

# Session 1 – The Basics of Speech

McCraney 9:00-9:50 a.m.

## Week 1

- 👉 Introduction to Public Speaking
- 👉 Types of Speeches
- 👉 Preparation for Speech 1 - Introducing a class member
- 👉 **Homework - Read and annotate Chapter I - Acquiring confidence before an audience, and answer questions 1-7. Read and annotate Chapter XI - Fluency through preparation.**

## Week 2

- 😓 **Speech 1 - Introducing a class member (3 minutes)**
- 👉 Review fluency
  - 👉 Knowledge
  - 👉 Preparation
- 👉 Understand your audience
- 👉 Speech 2 assigned - Your hobby in 4 minutes
- 👉 **Homework - Read and annotate Chapter XXXI - Making Conversation Effective.**

## Week 3

- 👉 The structure of a speech or essay
  - 👉 Introduction
  - 👉 Thesis
  - 👉 Supporting Points
  - 👉 Conclusion
- 👉 **Homework - Read and annotate Chapter XVI - Methods of Delivery. Answer questions 1-5. Outline of Speech 2 due.**

## Week 4

- 😓 **Speech 2 - Describe and (if possible) demonstrate your hobby (5 minutes)**
- 👉 Peer review speeches
- 👉 Speech 3 assigned
- 👉 **Homework - Read and annotate 'With the Mind's Ear' by Mortimer J. Adler (handout) and answer questions.**

## Week 5

- 👉 Learning how to listen
- 👉 Evaluating a speech
- 👉 Delivery skills intro
- 👉 **Homework - Read and annotate Chapter II - The Sin of Monotony. Answer questions 1-7. Outline of Speech 3 due week 6.**



## Week 6

- ☞ Effective research
  - ☞ Reason
  - ☞ Authority
  - ☞ Experience
- ☞ Meaningful analogies and anecdotes
- ☞ **Homework: Finish and practice your speech!**

## Week 7

- 😓 **Speech 3 - Open topic informative speech (5 minutes)**
- ☞ Peer review speeches
- ☞ **Homework - Watch the linked video. Answer the following questions.**



- ☞ What makes the story compelling?
- ☞ What is the transformative occurrence?
- ☞ What truths about the world are brought out?

## Week 8

- ☞ The power of narration
- ☞ Mission, context, plan, transformation (climax), and reflection
- ☞ A narration must include transformation and reflection
- ☞ **Homework - Create an outline for a personal narrative that follows the format discussed in class.**

## Week 9

- ☞ Vocal techniques
- ☞ **Homework - Read and annotate Chapter X - Feeling and Enthusiasm. Perform question 1 for a parent and have them sign off on it. Practice your narrative speech!**

## Week 10

- 😓 **Speech 4 - Open topic narrative speech (5 minutes)**

*Session 2 - Influence*

*Class Syllabus TBD*

