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1. **Course Number:** COM206
Course Title: Communication in Current Settings
2. **Description:** This course addresses special topics of interest for students interested in the communication discipline. Course topics vary from semester to semester. Students are exposed to a diverse range of subject matter to provide familiarity with advanced theories and approaches in communication studies.
3. **Student Learning Outcomes:**
Upon successful completion of this course, students are able to do the following:
 - Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the current literature in the topic of study
 - Recognize how to integrate knowledge of this special topic to application, analysis, synthesis, and evaluation activities
 - Apply knowledge to current communication issues in society, family and the workplace, as appropriate to the topic
 - Demonstrate the ability to assimilate and communicate knowledge and innovative ideas relative to the area of study in written and oral presentations
 - Explain how topic comprehension and knowledge applies to academic, personal, and/or professional plans
4. **Credits:** 3 credits; may be repeated once for credit.
5. **Satisfies General Education Requirement:** No
6. **Prerequisite:** COM103
7. **Semesters Offered:** Varies
8. **Suggested General Guidelines for Evaluation:** The final grade consists of written papers, examinations, small group activity, and class participation.
9. **Content Outline of Course (Sufficiently detailed for the reader to ascertain the contents and topics for the course):**
Sample topics may include but are not limited to: Family Communication, Intercultural Communication, Political Communication, Health Communication, Event Planning, and Communication and the Environment.