

# Speech

Degree: A.A. - Language & Literature  
See:  
(Communication--Sacramento City College)  
(Communication Studies--Cosumnes River College  
and Folsom Lake College)

Area: Humanities  
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The number-one skill identified by employers is the ability to communicate clearly in both oral and written form. The number-two skill identified by employers is the ability to work effectively as a member of a team. Speech courses can help provide good communications skills so important in the workplace.

## Requirements for Degree Major: 24 units

Core Requirements	Units
ENGWR 300 or ENGWR 480	3
ENGWR 301 or ENGWR 481 or SPEECH 301	3
and 18 units of transfer level course work from the following subjects: composition, speech, foreign language, journalism, literature. Up to six units may be in humanities or philosophy.	

## General Education Graduation Requirement

Students must also complete the general education graduation requirements for an A.A. degree. See general education requirements

## SPEECH 301 Speech Communication 3 Units

Formerly: SPEE 1  
Prerequisite: None  
Course Transferable to UC/CSU  
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This is a course in oral composition and delivery. It focuses on the organization of supporting materials, methods of securing interest, and the presentation of information and ideas in oral communication situations typically found in the business and social community. Video taping equipment may be used as an aid to the student's self-analysis and improvement. (CAN SPCH 4) AA/AS area 3D2; CSU area A1; IGETC area 1.

## SPEECH 302 Persuasive Speech 3 Units

Formerly: SPEE 2  
Prerequisite: SPEECH 301.  
Course Transferable to UC/CSU  
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is a detailed study emphasizing persuasive discourse through an understanding of basic communication principles. Emphasis will be placed on the use of proofs, language and logical thinking. Video taping equipment may be used as an aid to the student's self-analysis and improvement. CSU area A3.

## SPEECH 305 Oral Interpretation 3 Units

Formerly: SPEE 5  
Prerequisite: None  
Course Transferable to UC/CSU  
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is an analysis and oral performance of prose and poetry with a focus on the communication of the literature's intellectual, emotional and aesthetic content. This course is designed to deepen appreciation of literary forms, structure and values. This is not a course in reading improvement. AA/AS area 3B; CSU area C2.

## SPEECH 311 Argumentation and Debate 3 Units

Formerly: SPEE 3  
Prerequisite: None  
Course Transferable to UC/CSU  
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course focuses on the theory, methods and application of argumentation and debate. It considers the use of evidence and appeals in the advocacy of dissenting propositions. (CAN SPCH 6) CSU area A3.

## SPEECH 321 Interpersonal Communication 3 Units

Formerly: SPEE 10  
Prerequisite: None  
Course Transferable to CSU  
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course focuses on personal communication transactions with emphasis on the acquisition of techniques and skills essential to self-actualization and to establishing authentic relationships. Through simulated communication experiences and structured exercises, the student may experiment with a variety of alternative communication behaviors. (CAN SPCH 8) AA/AS area E2; CSU area E1.

## SPEECH 323 Listening 3 Units

Formerly: SPEE 6  
Prerequisite: None  
Course Transferable to CSU  
Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course focuses on the listener in communication. The student will learn about the variables in listening and will learn to listen for a variety of purposes, such as listening for helping others, listening for critical evaluation, listening for content, and listening for aesthetic pleasure. The student will work for competence in listening skills in both formal and professional settings.

### **SPEECH 325 Intercultural Communication 3 Units**

Formerly: SPEE 14

Prerequisite: None

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This class is an introduction to the challenges and rewards of intercultural communication in everyday situations. The course is designed to increase understanding of variations and commonalities in communication patterns across cultures and prepare students for more effective communication. Emphasis is on both international cultural variance and subcultural or group-based experiential background variance. AA/AS area 3F.

### **SPEECH 331 Group Discussion 3 Units**

Formerly: SPEE 15

Prerequisite: None

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is designed to increase students' understanding of group communication and to prepare students to function more effectively in groups. Focus is on communication in task and social groups. The subject matter deals with communication concepts and behaviors in problem-solving, decision-making, leadership, group roles, norms and conformity. Several written group analyses and one major research paper are required in most sections. (CAN SPCH 10) AA/AS area 3D2; CSU area A1; IGETC area 1.

### **SPEECH 363 Introduction to Communication Theory 3 Units**

Formerly: SPEE 8

Prerequisite: None

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course is an introduction to the symbolic process of human communication through the study of basic communication models, fundamental theory, and relevant research findings, including the intrapersonal, and sociocultural levels. Emphasis will be on achieving an understanding of the communication process, its component elements, and its significance in human affairs.

### **SPEECH 371 Voice and Diction 3 Units**

Formerly: SPEE 7

Prerequisite: None

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course focuses on the overall improvement of vocal quality. Emphasis is on drills involving breath control, resonance, pitch and inflection thereby developing confidence in speaking. The International Phonetic Alphabet will be studied. This course is not recommended for special therapy or as a second language speech course. (CAN DRAM 6)

### **SPEECH 373 Forensics Laboratory 2 Units**

Formerly: SPEE 4

Prerequisite: None

Course Transferable to CSU

Hours: 108 hours LAB

This course is a laboratory course giving practice in preparing for and participating in the Students Speaker's Bureau and intercollegiate competition. This course may be taken four times for credit.