

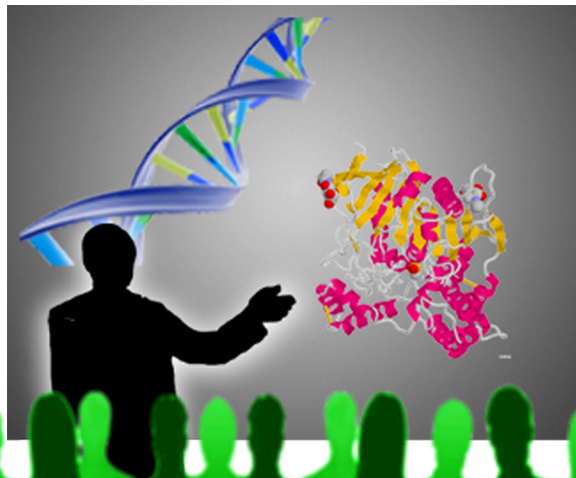
Improving Presentation Skills

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Oral presentations are fundamental exercises which punctuate a scientist's career at e.g. weekly lab meetings, conference proceedings and job interviews. Therefore, giving a good presentation is a major way to advertise your scientific merit and let your research stand out. Hence, the aim of this course is to sharpen your presentation skills, to encourage your involvement in scientific discussions and to have fun handling this way of scientific communication.

During the course the students will give short talks based on scientific publications which are going to be discussed afterwards in a peer group. The discussion will include the content and scientific impact of the paper and emphasize on how the student can improve the performance of their presentation.



You'll learn:

- New insights in recent works of molecular biology and biochemistry
- How to review a scientific paper in a presentation
- How to clearly structure a presentation
- How to control and use gestures and speech
- How to efficiently use PowerPoint to support your presentation
- How to fruitfully discuss scientific results and handle constructive reviews of your and others' work

The course is set in the 1st 5 week session, 1 credit units, graded with student option, at BEAD N172, Tuesdays/Thursdays, 3:30 to 4:45 pm