COM 691 – Spring 2006

Seminar in Organizational Communication

Syllabus

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Hours: TBA

Description

This class surveys current perspectives and issues in organizational communication. After looking at historical trends in organizational communication theory and research, we will study a variety of current topics from research in the last 5 years, then turn to several “hot” topics that may significantly impact organizational communication research in coming years. (3 credits; SLN: 87743)

Readings


- Articles as assigned on the calendar. Readings are due on the day they are listed.

Evaluation


Bloging Assignment: 100 pts.

Participation (current literature section): 50 pts.

Grading will be based on standard percentages adopted by the School. The presumptive grade for all work is “B” which indicates a very good work. To get a grade in the “A” range you must demonstrate excellence in your work in some clear way. For research papers, a higher grade than B is unlikely unless it has undergone review and revision.
Academic Integrity and Other Policies

- Students are expected to submit their own original work for this class, quoting and making appropriate citations for the work of others, and otherwise conforming to the HDSHC Academic Integrity Policy. Plagiarism or other academic dishonesty will result in a failing grade for the course and referral to the appropriate academic standards bodies on campus.

- Students are expected to attend all class meetings, and to get catch-up materials from classmates if they miss. If you must miss class, let me know in advance.

- Due dates for all assignments are firm. If you need an extension, you must negotiate it with me in advance.

- I will not award grades of incomplete except in cases of bona fide calamity and then only if it is negotiated in advance.

Calendar

January 22 – Sound the Alarm!

January 29 -- Millennial Angst


February 5 – Pre-80s org comm


February 12 – 80s org comm


February 19 – 90s org comm


February 26 – Present perspectives

May & Mumby thru Ch 6.

March 5 – Present perspectives cont’d

May & Mumby Ch. 7 thru end
March 12 – SPRING BREAK

March 19 – New Millennium Macro: Structure and macro systems part I
   See separate proposed readings list

March 26 – New Millennium Macro: Systems part II
   See separate proposed readings list

April 2 – New Millennium Micro: Traditional Themes
   See separate proposed readings list

April 9 – New Millennium Micro: Discourse, Identity, and Identification
   See separate proposed readings list

April 16 – Developing Areas: Networks and Counterterrorism


April 23 – Developing Areas: Text Analysis, Activity and Narrative (Guest: Parsons)


April 30 – Developing Areas: Topics/Readings TBA

Final Exam Period – Developing Areas: Complexity (Guest: Dooley)

