### SYLLABUS PART I

## EDISON COMMUNITY COLLEGE MGT 126S HUMAN RELATIONS IN THE WORKPLACE 3 CREDIT HOURS

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Study of interpersonal skills using practical applications for the development of a positive work environment. The focus is on communications, motivation, managing change, solving problems, employee development, and team development.

### COURSE GOALS

#### The student will:

- 1. Define the meaning of human relations.
- 2. Practice the art of communicating.
- 3. Identify the motivational needs of people in the workforce.
- 4. Recognize the elements of morale and their affect on the workplace.
- 5. Explain how to manage change in an organization.
- 6. Compare the differences in leadership roles.
- 7. Recognize the cultural issues facing today's workforce.
- 8. Develop an understanding of an organizational approach to applying human relations.
- 9. Apply the decision making process to human relationship issues.
- 10. Practice turning groups into work teams.

#### **CORE VALUES**

The Core Values are a set of principles which guide in creating educational programs and environments at Edison. They include communication, ethics, critical thinking, human diversity, inquiry/respect for learning, and interpersonal skills/teamwork. The goals, objectives, and activities in this course will introduce/reinforce these Core Values whenever appropriate.

#### TOPIC OUTLINE

- 1. Defining Human Relations
- 2. Modern Human Relations Challenges
  - a. Emphasizing TQM
  - b. Integrating People and Technology
  - c. Managing Diversity
- 3. Foundations of Human Relations Processes
  - a. Interpersonal Communication
  - b. Organizational Communication
  - c. Motivation
  - d. Styles of Leading
  - e. Stress Management
- 4. The Organizational Social System
  - a. Individual Behavior
  - b. Groups
- 5. People Working Together
  - a. Team Building
  - b. Conflict and Change
  - c. Job Design and Enrichment

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- 6. Special Topics a. International Opportunities
  - b. Ethics and Social Responsibility