

The Oral Communication GE Requirement

The goal of the oral communication requirement is to prepare students to present information, evaluate ideas, and construct arguments in ways appropriate to interpersonal discussions, small group discussions, and/or public speaking engagements. A course fulfilling this requirement must do the following:

- 1) instruct students on these specific dimensions of oral communication:
understanding audience and setting, selecting and organizing information and/or constructing arguments, speaking with clarity and effect, listening effectively, and attending to disciplinary and cultural conventions of speaking and listening.
- 2) provide students with multiple opportunities to practice and develop their oral communication skills.