

MMC Project Group

Public Speaking – 7 Weeks

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Attendance: 5 points for each class

Week 1: Intro/Get to know you

-Go over syllabus

-Expectations

-Ice-Breakers! Use your speaking skills to go through ice breakers as a group. Learn how ice breakers help speaking skills because it makes you more comfortable.

-If Time: Word Definitions Game + Picture Game

Homework: Prepare a short speech (max. 2 minutes) on your worst public speaking experience and how it could've been improved. (10 Points)

Week 2: Public Speaking and Job Opportunities

-Present Homework

-Presentation on how public speaking affects job opportunities. Focus on elevator Speeches

-Being confident in professional situations

-If Time: What not to do, demonstrate an example of awful speaking skills. Have students try

Homework: Prepare an elevator speech (20-40 seconds) (10 Points)

Week 3: Genres of Public Speaking

-Present Homework

-Presentation on different public speaking genres and their uses (Improv, Case-Studies, Professional, Ted Talks, Interview, etc)

-Getting involved with the genres of public speaking

-If Time: Famous people in each genre of Public Speaking

No Homework This Week

Week 4: Improv + Comedy

-Activity: Whose Line is it Anyways?

-Presentation on Using Comedy within a speech

-How to think on the fly and stay on topic

-Being funny, yet being professional

-If Time: Give a brief improv speech on a topic (drawn from a hat)

Homework: Prepare a brief stand-up comedy bit or sketch (10 points)

Week 5: Preparing for Final

-Present Homework

-Rubric + Introduce Final Project

-Arguing, how to argue yet remain professional, how to win arguments using speaking skills

-If Time: How to use speaking skills while in a group, Focus on group presentations

Homework: Come up with 3 ideas for Final Project Presentations (10 points)

Week 6: Tips + Tricks

-Turn in Homework

-Tips for Preparing for Public Speaking

-How to impress people with your speech

-Tips for the Final Presentation, Time for questions

-Citing: How to cite information in a speech. Talk about plagiarism

-If Time: Work on Final Presentation

Homework: Finish Final Presentation

Week 7: Final

-Final Project Presentations (25 points)