



# Syllabus

## First Semester Courses in English

### 2023-2024

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Year: F.Y. B.A

Course Code: UAENG4501SE1

Title: Soft Skills Through Literature: Public Speaking

Credits: 2 (Total 30 hours)

Number of lectures: 2 lectures per week

**Course Objectives:**

This course aims:

1. To cultivate and build soft skills through critical engagement with literature
2. To understand the strength of clear articulation and hone speaking skills
3. To develop content and confidence in public speaking and group discussions

**Course Outcomes:**

After this course, students will be able to

1. Develop soft skills for life and for the job market
2. Communicate with clarity in content and speech
3. Write content for effective speeches, debates, and presentations

**Unit I. Soft Skills through Storytelling**

**(10 hours)**

a. Understanding the following and more through the literary works in the course:

Communication, Teamwork, Problem-solving, Time management, Critical thinking, Decision-making, Organizational, Stress management, Adaptability, Conflict management, Leadership, Creativity, Resourcefulness, Persuasion, Openness to criticism/feedback, emotional intelligence

b. Novel: Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird*

c. Group Discussions, Debates, Role Plays, Monologues

**Unit II. Articulation**

**(10 hours)**

Select Poems - William Henley's *Invictus*, Rudyard Kipling's *If*

Phonetics through Poetry

**Unit III. Mechanics of Select famous speeches:**

Martin Luther King Jr's *I have a Dream*, Chief Seattle's Speech, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's *We Should All Be Feminists*

Presentation Skills including body language; the making of an effective PowerPoint

**Suggested Reading:**

Atwood, Christee: Presentation Skills Training, Association for Talent Development, 2017

Siddons, Suzy: The Complete Presentation Skills Handbook: How to Understand and Reach Your Audience for Maximum Impact and Success, 2008

Soft Skills for Workplace Success, Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, 2021

Soft Skills and Hard Values: Meeting Education's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Challenges

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Evaluation (SEC): Total marks per course - 50.

Formative Assessment 'for' Learning (continuous internal assessment - CIA to improve learning).

CIA- 20 marks

Summative Assessment 'of' Learning (focus on outcomes, quantitative data for outcomes of instruction).

End Semester Examination – 30 marks

UNITS	KNOWLEDGE	UNDERSTANDING	APPLICATION and ANALYSES	TOTAL MARKS- Per unit
1	5	5	5	15
2	5	5	5	15
-TOTAL - Per objective	10	10	10	30
% WEIGHTAGE	33.33	33.33	33.33	100%

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