### LA City Summer Feedback 09-5 week

## **Suggestions for future students**

Everything we do, initiative should always be there. I would not hope for students to think that the professor will always make things easy for them, yet, you do so much. I can only advice those to follow with your instructions and anybody willing to do that—will do great!

Mary Grace A.

Do the "Outside Speech Critique" in advance. Also they should come to class prepared as participation points will greatly help with their final grade. *Shushanik K*.

I was surprised at how much structure and research was involved in writing a speech. I thought I would spend less time writing and more time practicing to work on my delivery. My advice to a new student would set aside a lot of time to work on speeches and to practice in front of a live person. Use the samples as guideline and stick to the structure for length and guidance. Try not to be absent as you really do benefit from all the lectures and speech critiques. *Tamar K*.

Be prepared for the work, but in the end it will help you become a better speaker. Jose L.

How other students affected me coming from so many different backgrounds. I greatly appreciated their interest in so many different topics about life. *Mark N*.

The new student should be prepared to look at public speaking as a science and not just as someone getting up and talking. *Robert S*.

#### Most valuable

The informative speech was most valuable because we spent a lot of time working on structure with the thesis running throughout, plus language and research. My progress has grown a lot since my first self analysis. *Trayanna E*.

My friends in class have been so supportive and I appreciate that fact. I used to think, "I have no friends in this class" but ever since I acquired new friends, I felt relieved. My fear of speaking disappeared after making new friends. It helped increase my confidence in my presentations. *Gloria R*.

I felt that everyone tries to support each other and encourage them to become better speakers. It really helped me increase my self confidence. One day we worked with entirely different people and it was a cool experience to gain their insight. *Kampeak V*.

#### **Define your progress**

I believe that I have come a long way. I went from being stuck on the introduction on my first speech to having a lot of confidence on my  $2^{nd}$  to last speech. Even my classmates agreed with my progress. I have gone from a below average to average. I can only hope with more practice I will become even better. *Bakar D*.

I see myself using more eye contact. I also see myself memorizing more of the speech. I see myself becomes one great public speaker thanks to this class. *Sophie R*.

# Rate the Class Assignments & Web page

I would give them both a 95%. It was very helpful and to the point. The examples on the webpage were great. I benefited a lot from the sample outlines. The articles and quizzes we did in class were a great learning tool. *Shushanik K*.

Everything in class was just right. Due to a short term of summer we had to move fast. I am amazed how much I learned in such a short time. This is good because I do not think I would have learned this much or put in the effort if the class were not fun! *Jose L*.

There were a lot of assignments, but I now realize they all had a purpose. They were like pieces to a puzzle. If you did all the assignments, which were on the web page then it helped to create a better understanding. It seemed rigorous but there was "method to the madness" and I am glad I did them. This was the only way to absorb this much information in such a short time. *Jonathon P*.