

## **Creating Effective Scientific Talks**

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**Course Description:** This course will provide basic instruction in the strategies of slide preparation and speaking techniques for the oral presentation of scientific material, as well as providing practice opportunities and critical but supportive feedback.

### **Learning Objectives:**

- How to organize material for a conference-style presentation
- How to develop an effective speaking style
- How to tailor your talk for various audiences

Participants will evaluate each other's presentations and also receive faculty feedback.

### **Schedule:**

- September 25: Basics of Science Communication
- October 2: Preparing your projected visual aids (organization and aesthetics)
- October 9: No Class – slide preparation time
- October 16: Peer and faculty review of slides
- October 23: Speaking techniques and exercises (pace, articulation, managing stress, etc)
- October 30: Practice talks with peer and faculty feedback