services/Student_Handbook_2019-2020v5.pdf)

**Academic Success & Support Services:** College of the Mainland is committed to providing students the necessary support and tools for success in their college careers. Support is offered through our Tutoring Services, Library, Counseling, and through Student Services. Please discuss any concerns with your faculty or an advisor.

**ADA Statement:** Any student with a documented disability needing academic accommodations is requested to contact Michelle Brezina at 409-933-8124 or [mvaldez@com.edu](mailto:mvaldez@com.edu). The Office of Services for Students with Disabilities is located in the Student Success Center.

**Textbook Purchasing Statement:** A student attending College of the Mainland is not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from the college-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.

**Withdrawal Policy:** Students may withdraw from this course for any reason prior to the last eligible day for a “W” grade. Before withdrawing students should speak with the instructor and consult an advisor. Students are permitted to withdraw only six times during their college career by state law. The last date to withdraw from the 1<sup>st</sup> 8-week session is March 2. The last date to withdraw from the 16-week session is April 25. The last date to withdraw for the 2<sup>nd</sup> 8-week session is May 4.

**F<sub>N</sub> Grading:** The F<sub>N</sub> grade is issued in cases of *failure due to a lack of attendance*, as determined by the instructor. The F<sub>N</sub> grade may be issued for cases in which the student ceases or fails to attend class, submit assignments, or participate in required capacities, and for which the student has failed to withdraw. The issuing of the F<sub>N</sub> grade is at the discretion of the instructor. The last date of attendance should be documented for submission of an F<sub>N</sub> grade.

**Early Alert Program:** The Student Success Center at College of the Mainland has implemented an Early Alert Program because student success and retention are very important to us. I have been asked to refer students to the program throughout the semester if they are having difficulty completing assignments or have poor attendance. If you are referred to the Early Alert Program you will be contacted by someone in the Student Success Center who will schedule a meeting with you to see what assistance they can offer in order for you to meet your academic goals.

**COVID-19 Statement:** All students, faculty, and staff are expected to familiarize themselves with materials and information contained on the College of the Mainland’s Coronavirus Information site at [www.com.edu/coronavirus](http://www.com.edu/coronavirus). In compliance with Governor Abbott's May 18 Executive Order, face coverings/masks will no longer be required on COM campus. Protocols and college signage are being updated. We will no longer enforce any COM protocol that requires face coverings. We continue to encourage all members of the COM community to distance when possible, use hygiene measures, and get vaccinated to protect against COVID-19. Please visit [com.edu/coronavirus](http://com.edu/coronavirus) for future updates.