

## General Education Learning Outcome – Public Speaking

### Outcome

Demonstrate effective public speaking skills.

### Subcomponents

- Demonstrate the effective use of an introduction, body, and conclusion of a formal speech.
- Demonstrate an audience-centered purpose that adapts to the audience, occasion, and time limit of the speech.
- Deliver the speech with effective eye contact relative to the use of presentational aids (when applicable) and the audience.
- Vary the tone of voice appropriate to the content of the speech and context of the audience.
- Demonstrate appropriate attire, gestures, good posture, and meaningful body movement.

### Sample Artifacts

- Students will present a 15-minute formal oral presentation to the class on a current physical therapy intervention (treatment technique, strategy, or modality). They will include a BRIEF demonstration of this treatment strategy or a component of it. Finally, they should be able to discuss the underlying rationale for this treatment approach and what evidence currently exists in the literature about when and with which types of patients to use this intervention. (Systems, Problems, and Physical Therapy)
- The Computer-Aided Technology Presentation is a speech that should inform an audience of the nature, scope and details of your capstone design project. The main points should consist of generalizations/conclusions that are supported by your report, graphics, models and drawings. The student should focus on the overall nature and scope of the project, include at least two aspects of the project which are noteworthy and describe an overall review of your project. (Design Project)
- A mock interview is the equivalent of a dress rehearsal for your real interviews. Dressing professionally will allow you the opportunity to become accustomed to professional attire and to receive feedback on your professional appearance. An interview is not an acting session. It is a chance to showcase the “real you” and to see if you fit the job and if the job fits you. Be yourself! Be professional!
- Career in Engineering, Presentation #2: The “Career in Engineering” presentation is designed to make you consider aspects of your career path above and beyond a field of study or academic major in engineering. The introduction should provide information about the things that are most important to you in terms of choosing a career path (salary, location, schedule, benefits, etc.) Start strong! Under no circumstances should you begin with “Hi, my name is \_\_\_\_\_”. You should outline your ideal career as an engineer. You should identify your chosen engineering discipline, along with the ideal job function and industry you would prefer to work in. Provide supporting comments for your decisions and identify one or two companies that would fit the career you have just

described. Provide a grand summary of your presentation, wrapping together all the highlights of your talk in a brief sound-bite. End strong! Do not just say “Thank you” as your conclusion... “Thank you” should only come after you have concluded your presentation with a strong statement of finality!