CORPORATE COMMUNICATION, B.A. (ABINGTON)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus
End Campus: Abington

Program Learning Objectives

• Apply Ethical Corporate Communication Principles and Practice
  • Identify ethical perspectives.
  • Explain the relevance of various ethical perspectives.
  • Articulate the ethical dimensions of a Corporate Communication situation.
  • Propose solutions for an (un)ethical Corporate Communication situation.
  • Evaluate the ethical elements of a Corporate Communication situation.

• Create Messages Appropriate to the Audience, Purpose, and Context
  • Locate and use information relevant to goals, audiences, purposes, and contexts.
  • Select creative and appropriate modalities and technologies to accomplish Corporate Communication goals.
  • Adapt messages to the diverse needs of individuals, groups, and contexts.
  • Present messages in multiple communication modalities and contexts.
  • Adjust messages while in the process of communicating.
  • Critically reflect on one’s own messages after the communication event.

• Critically Analyze Messages
  • Identify meanings embedded in messages.
  • Articulate characteristics of mediated and non-mediated messages.
  • Recognize the influence of messages.
  • Engage in active listening.
  • Enact mindful responding to messages.

• Demonstrate the Ability to Accomplish Communicative Goals (Self-Efficacy)
  • Identify contexts, situations, and barriers that impede communication self-efficacy
  • Perform verbal and nonverbal communication behaviors that illustrate self-efficacy
  • Articulate personal beliefs about abilities to accomplish communication goals
  • Evaluate personal communication strengths and weaknesses.

• Describe the Corporate Communication field and its central questions
  • Explain the origins of the Corporate Communication field.
  • Summarize the broad nature of the Corporate Communication field.
  • Categorize the various career pathways for students of Communication.
  • Articulate the importance of Corporate Communication expertise in career development and civic engagement.

• Examine contemporary debates within the field.
• Distinguish the Corporate Communication field from related areas of study.
• Identify with intellectual specialization(s) in the Corporate Communication field.

• Employ Corporate Communication Theories, Perspectives, Principles, and Concepts
  • Explain Corporate Communication perspectives, theories, principles, and concepts.
  • Synthesize Corporate Communication perspectives, theories, principles, and concepts.
  • Apply Corporate Communication perspectives, theories, principles, and concepts.
  • Critique Corporate Communication perspectives, theories, principles, and concepts.

• Engage in Corporate Communication Inquiry
  • Interpret Corporate Communication scholarship.
  • Evaluate Corporate Communication scholarship.
  • Formulate questions appropriate for Corporate Communication scholarship.
  • Engage in Corporate Communication scholarship using the research traditions of the field.
  • Differentiate among various approaches to the study of Corporate Communication.
  • Contribute to the scholarly conversations appropriate to the purpose of inquiry.

• Influence for Greater Good
  • Explain the importance of Corporate Communication for civic life from the local to global levels.
  • Identify the challenges facing communities and the role of Corporate Communication in resolving those challenges.
  • Frame local, national, and/or global issues from a Corporate Communication point of view.
  • Evaluate local, national, and/or global issues from a Corporate Communication point of view.
  • Use Corporate Communication to respond to issues at the local, national, and/or global level.
  • Advocate a course of action to address local, national, and/or global issues from a Corporate Communication point of view.
  • Use Corporate Communication to empower individuals in terms of human rights, human dignity, and human freedom.

• Utilize Corporate Communication to Embrace Difference
  • Articulate the connection between Corporate Communication and culture.
  • Recognize individual and cultural similarities and differences.
  • Appreciate individual and cultural similarities and differences.
  • Respect diverse perspectives and the ways they influence communication.
  • Articulate one’s own cultural standpoint and how it affects communication and world view.
  • Demonstrate the ability to be culturally self-aware.
  • Adapt one’s communication in diverse cultural contexts.