

**MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE**

DEPT. SBM COURSE NO. SBMT2531

NUMBER OF CREDITS: 2

COURSE TITLE: SBM Business Communications

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: This course is designed to improve communication skills of small business owners or managers. It will focus on both verbal and written skills for individual or group presentation. Students will be assigned projects using writing and oral presentation skills.

AUDIENCE: Small Business Owners & Managers

FULFILLS MN TRANSFER CURRICULUM AREA(S): *N/A*

PREREQUISITES OR NECESSARY ENTRY SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE: None

LENGTH OF COURSE: Semester

THIS COURSE IS USUALLY OFFERED:

Every other year fall spring summer undetermined

Four goals are emphasized in course at Minnesota West Community & Technical College:

- 1) **ACADEMIC CONTENT:**
 - a. Identify listening skills
 - b. Identify presentation topics

- 2) **THINKING SKILLS:**
 - a. Outline business presentation
 - b. Prepare presentation materials
 - c. Complete presentation critique

- 3) **COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS:**
 - a. Interpret non-verbal signals
 - b. Use various communication media
 - c. Demonstrate presentation techniques
 - d. Complete small group presentation
 - e. Give oral directions to employee(s)
 - f. Produce written business communication
 - g. Produce technical document

- 4) **HUMAN DIVERSITY:**

TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

- 1) Business correspondence skills
- 2) Business presentation skills

LIST OF EXPECTED COURSE OUTCOMES:

- 1) See above

LEARNING/TEACHING TECHNIQUES used in the course are:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Collaborative Learning | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Problem Solving |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student Presentations | <input type="checkbox"/> Interactive Lectures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Projects | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Coaching |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Films/Videos/Slides |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demonstrations | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe below) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lab | |

ASSIGNMENTS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THIS CLASS INCLUDE:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Reading | <input type="checkbox"/> Tests | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oral Presentations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Worksheets | <input type="checkbox"/> Collaborative Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Textbook Problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Papers | <input type="checkbox"/> Portfolio |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Group Problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Term Paper | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe below) | | |

EXPECTED STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: See above

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