Class outline 10

Here is an outline of what we will do in class today.

# Moment of reflection: Communication

* Interpersonal communication: Theme of the course
* What we learned: Conversations die for a reason. Usually: Lack of listening.
* Going off-topic is essential: What is your name? Hi, how are you?
* More broadly: Following up, asking questions, showing interest.
* Body language matters. Seating arrangements. Inclusiveness matters.
* Next to learn: Open-mindedness. Become a specialist, but don’t become small.
* Academic interest: Showing intellectual curiosity. Asking follow-up questions.

# First period: Academic discussion, then essay types

* Cause and effect essay
* Problem-solution essay

# Lab period: Interpersonal communication

* Quick note: You can install AdBlock Plus (phone, Chrome)
* Use the print-out to read the texts and write self-reflections. I recommend starting with the reading.
* Charles Duhigg (on Ted): “The science behind dramatically better conversations”  
  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lg48Bi9DA54>  
  *Charles Duhigg is a Pulitzer-prize-winning journalist who has previously worked with the New York Times and the New Yorker magazine. He has also published very successful non-fiction books focused on skills like productivity and communication.*
* Extra time: Do more reading / research for your research project.

# Third period: Discussion, then looking ahead

* Discussion: Interpersonal communication
* Instructions: Final essay

# Remember to check the homework file!