**Communication 145**

**Research Paper Topics**

***Concepts and Contexts List***

***Interpersonal Communication*:**

Self-disclosure

Relational Dissolution (breaking up)

Facework

Rhetorical Sensitivity

Expectancy Violations

Social Support

***Family Communication*:**

Sibling communication

Parental communication

Marital communication

Communication with the elderly

Lifespan communication

Communication in stepfamilies

***Instructional Communication*:**

Teacher-student communication

Parent-teacher communication

Student-student communication

Communication Apprehension

Power in the classroom

Technology in the classroom (computer-mediated communication)

Immediacy

***Organizational Communication*:**

Worker Identity

Superior-subordinate (Leader/employee) communication

Peer communication in the workplace

Upward-downward/horizontal-vertical communication

Social Support

Power

Conflict/negotiation

***Miscellaneous***

Computer-Mediated Communication

Power

***Theory List***

***Interpersonal and/or Family theories:***

Symbolic Convergence Theory

Narrative Performance Theory

Emotion Regulation Theory

Inconsistent Nurturance/Control Theory

Planning Theory

Relational Control Theory

Communication Privacy Management

Dialectical Theory

Interpersonal Attraction

Uncertainy Reduction

Agenda Setting Theory

Theory of Interpersonal Needs

Social Exchange Theory

Coordinated Management of Meaning

Equity Theory

Interdependence Theory

Expectancy Value Theory

Social Identity Theory

Interpersonal Deception Theory

Convergence Theory

Social Penetration Theory

***Persuasion theories:***

Elaboration Likelihood Model

Protection Motivation Theory

Equivocation Theory

Consistency Theories

***Organizational Communication theories:***

Information systems approach to Organizations

Critical theory approach to Organizations

Leader Member Exchange Theory

Organizational Assimilation

Unobtrusive and Concertive Control Theory

Adaptive Structuration Theory

Organizational Culture Theory

***Feminist/Critical/Cultural theories:***

Standpoint Theory

Speech Community Theory

Muted Group Theory

***Mass Communication:***

Spiral of Silence

Technological Determinism

Cultivation Theory

***Language or verbal communication theories:***

Social Construction Theory

Symbolic Interactionism

Semiotic Theories

Speech Act Theory

***Instructional Communication theories:***

Social Learning Theory

***Overarching Communication Theories:***

Dramatism

Communication Accomodation Theory

***Computer-Mediated Communication theories:***

Social Information Processing Theory

Media Richness Theory

***Psychological Theories frequently applied in the Communication Discipline:***

Attachment Theory

Attribution Theory