

Time: Wednesday 1:30-2:20 PM (**note new time**)

Location: POST 723

Instructor: Eric Gaidos (gaidos@hawaii.edu)

Prerequisite: Graduate student standing in the EPS program

This is a required graduate seminar giving students experience in preparing and presenting research to a specialist audience. Each student will prepare and deliver a 10-minute presentation (the length motivated by a standard AGU talk). Each student will give their talk **twice** during the semester, adjusting it for the second time using feedback from the audience. First-year students can give a “prospectus” talk in which they present their research background and plans (rather than any methods, results, or conclusions) and will give their talks later in the semester. Students in the audience will provide feedback via an online form by 6 PM that day.

Schedule:

Jan 10: Course orientation (asynchronous online)

Jan 17, 24, and 31, Feb 7, 14, 21, and 28, and Mar 6 and 13 : Student presentations

Mar 20: Spring recess

Mar 27, Apr 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, May 8*: Student presentations

*If needed, depending on enrollment.

Talk slots will be randomly assigned and the instructor can swap speakers' slots if both agree. Students are expected to attend most or nearly all talks, ask questions, and provide feedback via the online form. Cumulative feedback will be shared electronically with the speaker. The atmosphere is informal: outside audience members are welcome but no formal announcement will be made and no schedule will be published.

Attendance: Attendance is tracked. Occasional absences due to research/illness are expected and no permission is needed, but chronic absenteeism will result in a failing grade.

Grading: A/CR or F/NC. Failure to attend most talks, or give either of the two talks, will result in a failing grade.

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Relevant Student Learning Outcomes

M.S. program: 3. Communicate geological knowledge: M.S. graduate are able to effectively communicate about the findings of their research in writing at a level comparable to that of a scientific journal publication, and defend it orally to the satisfaction of a scientific audience. They

are also able to communicate orally about Geology through seminar or conference presentations.

PhD program: 4. Communicate geological knowledge: Ph.D. graduates are able to effectively communicate the findings of their research in writing at a level comparable to that of scientific journal publications, and defend it orally to the satisfaction of a scientific audience. They are also able to communicate orally about Geology through seminar or conference presentations.

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