CSCI-471 Professional Communications

Research Presentation Evaluation Form – Video Presentations

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Speaker: Jarod Ripper Topic: Folding at Home, using distributed computing to tackle previous intractable problems in computational Biology

# Instructions

You should have access to the videos you have been assigned to review for the class.

Do not compare this presentation to any other presentation. Evaluate each one independently. As you watch each video, be prepared to rate it on four categories: **Visuals, Content, Organization,** and **Presentation Style.** You will also provide an **Overall Assessment.** In each category, you will enter a number from 0 to 100 that represents your opinion for the given component. You will also have a short section to give commentary for each category. Numerical ranges and suggested meanings are:

95 – 100 Excellent or outstanding  
 85 – 94 Very good (minor improvements needed)  
 75 – 84 Good (more significant improvements needed)  
 50 – 74 Fair (barely adequate; major improvements needed)  
 0 – 49 Extremely poor (unacceptable)

Under each of the four categories are sets of *descriptors*. Each has a scale of “Strongly Agree” to “Strongly Disagree”; replace the  with an ‘X’ based on how well the performance adheres to the descriptor. Your selection for a descriptor should reinforce or inform your numerical rating of the category. You may also select ‘N/A’ if a descriptor does not apply to the current presentation. Generally, checking “Agree” or “Strongly Agree” would signify something positive, well done, or that added to the video; checking “Disagree” or “Strongly Disagree” would signify something negative, poorly done or distracted from the video; checking “No opinion” would indicate you were neutral with respect to that dimension of the talk. There is also a space in each section where you can leave feedback specific to that category. Under your overall assessment, there are additional questions to answer. Strive to make all of your feedback as helpful as possible.

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| **Overall Assessment** |  | Score \_83\_/100 | |
| Did the presentation reflect adequate preparation? | | Yes | No |
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| **Visuals and Video** | | | | | | Score | \_79\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The Speaker’s... | Comments: Due to the presenter being shown, I couldn’t help but notice the environment that he was in. That was distracting and thus it distracted me a few time from the presentation. As a result, I had to rewind my presentation roughly 3 times in order to keep up to the content that was being spoken about. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | visuals were relevant |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | visuals were complete |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | visuals were accurate |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | visuals were well-integrated |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | visuals well-designed |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | visuals were easy to see |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | video quality was not distracting |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | audio quality was not distracting |
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| **Content** | | | | | | Score | \_80\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The presentation had... | Comments: The content lacked written content and the actual presentation itself. It was hard to keep up with the content primarily due to the background being the presenter’s room and not the presentation itself. I think without the written content being shown, there is a sufficient lack of content being present in order to illustrate the details that have been mentioned in the paper. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | sufficient content provided |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | appropriate explanations |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | the right scope for audience |

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| **Organization** | | | | | | Score | \_85\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The Speaker... | Comments: Towards the end, the conclusion, that is not including the critique of the paper, was extremely short. If the conclusion was more, it was hard to comprehend due to difficulty of not actually having a presentation to present. The content that was being spoken about seemed to be articulated properly, however, lacking the presentation caused great problems throughout the presentation. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | gave an outline or agenda |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | provided transitions between ideas |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | organized their content logically |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | summarized their main points |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | clearly introduced their topic |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | made good use of time |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | offered conclusions |  |
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| **Presentation Style** | | | | | | Score | \_89\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The Speaker... | Comments: Due the video showing the presenter, it was clear to see the tone of the speech. This affected the presentation style as it seemed monotonic and unenthusiastic as well. Maybe instead of showing the presenter, showing a form of presentation itself would have helped out . |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Introduced themself |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Dressed appropriately |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Avoided distracting mannerisms & fillers |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Appeared Enthusiastic |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Paced the talk appropriately |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Used professional language |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Appeared poised & confident |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Avoided monotone delivery |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Spoke loud enough |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Defined terms when needed |

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| What did you like most about this presentation?  I found this presentation interesting. It was very different from the ones usually done. The engagement with the user with not only the presentation but also using pictures in a dynamic way made the presentation engaging for the user. |
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| What is the most significant thing that this speaker could improve upon? |
| Given that this new way of presentation is rather interesting, a presentation does require presentation. The use of dynamic image showing was fascinating, however it disappears after some time. A presentation would have been greatly appreciated and would have made the current presentation better as the content seemed very intriguing. |