# **COMM 252: TEAM SKILLS**

## **Transcript title**

Team Skills

#### **Credits**

1

## **Grading mode**

Standard letter grades

#### **Total contact hours**

10

#### **Lecture hours**

10

## **Course Description**

Provides an overview of the systems nature of small groups with a focus on decision-making, leadership and the communication climate of team settings.

### **Course learning outcomes**

- 1. Describe several individual accountability measures in team assignments.
- 2. Identify techniques by which team members can improve communication within the team.
- 3. Describe standards of evaluation the teamwork for themselves and their peers.
- 4. Enumerate several individual accountability measures in team assignments.
- 5. Discuss major approaches to making team decisions.

#### **Content outline**

- 1. Team Definitions
  - a. Groups Contrasted
  - b. Examples: Model and Dysfunctional
- 2. Team Elements
  - a. Membership
  - b. Leadership
  - c. Goal Setting
- 3. Team Processes
  - a. Decision Making Options
    - i. Muddling Through (Philipsen)
    - ii. Majority Rule (Tradition-Britain)
    - iii. Standard Agenda (Dewey)
    - iv. Consensus (Hirokawa)
  - b. Transparency
  - c. Team-talk
  - d. Task and Maintenance Roles
  - e. Self and Peer Assessment

## **Required materials**

Traditional course materials: Pens, paper, textbook.