

# ATMO 765 – Syllabus

Spring Semester 2020  
Location: MSB 100  
Class time: W 3-4:30  
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## Learning Outcomes

The main objective of this class is to introduce students to one of the standard ways through which scientists and scholars in general communicate their work to their colleagues. By attending the department seminars, and through a series of assignments, students will learn to present their research and to judge strengths and weaknesses of a presentation. Guest lectures with public speaking specialists will be organized in order to help students improve their confidence when speaking to an audience.

## Student Learning Objectives

Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

1. Understand how science seminars are constructed and delivered.
2. Extract the key information from a seminar and assess the quality of the presentation.
3. Communicate the findings of their research to their peers.
4. Speak in front of an audience about a particular subject.

## Grading

The final grade will be determined by a combination of seminar assessments and by an evaluation of a student's final presentation:

Seminar Assessments	60%
Presentation Outline	20%
Research Presentation	20%
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## Assignments

As a weekly assignment, the students will have to fill out an assessment form where they will be required to discuss the main strengths and weaknesses of the seminar they attended. The forms will have to be handed in or emailed by Friday 5 pm each week.

At the end of the class, each student will have to prepare and present a seminar based on their research. Students are strongly encouraged to reach out to their colleagues and the instructor well in advance of their final presentation to get feedback on the slides and to practice their talk.

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