CSCI-471 Professional Communications

Research Presentation Evaluation Form – Video Presentations

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Speaker: Jacob Verdesi Topic: Where to Map? The Iterative Rover-Copter Path Planning for Mars

# 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 \_91.5\_/100 | |
| Did the presentation reflect adequate preparation? | | Yes | No |
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| **Visuals and Video** | | | | | | Score | \_100\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The Speaker’s... | Comments: The visuals were very well integrated in the presentations. I liked how the content was well structured to use the images in order to explain the slides well. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 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 | \_95\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The presentation had... | Comments: I think that there was a bit too much for the content in the slides. It would have been a better idea to make the points more direct and smaller, thereby allowing them to be like guiding points to the script that was spoken by the presenter. It was a good presentation by the excesses of words, even though it might seem “to the point and enough” still can be modified to make it better. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | sufficient content provided |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | appropriate explanations |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | sufficient examples provided |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | the right scope for audience |

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| **Organization** | | | | | | Score | \_80\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The Speaker... | Comments: The overall presentation was done really well, however time was not managed well enough. Since the duration was supposed to be from 10 to 13 min long. I don’t see this as a professional thing to do. Given how good the presentation was, this was quite the unexpected. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 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 | \_91\_/100 |
| Strongly Disagree | Somewhat Disagree | No Opinion | Somewhat Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A | The Speaker... | Comments: The Contributions slide, if I am not mistaken, briefly explained the main points that the paper addresses. I liked how he brought about these points briefly in earlier on in the presentation. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 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?  The presentation theme could not have gotten any better. The start of the presentation, with the Mars rover being shown gave a sense of high engagement and smart delivery by the presenter. The theme hugely impacted on the topic of the presentation and added value to the entire presentation. |
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| What is the most significant thing that this speaker could improve upon? |
| Time. Given how good the presentation was, it was a let down to see about 1 min and 20 seconds being just the last slide without any explanation to it. |