

Edna Saffy, Ph.D.
EDU 502
Rhetorical Theory
Office Phone 646-2344
Monday January 25 through
Monday, April 19, 1999
2:30-6:30

EDU 502, Rhetorical Theory is a graduate course offered for three graduate credits through Jacksonville University. Using primarily Aristotelian theory (which is effect-based) this course will investigate speech transaction. Through readings and individual presentations, the student should gain better understanding of, and skill in, the oral communication process, and thus, have the resources to continue in the field both as a rhetor and a rhetorician. Basically the course will involve the learning of Aristotelian theory and its application to the practice of rhetorical communication .

You will be required to demonstrate your understanding and competence through individual presentations, papers, readings, group presentations, classroom participation, etc.

Attendance is MANDATORY, for the learning of rhetorical theory and communication skill involves listening to discourse and participating in discussion.

The primary text for this course is Aristotle's The Rhetoric. Readings from other sources will be assigned when appropriate. You will also be provided with at least one other text.

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF EDU 502

As you are aware, attendance is mandatory and promptness is expected. Work in this course will include, but is not limited to:

1. A two and one half to three and one half-minute original speech (Delivered at the second class meeting)
2. A speech to inform
3. A speech to persuade
4. Group discussion work based on controversial topic (the final product of the discussion will be individual presentations)
5. A final 30-minute lecture

Other requirements include, but are not limited to:

1. Reading and discussion of Aristotle's *The Rhetoric*
2. Reading and discussion of *Principles of Speech Communication*, Thirteenth Brief Edition, Bruce E. Gronbeck, Kathleen German, Douglas Ehninger, and Alan Monroe
3. Self graded tests
4. Completion of a journal detailing your experiences as a student in a speech class

Time limitations, class size, class progress and/or class direction may require the limiting or substitution of the above requirements.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE FOR
ARISTOTELIAN RHETORIC COURSE

The professor is Edna Saffy, Ph.D. My office room number T-268, and my office phone is 646-2344.

There are two required texts:

The Rhetoric of Aristotle translated by Lane Cooper, Prentice-Hall, Inc.
(ISBN: 0-13-780692-2)

You will need to make an individual effort, as soon as possible, to purchase or borrow this text.

If you are unable to find the Lane Cooper translation, any translation will suffice.

Principles of Speech Communication, Bruce E. Gronbeck, Kathleen German, Douglas Ehninger, and Alan H. Monroe, Thirteenth Brief Edition, Longman (An imprint of Addison Wesley Longman, Inc.) (ISBN:0-321-01004-3)

Arrangements have been made for you to receive a copy of this text at no cost to you.

Classes will meet in the "T" Building on the South Campus of Florida Community College in room T-201 from 2:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. beginning on Monday, January 25, 1999, and ending on Monday, April 19, 1999. The tentative schedule is:

Monday, January 25 (First Class Meeting)
Monday, February 1
Monday, February 8
Monday, February 15 (Holiday--No Class)
Monday, February 22
Monday, March 1 (Holiday--No Class)
Monday, March 8
Monday, March 15
Monday, March 22
Monday, March 29
Monday, April 5
Monday, April 12
Monday, April 19 (Last Class Meeting)

Please remember that attendance is mandatory.