Dear students,

In the preparation of the exam of our course in Psychology of Communication, I would like to inform you on the logistic modalities. The oral exam will last 30-40 minutes, while the written exam will last 2 hours. Therefore, I have organized a reservation system, aiming at optimizing the procedure.

These are the possible dates for the autumn session:

- oral exam: August: 29-31st; September: 2nd, 5th-7th, and 9th-11th; in my office at BX A3.36c (third floor, main building)
- written exam: Tuesday, the 3rd of September at 9.30. In room BX A1.50.

Topics of the exam

My course is aimed at giving students several keys to understand the communication/world, and to proficiently interact with it. Therefore, the exam will investigate your knowledge of both conceptual and pragmatic issues, based on all the materials (lectures, published powerpoints, resources on OLE, videos on Teams). Students will not be asked to literally reproduce information, but they must show to be able to manage knowledge by producing connections, examples, argumentations, and facing challenges. If the student cannot apply knowledge, I will assess whether the information is known or not: however, remember that if you possess certain information but you cannot use it, it is the same as if you do not possess it.

Attending/non-attending

Many professors provide a different program to those who can attend to the lessons, and to those who could not attend them. Given that: a) the material is online (ask me if you cannot access it), b) all lectures have been video-recorded, c) I am available by email/OLE/office hours, then I do not consider **any difference** in the program between those students who attended to all the lessons of the course, and those who were never present. For those students feeling themselves with a "handicap" and would like to receive further material, they are required to arrange the program with me **at least 2 weeks** before the exam.

"LAB or not to LAB?"

Those who participated to the LAB will receive an evaluation ranging 0 to 4 (plus the "participation" point). It is up to them to consider it as 1) a part of the total mark, or 2) starting an exam from the beginning. Case 1: the oral exam will last the due time, on the topics of the course only; it be rated on a 25-points scale. The final mark will be obtained by adding the two marks obtained: oral_mark + LAB_mark. Case 2: the oral exam will test topics of the course and, in addition, practical

abilities (related to the LAB, see OLE: "B-plan"). The whole performance will be rated on the usual 25 + 5-point scale.

Procedure:

A reservation is mandatory. It will be made through two systems:

- > the enrolment to the Faculty Internet site (MyScientificNet:

- https://my.scientificnet.org/home/en/#/), AND
- > filling up this **questionnaire**:
- <u>https://eu.surveymonkey.com/r/7P7639G</u> with the following information: name, surname, email, academic year, course, type of exam (oral or written), at least 2 options for the (oral) appointment.

Deadline (last day for filling the questionnaire up): Monday, the 26th of August, 11.59CET.

In one of the days after the deadline, I will send an email to all the people enrolled to indicate day and hour of the scheduled appointment (that will be decided based on the received requests). The schedule will be also published on OLE. If you do not see your name there (but you have sent the email for sure - email problems may always happen) or if you notice errors or would like to revise your intention, you should write to me as soon as you can.

Useful information:

- exam enrolment through the questionnaire is **necessary** in order to define day and time of the appointment;
- in any case, everybody must enrol to the faculty system too (MyScientificNet), within its deadline (that is, three days before the first day of the exam). This is necessary in order to have the document;
- I will not reply to singular emails before the deadline.
- I would suggest you to be present 5-10 minutes before the scheduled time;
- It is not a problem to change your appointment even after the final schedule or to withdraw from the exam: however, please consider that there will be few probabilities that your request will be accepted. Just send me an email (within the day before the exam itself).

My flexibility is high, in following your suggestions, since I was not forced to giving you the opportunity to decide in advance (among my availability). However, you should collaborate, by following this system and by respecting the commitments.

Kindest regards,

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