**ENGI 600, FALL 2017 SCHEDULE FOR 90-SECOND AND 10-MINUTE TALKS**

**90-Second talks (No slides). This is the kind of brief answer to “What are you working on?” that you will need to give multiple times during your career. Work to fill the entire 90 seconds, but you must stop at 90 seconds.** Your audience is general—smart and well educated, but not at all familiar with your research topic. Limit what you can cover to an aspect of your research. What is the research problem, why is it important, what do you do to solve the problem, what are potential applications? Your first sentence should make us interested in your work—consider linking it to an example everyone would understand—and link it clearly with the research you are reporting. Then go into details, but limit technical terms to those you can easily define for this audience. Close with a sentence that gives your takeaway idea and links with your opening sentence.

**10-minute talks (5-10 slides),** including a cover slide**. Not memorized except for the first and last sentences; use slides as your guide. The name in parentheses is the introducer.**

**Role of the Introducer:** Talk with the speaker ahead of time so that you can say what the talk is about and interest us in the topic. Do not read the speaker’s name and talk title from the screen. Two to four sentences, max. End with “Please help me welcome xxxx.” At the end of the talk, thank the speaker and lead the discussion. Get to class early so that you can assign the discussion topics before the class starts.

Discussion topics: Discussion topics to be assigned by the introducer:

1. A question (technical)
2. A question from someone not in the field – what didn’t you understand?
3. One particularly good aspect of the talk
4. Effectiveness of opening and closing sentences
5. Research problem clearly identified
6. Results (clearly stated and with sufficient evidence)
7. Unique contribution: What is NEW? (Clear takeaway message)
8. Possible applications
9. Comment on one particularly good slide; identify a slide that needs improvement
10. Comment on presentation techniques (loud enough, slow enough, looked at everyone and not at the screen, effective gestures, etc.)
11. One constructive suggestion for improvement

**90-second talks**

**Wednesday, September 27 Thursday, September 28**

1.Jiangtan Yuan Bryce Willey

2.Josh Bradley Hesam Talebiya

**Wednesday, October 4** **Thursday, October 5**

1.Zeliang Chen Satya Rao

2.Afsaneh Rahbar Eleni Litsa

3.Carl Bernier Zhouhan Chen

4. Giovanni Scorrano

**Wednesday, October 11** **Thursday, October 12**

1.Lee Chen Kat Kundrod

2.Wenya Shu Runhua Zhang

3.Shuai Jia Michelle Kim

4.Beidi Chen Andrew Erwin

**Wednesday, October 18** **Thursday, October 19**

1.Yaxuan Wang Sibo Gao

2.Priscilla da Silva Amit Jain

**10-minuteTalks (5-10 slides). Not memorized except for the first and last sentences; use slides as your guide. Send me ONE key slide for my comments at least 2 days before your presentation. The name in parentheses is the introducer.**

**Wednesday, October 25 Thursday, October 26**

1. Lee Chen (Priscilla) 1.Satya Rao (Bryce)
2. Jiangtan Yuan (Josh) 2.Eleni Litsa (Giovanni)

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**Wednesday, November 1 Thursday, November 2**

1. Beidi Chen (Lee) 1.Runhua Zhang (Andrew)

2. Zeliang Chen (Jiangtan) 2.Giovanni Scorrano

3. Shuai Jia (Yaxuan) 3.Michelle Kim (Hesam)

**Wednesday, November 8 Thursday, November 9**

1. Josh Bradley (Beidi) 1.Kat Kundrod (Amit)
2. Wenya Shu ((Shuai) 2.Zhouhan Chen (Runhua)
3. Carl Bernier (Zeliang) 3. Andrew Erwin (Satya)

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**Wednesday, November 15** **Thursday, November 16**

1. Afsaneh Rahbar (Wenya) 1. Sibo Gao (Michelle)

2. Priscilla da Silva (Carl) 2.Bryce Willey (Kat)

3. Amit Jain (Zhouhan)

**Wednesday, November 29** **Thursday, November 30**

1. Yaxuan Wang (Afsaneh) 1. Hesam Talebiyan (Sibo)
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