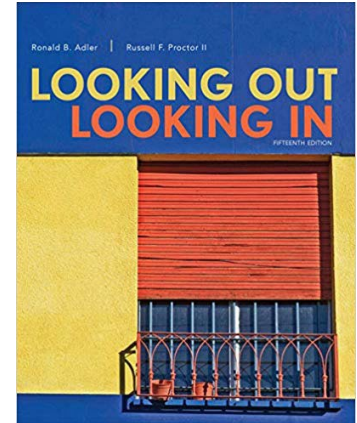


Welcome Students!

INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION: COM 203L 741

8-weeks | Fully Online

Dr. Annie Shibata, Spring I 2025, Wednesday,
January 22 – Friday, March 14, 2025



3-credits | 8-weeks | Accelerated (twice the pace of a full semester course)

About the course:

Welcome to Interpersonal Communication! In this course, we will explore the dynamic ways in which people communicate through both verbal and nonverbal symbols. You'll learn about the processes that influence how messages are sent, received, and interpreted, and how communication impacts relationships. We will also examine the cultural and environmental factors that shape communication, as well as how our inner thoughts (intrapersonal communication) influence our interactions with others (interpersonal communication). By the end of the course, you'll have gained valuable insights into communication theory and developed practical skills to enhance your personal and professional relationships.

This course is taught **fully online** through Marist's course management system, called Brightspace. This system will provide students 24/7 access to the course materials (syllabus, readings, assignments, etc.), individual grades, and messages. **Login times and dates are asynchronous and flexible, but students must stay on pace with the course. Expect minimum weekly login requirements and regular deadlines.**

During the course we will use a mix of learning activities, including guided online discussions/analytical writing exercises, research, readings, and audio-visual materials, as appropriate. Assignments may include an individual and/or group project, written formal papers, presentations, and tests. Although training will be provided by Marist, you should have no problem using Brightspace if you know how to use a computer for basic tasks, have experience surfing the web, and know how to download and upload (attach) files.

Required Material/Textbook:

There is only one required book for this course. The book is not available at the Marist bookstore. It is suggested you **search online for the best deal**. Please read all the information below before you purchase the book.

Adler, R.B. & Proctor, R.F. (2017). Looking Out, Looking In (**15th ed.**). Belmont, CA: Thompson-Wadsworth/Cengage. ISBN-10: 1-305-07651-6 (ISBN-13: 978-1-305-07651-8)

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The Brightspace course site will be published (and appear in your list of courses) on the first day of the semester.

Please log in to the course on first or second day so you can plan for assignments/deadlines in a timely fashion.

I'm looking forward to working with you!

Dr. Annie Shibata