



South Central College

Comm 160 Practicum in Forensics Competition

Course Outcome Summary

Course Information

Description	Forensics is an activity where students will be able to learn more about the process of human communication through actively engaging and performing in public address, oral interpretation, limited preparation and debate competition with colleges and universities from across the nation. Each week students will participate in lessons, workshops and coaching sessions that will assist them in preparing for intercollegiate competition. (MNTC 1: Communication) (MNTC 6: The Humanities and Fine Arts) Prerequisites: Reading Comprehension Score of 78 or completion of READ 0090.
Total Credits	2
Total Hours	32

Types of Instruction

Instruction Type

Credits/Hours

Lecture

Pre/Corequisites

Reading Comprehension Score of 78 or completion of READ 0090

Institutional Core Competencies

Critical and Creative Thinking - Students will be able to demonstrate purposeful thinking with the goal of using a creative process for developing and building upon ideas and/or the goal of using a critical process for the analyzing and evaluating of ideas.

Course Competencies

1. Develop and improve presentational speaking and performance skills

Learning Objectives

- Perform a variety of speeches in numerous performance situations.
- Learn to conduct judge and audience analysis to improve competitive presentations.
- Incorporate various delivery styles applicable to competition situations.

2. Utilize argumentative thinking skills as they specifically apply to competitive norms.

Learning Objectives

- Incorporate advanced research skills applicable to competitive event

Conduct appropriate organizational patterns applicable to competitive norms

3. Demonstrate an understanding of the complexities of literature used for competition.

Learning Objectives

Utilize author's intent in determining the focus of a literary selection.
Compose detailed arguments about the interpretation of a literary selection.
Comprehend the nature of the various literary competitive genres and forms.

4. Establish and hone interpersonal communication skills.

Learning Objectives

Develop teamwork skills in a group context.
Develop realistic attitudes toward competition through competing responsibly and ethically in an intellectual environment.

5. Acquire an understanding of how the course may be applicable to the student in promoting greater self understanding and self improvement.

Learning Objectives

Examine the course content and practical experiences within the terms of your own life.
Articulate how the knowledge gained in the course changed or improved your own thinking and behavior.

6. Assess and critique performances.

Learning Objectives

Present all performances with a clear understanding of the competitive genre.
Display an understanding of utilizing coaching and judges comments to revise and enhance all aspects of a performance.

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