# KARACHI UNIVERSITY BUSINESS SCHOOL UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI

# <u>BS (BBA) – IV</u>

Course Title : SPEECH COMMUNICATION

Course Number : BA(BS) - 432

Credit Hours : 03

#### **Objective**

This course aims at enabling students understand and apply the fundamental elements, and processes of interpersonal communication. Effective communication is a much sought-after skill for students for a head start in their academic and professional careers. Therefore, this oracy-focused course is designed as a lead up not only to the more advanced Business Communication course but also to communication challenges of professional life.

#### **Course Contents**

# **PART A**

#### 1. Communication

- 1.1. Significance and Meaning of Communication
- 1.2. The Process of Communication
- 1.3. Basic Principles and Patterns
- 1.4. Communication as a Survival Skill
- 1.5. Model United Nations
- 1.6. Parliamentary Debates

# 2. Listening

- 2.1. Different Levels of Listening
- 2.2. Positive and Effective Listening
- 2.3. Hindrances
- 2.4. Listener versus Speaker
- 2.5. Famous Speeches

### 3. Language and Communication

- 3.1. Spoken versus Written Discourse
- 3.2. Clarity & Accuracy
- 3.3. Register and Jargon
- 3.4. Clichés and Vogue Words
- 3.5. Gender Inclusive Language
- 3.6. Phatic Communion

#### 4. Nonverbal Communication

- 4.1. The Power of Nonverbal Communication
- 4.2. Reading Nonverbal Signs
- 4.3. Positive Body Language
- 4.4. Communicating Through Spatial Arrangements

# 5. Effective Speeches and Presentations: Strategies

- 5.1. Topic Selection
- 5.2. Determining the Purpose
- 5.3. Tips for Doing Research
- 5.4. Building Smooth Transitions
- 5.5. Outlining the Speech
- 5.6. Harnessing the Power of Humour
- 5.7. Speeches for Special Occasions

### 6. Audience Analysis

- 6.1. Demographic Audience Analysis
- 6.2. Situational Audience Analysis
- 6.3. Researching the Audience
- 6.4. You-Attitude
- 6.5. Soft Skills

# 7. Effective Openings and Closings

- 7.1. Attention Getter
- 7.2. Sales Pitch (AIDA model)
- 7.3. Revealing the Topic and Signaling the End
- 7.4. Tips for Preparing the Introduction and Conclusion
- 7.5. Recovery

#### 8. Presentation Patterns

- 8.1. Types and Methods of Delivery
- 8.2. The Speaker's Voice
- 8.3. Tone, Pitch, Pace and Pause
- 8.4. Personal Communication Styles

#### 9. Presentation and Practice

- 9.1. Overcoming Speech Anxiety
- 9.2. Rehearsing the Speech
- 9.3. Structuring a Talk
- 9.4. Pre-Talk Checks
- 9.5. Time Management

### 10. Extempore Speeches

- 10.1. Useful Brainstorming Tips
- 10.2. Avoiding Pitfalls

### 11. Informative and Persuasive Speaking

- 11.1. Types of Informative Speeches
- 11.2. Guidelines for Informative Speaking
- 11.3. Ethics and Persuasion
- 11.4. Methods of Persuasion
- 11.5. Character, Logic and Passion

#### 12. Managing Q&A Sessions

- 12.1. The Art of Asking Questions
- 12.2. Making Sure with Feedback
- 12.3. Handling Difficult and Awkward Questions
- 12.4. Identifying and Managing Misunderstanding

### 13. Use of Visual Aids

- 13.1. The Importance of Visual Cues
- 13.2. General Rules
- 13.3. Giving Effective PowerPoint Presentations
- 13.4. Pictorial Presentation of Statistical Data

# **PART B**

- 14. Model United Nations Simulations
- 15. Speech / Debate

# **MARKS DISTRIBUTION**

# PART A

1. Recommended Books Theory

20 Marks

2. Essay

10 Marks

# PART B

3. Presentation Total

30 Marks 60 Marks

#### **Recommended Books**

- 1. Verderber and Verderber, Rudolph F. Verderber & Kathleen S. Verderber, *Communicate!*, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition (2010), Cengage Learning.
- 2. Clayton, Peter, *Body Language at Work*, (2011), Bounty Books.