SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Course Number: CMPA-140 Department: Information Technologies

Course Title: Soft Skills at Work Semester: Spring Year: 2010

Course Objective	Competencies
To use technical skills for career preparation.	 Use a search engine to research careers, employers, and interview preparation. Prepare effectively for job interviews. Use software to prepare the necessary documents required for a job search (cover letter, resume, and thank-you letter). Know how to dress and make a good first impression.
To clean up online persona.	 Understand the importance of a clean online persona to a career professional. Know how to protect personal information and privacy. Understand how postings to online forums can be used to learn more about a person's beliefs and non-work activities
To improve written communication skills in e-mails.	 Write emails with precision. Correct common writing mistakes in emails. Learn which communication methods work best for conveying messages.

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To learn about teams in the workplace.	 Understand the importance of teamwork to successful organizations. Understand generational differences and how they affect workplace teams. Recognize teams in the workplace, their characteristics, and roles played.
To prepare and give a presentation.	 To learn a simple four-step approach to creating effective presentations. To understand common presentation mistakes and how to avoid them.