

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

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Insight

Communication Studies (CMST) is the place to tell your story. The program features excellent faculty, exciting student clubs, and an award-winning speech and debate team. Find your voice in a communication minor. Help people understand each other with a degree in organizational communication. Tell the world about it with a degree in public affairs. Take your experience to the next level with a Master of Arts in Communication. Regardless of your path, you will find opportunities to tell your story by studying communication.

Experience

Our students are simply the best. They come from diverse backgrounds and all walks of life. In studying communication, they often find paths to student government, Greek leadership, and professional success as undergraduates. The degree program affords students the kind of flexibility they need to make an impact while they are students rather than waiting to graduate.

Outlook

CMST graduates are loud and proud at graduation and beyond. Our amazing graduates are financially successful in careers like recruiting and sales. They change the world by studying law and writing legislation. They care for their communities in leadership roles in health care and the nonprofit sector. They also change their minds after graduation, but with a versatile degree like communication studies, they have the skills to do anything.

Come join an outstanding program, change the world, and tell your story with Communication Studies.

Programs

Undergraduate

Bachelor's

- Communication Studies BA (<https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/college-communication-education/communication-studies/communication-studies-ba/>)

Minors

- Communication Studies Minor (<https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/college-communication-education/communication-studies/communication-studies-minor/>)

Graduate

Master's

- Communication Studies MA (<https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/college-communication-education/communication-studies/communication-studies-ma/>)

See Course Description Symbols and Terms (<https://catalog.csuchico.edu/academic-standards-policies/course-description-symbols-terms/>) for an explanation of course description terminology and symbols, the course numbering system, and course credit units.

CMST 131 Speech Communication Fundamentals **3 Units GE**
Typically Offered: Fall and spring

Effective oral communication. Introduction to human communication theory. Practice in gathering, organizing, and presenting material in speeches to persuade, inform, and interest. 2 hours discussion, 1 hour lecture. (002206)

General Education: Oral Communication (A1)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division

CMST 132 Small Group Communication **3 Units GE**
Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course examines communication in small group processes such as group development, group climate, leadership and roles, problem solving, and conflict. Student participate in a small group and practice gathering, organizing, and presenting research-based group speeches. 3 hours discussion. (002208)

General Education: Oral Communication (A1)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division

CMST 133 Speech and Debate Practicum **1 Unit**
Typically Offered: Fall and spring

Using speeches developed for other communication classes, students will compete in a speech tournament held on a weekend designated at the beginning of each semester. Students will practice public speaking, argumentation and debate skills and will receive written feedback from a minimum of two different critics. This course is for students without any previous competitive public speaking experience. 1 hour lecture. (002209)

Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 2 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division

CMST 139A Forensics **1 Unit**
Typically Offered: Fall and spring

See description for CMST 139C below. 3 hours activity. (002212)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 8 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division

CMST 139B Forensics **2 Units**
Typically Offered: Fall and spring

See description for CMST 139C below. 3 hours activity, 1 hour discussion. (002213)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 8 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division

CMST 139C Forensics **3 Units**
Typically Offered: Fall and spring

Supervised preparation for participating in intercollegiate contests in debate, persuasion, informative speaking, oral interpretation, speeches to entertain, and similar events. No more than 8 units of Forensics (CMST 139 or CMST 339) may be counted toward total University requirements. 3 hours activity, 2 hours discussion. (002214)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units

Course Attributes: Lower Division

CMST 198 Special Topics**1-3 Units****Typically Offered:** Inquire at department

This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 1 hour discussion. (001998)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course more than once**Course Attributes:** Lower Division**CMST 233 Foundations of Interpersonal Communication****3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

An introduction to the study of one-to-one relationships, focusing on the experience, behavior, and rules governing such interpersonal contexts as friendships, families, and employer-employee relations. Factors influencing communication are studied, such as language, perception, non-verbal, power, status, and roles. Problems of communication are identified and studied. Confidence in relating interpersonally is handled. 3 hours discussion. (002219)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Lower Division**CMST 234 Gender and Communication****3 Units GE****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Using both cognitive and experiential models, this course explores the relationships between gender and communication. Discussions focus on such topics as self-perceptions and images of men and women, language used by and about men and women, self-disclosure and self-assertion as communicative acts, gender differences in information processing and non-verbal communication, private and public contexts for gender communication, and gender communication in organizations. 3 hours discussion. (021189)

General Education: Humanities (C2)**Grade Basis:** Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Lower Division**CMST 235 Intercultural Communication Theories and Practice****3 Units GE, USD****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Focus is on the problems of communication between cultural groupings inside and outside of the US. Various historical and political contexts in which intercultural communication occurs are examined. 3 hours discussion. (021193)

General Education: Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (E)**Grade Basis:** Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Lower Division; US Diversity**CMST 255 Argumentation and Debate****3 Units GE****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Study of the nature of argument, including methods of analysis, research, patterns and fallacies of reasoning, use and tests of evidence, refutation, and debate as a practical application of argumentation. 3 hours discussion. (002221)

General Education: Critical Thinking (A3)**Grade Basis:** Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Lower Division**CMST 330 Introduction to Communication Studies****3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course introduces students to the communication studies major or minor. It reviews and discusses the major theories, research, and related principles of the field to create general awareness for students new to the communication discipline and emphasizes the practical and professional applications of the field, enabling students to make connections among the discipline, their daily life, and potential career choices. 3 hours lecture. (002001)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 331W Communication Scholarship (W)****3 Units W****Prerequisite:** Completion of GE Written Communication (A2) requirement; CMST majors and minors only.**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Writing skills course for communication studies majors that addresses issues in communication scholarship, including practical applications of theory and research in communication, communication journals and the publication process, how to conduct a scholarly literature review, how to write a scholarly research paper in communication studies, and how to write on a professional level. 3 hours lecture. (002216)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division; Writing Course**CMST 332 Communication Research****3 Units****Prerequisite:** CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W all with a grade of C- or higher.**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Examination, evaluation, and application of scientific methods of communication behavior analysis, especially those directly applicable to human communication. 3 hours lecture. (002023)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 339A Forensics****1 Unit****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

See description for CMST 339C below. 3 hours activity. (002225)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 8 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 339B Forensics****2 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

See description for CMST 339C below. 3 hours activity, 1 hour discussion. (002226)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 8 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 339C Forensics****3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Supervised preparation for participating in intercollegiate contests in debate, persuasion, informative speaking, oral interpretation, speeches to entertain, and similar events. No more than 8 units of Forensics (CMST 139 or CMST 339) may be counted toward total University requirements. 3 hours activity, 2 hours discussion. (002227)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division

CMST 350 Foundations of Rhetorical Communication Theories and Practice 3 Units

Prerequisite: CMST 131, CMST 330, and CMST 331W with a grade of C- or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

Study of representative theories of rhetoric from classical to modern times. Emphasis is on continuing questions, trends, developments, and influence upon contemporary thought, and practical applications of theory to understanding and performing rhetorical criticism. 3 hours lecture. (002217)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 360 Health Communication 3 Units

Typically Offered: Fall only

This course introduces learners to the exciting study and practice of Health Communication. By the end of the course learners will have a solid understanding of the communicative perspective and practical underpinnings that frame our experiences as both consumers, providers, and bystanders of health information and health care. Current Health Communication practitioner career paths and applications are explored. Learners read across disciplinary and cultural perspectives, with attention paid to health disparities that cut across health experiences. The core of our attention, and learner energy and efforts, focuses on health communicative phenomena, sensemaking processes, and practices. 3 hours discussion. (022327)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 370 Introduction to Organizational Communication 3 Units

Prerequisite: CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W with a grade of C- or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

The study and survey of major content areas of organizational communication theory and research. Contemporary theories related to organizational environments are reviewed with an emphasis on technology in organizations and its relationship to communication process. Content areas include ethics, networks, diversity and cultures, changing employer-employee relations, feedback, groups, home-workplace tensions, and various emerging topics in the field. 3 hours discussion. (002222)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 382 Advanced Communication and Career Skills 3 Units

Prerequisite: CMST 131, CMST 132, CMST 330 all with a grade of C- or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

The course is designed for junior level communication studies majors to develop advanced public speaking skill while working concurrently on knowledge development in general career environments and/or specific professional contexts. Potential career choices and strategies for the communication major are identified and explored. This course challenges the student to prepare for the post graduation goals via knowledge accumulation, skill advancement, and development of communication competence. 3 hours discussion. (002244)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 384 Advanced Interviewing Skills 3 Units

Prerequisite: CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W all with a grade of C- or higher; CMST 132 for CMST majors or by faculty permission for non-majors.

Corequisites: CMST 370.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course extends students' interviewing knowledge and experience beyond job search interviews into complex contexts such as focus groups, needs assessments, performance appraisals, and employee counseling and disciplinary action. Attention is given to listening and nonverbal behavior in interview contexts, interview development and management, facilitation skills for group interviews, and analysis and interpretation of interview data. Technology as a medium for interviews is also explored. 3 hours discussion. (002248)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 389 Internship in Com Studies 1-3 Units

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

3 hours lecture. (002232)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 15 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 398 Special Topics 1-3 Units

Typically Offered: Inquire at department

This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 1 hour discussion. (002020)

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course more than once

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 399 Special Problems 1-3 Units

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is an independent study of special problems offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. Special projects (research or production) in communication study. 9 hours supervision. (002234)

Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 424 Public Opinion and Propaganda 3 Units

Prerequisite: CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, CMST 350 with a grade of C- or higher for CMST majors only.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

Analysis of major factors in group and individual opinion formation, with emphasis on politics, opinion measurement, and the role of mass media in the political process. 3 hours lecture. (002029)

Cross listing(s): JOUR 424, POLS 424

Grade Basis: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 428 Politics and the Media**3 Units****Prerequisite:** CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, and CMST 350 with a grade of C- or higher for CMST majors only.**Typically Offered:** Fall only

An examination of the relationships of politics and the mass media. Topics may include politics, visual rhetoric, the public sphere studies, media analysis, public policy decisions, political media campaigns, and social movements. 3 hours seminar. (002246)

Cross listing(s): JOUR 428, POLS 428**Grade Basis:** Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 452W Freedom of Speech (W)****3 Units W, GW****Prerequisite:** GE Written Communication (A2) requirement; CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, CMST 350, and CMST 370 with a grade of C- or higher; for CMST majors or by faculty permission for non-majors.**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Study of freedom of speech, with attention to issues of dissent and responsible communication. 3 hours discussion. (020262)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division; Writing Course; Graduation Writing Assessment**CMST 453 Persuasion & Rhetoric****3 Units****Prerequisite:** CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, CMST 350, and CMST 370 with a grade of C- or higher for CMST majors.**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Theories of persuasion from rhetorical perspectives, focusing on the political, economic, and cultural aspects of persuasive discourses. This course aims to develop students' abilities as an observer and informed practitioner of persuasive communication. 3 hours discussion. (002220)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 460 Applied Research in Health Communication****3 Units****Prerequisite:** CMST 330, CMST 331W for CMST majors only.**Typically Offered:** Spring only

Students in this course build a unique perspective to understanding interactions around health and well-being, as they engage personal interests with communication and other related disciplinary perspectives. Students design and execute research projects around current topics and issues in the broader forum of health-related practices and services with special attention paid to the ways that culture and diversity informs and influences how we understand, study, and influence the status of health, at both the individual and collective levels. Research approaches will be inclusive of quantitative, qualitative, and rhetorical methods and analyses. A team-based approach will be used to expand student understanding and experience, while developing competency for collaboration and multi-disciplinary research work. 3 hours discussion. (022328)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 470 Organizational Communication Theories****3 Units****Prerequisite:** CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, and CMST 370 with a grade of C- or higher for CMST majors or by faculty permission for non-majors.**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

In-depth theoretical approaches and research perspectives are studied from the field of organizational communication. Theories studied include classical to modern theories of organization, as well as contemporary and critical theories in the communication field. Research areas reviewed include network analysis, socialization, control practices, and others. Application of theory into research is also explored. 3 hours lecture. (002030)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division**CMST 472W Organizational Leadership and Decision Making (W)****3 Units W, GW****Prerequisite:** GE Written Communication (A2) requirement, CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, and CMST 370 with a grade of C- or higher; CMST 132 for CMST majors or by faculty permission for non-majors.**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course represents an advanced exploration and application of leadership and associated decision making with particular focus on communication processes in a variety of contexts. Discussion topics include, but are not limited to, traditional and contemporary leadership theory, leadership communication competence, leadership and dissent, gender and cultural issues associated with leadership and decision making, followers as an integral part of the leadership equation, and ethical issues related to leadership communication. A group project offers students the opportunity to witness first-hand concepts discussed and to apply what they have learned. 3 hours lecture. (002247)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division; Writing Course; Graduation Writing Assessment**CMST 488 Communication Issues in Nonprofits****3 Units****Prerequisite:** CMST 131, CMST 330, CMST 331W, CMST 350, and CMST 370 with a grade of C- or higher.**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course examines the communication concerns of the nonprofit, or third sector, and its changing role in society. Students extend their knowledge of communication theory, analysis, and presentation skills while examining topics such as internal and external communication at the national, state, and local levels of nonprofits, volunteer and other stakeholder communication, crisis and advocacy communication, and communicating for sustainability. Innovations in nonprofit organizing are also covered. 3 hours discussion. (020249)

Grade Basis: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Upper Division

CMST 489 Internship Program**3 Units**

Prerequisite: Completion of 18 units within either the Major Core, Organizational Communication Option, or Communication and Public Affairs Option.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

To enroll in this course, students must apply for an internship directly with the internship coordinator, who can be found through the CMST main office. Applications must be completed by the end of the second week of the semester and by the first day of a special session. The internship program provides students with a culminating experience that links their educational experience with practical organizational experience prior to graduation. Student learning objectives for the internship are jointly established by the student, the cooperating organization, the internship coordinator, and California State University, Chico. Students serve their internships under the direct supervision of a member of the cooperating organization. Students can only enroll in the course through the coordinator. 3 hours discussion. (002039)

Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 498 Special Topics**1-3 Units**

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 9 hours supervision. (002044)

Grade Basis: Report in Progress: Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course more than once

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 499 Special Problems**1-3 Units**

Prerequisite: Faculty permission.

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is an independent study of special problems offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. 3 hours supervision. (002253)

Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units

Course Attributes: Upper Division

CMST 601 Seminar in Communication Studies**3 Units**

Typically Offered: Fall only

This course introduces graduate students to the field of communication studies and the philosophical and meta-theoretical debates that undergird communication research. The major forms of theory and research that represent the history of the field and current contemporary discourse in communication are surveyed. 3 hours seminar. (002045)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Graduate Division

CMST 602 Seminar in Communication Research Methods**3 Units**

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is designed to provide students with an understanding of research methods associated with the field of communication. The predominant focus is quantitative inquiry with attention to surveys, experiments, content analysis, and evaluation research. Also included is experience in computer analysis of statistical data and construction of a research proposal. 3 hours seminar. (002046)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Graduate Division

CMST 603 Interpretive Approaches to Human Communication Research**3 Units**

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is an introduction to qualitative research methods in communication studies including: conceptualization, research design, data collection procedures, and analyses. The role of communication theory in guiding and informing research design in the field is emphasized, as are the ethical and political dimensions of conducting qualitative research. 3 hours seminar. (002254)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Graduate Division

CMST 604 Seminar in Political Communication**3 Units**

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This seminar examines various political communication phenomena both in the United States and the international stage. Aspects of political communication research covered include: media and politics, image politics, visual rhetoric, and public sphere studies. The course emphasizes literature on political communication while simultaneously encouraging students to consider the boundaries of the political as it relates to the study of communication. 3 hours seminar. (002255)

Cross listing(s): POLS 604

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Graduate Division

CMST 606 Seminar in Interpersonal Communication Theories**3 Units**

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course is designed to acquaint students with classic and contemporary theories, and their associated research findings, in the area of interpersonal communication. The course explores a number of topics in the field of interpersonal communication and relationships that are currently generating research attention and/or have been influential in moving the field to where it is today. 3 hours seminar. (002256)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Graduate Division

CMST 607 Seminar in Organizational Communication**3 Units**

Typically Offered: Fall and spring

This course takes a communicative perspective to the study of organizations, and intends to help students develop familiarity with major communication theories, research orientations, and issues regarding both organizations and the relationship among individuals organizations, and society. 3 hours seminar. (002257)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded

Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units

Course Attributes: Graduate Division

CMST 608 Seminar in Communication and Learning: Design, Instruction, and Training 3 Units**Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This graduate seminar is grounded in theory, research, and practice of Learning and Communication (both as discipline and as process). In addition, both Learning and Communication are related to fundamental practices of instruction and training. Master's students benefit personally and professionally from a fundamental understanding of Communication Education and Instruction, how people learn, and the process for creating learning or training experiences and/or environments. Master's students currently teaching, those pursuing college or university level teaching positions, those interested in training, or going on for further advanced studies will benefit from this course. The foundational understanding for Learning and Communication serves as a platform for building, practicing, and assessing instruction or training. 3 hours lecture. (022166)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 609 Seminar in Health Communication 3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

Health communication is an emerging specialty in the field of communication. The course includes issues such as provider-client communication, provider-provider communication and education, intercultural health communication, alternative medicine, health ethics, and mass media health images. 3 hours seminar. (002259)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 611 Seminar in Intercultural Communication 3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This seminar is intended to introduce students to some central topics of intercultural communication from diverse theoretical perspectives. Various intellectual, historical and political contexts in which intercultural communication occurs are examined. The seminar also addresses discussions about the relationship between self and other, identities and differences, nationalism (or nation-state), immigration, citizenship, and globalization with an explicit focus on communication in intercultural communication contexts. 3 hours seminar. (002260)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 612 Seminar in Rhetorical Theory 3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This seminar is intended to introduce students to classical and modern theories of rhetoric with an eye toward their value and applicability in the present day. The seminar focuses on critical examination of selected theories of rhetoric, with an emphasis on the relation of rhetoric to knowledge, power, deliberation, display, and action. 3 hours seminar. (002261)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 613 Seminar in Rhetorical Criticism 3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This seminar provides an in depth examination of rhetorical criticism. Historically, the course covers rhetorical criticism from its break with English based literary criticism in the early twentieth century through contemporary developments in the study of rhetoric as a distinct field of study. Students in the course are expected to comprehend several methods and demonstrate mastery of at least one through the construction of a fully formed rhetorical criticism of significant communication artifacts, acts, and/or events. 3 hours seminar. (002262)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 620 Teaching Strategies for Communication Studies Teaching Associates 1 Unit****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

A weekly seminar in the theory and practice of teaching. Designed for CMST teaching associates. 1 hour seminar. (020260)

Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 4 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 697 Independent Study 1-3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

This course is a graduate-level independent study offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. Research or creative project supervised by a faculty member and separate from the 699P or 699T terminal degree requirement. 0 hours supervision. (002266)

Grade Basis: Report in Progress: Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 698 Special Topics in Communication Studies 3 Units****Typically Offered:** Inquire at department

Course content varies but always focuses on an innovative trend and/or advanced area within the field of communication studies. 3 hours seminar. (002265)

Grade Basis: Graduate Graded**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 9 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 699P Master's Project 3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

A media project in lieu of the traditional research thesis (699T) as the terminal degree requirement. 9 hours supervision. (002267)

Grade Basis: Report in Progress: CR/NC**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division**CMST 699T Master's Thesis 3 Units****Typically Offered:** Fall and spring

The terminal requirement for the master's degree. 9 hours supervision. (002268)

Grade Basis: Report in Progress: CR/NC**Repeatability:** You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units**Course Attributes:** Graduate Division

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