

## CMSC 634

### Project Presentation Grading Rubric and Guidelines

Project presentations must be at most 15 minutes long. I will give you hand signals when you have 5 minutes left, 2 minutes left, and when time is up. When time is up, you must stop and you will not get credit for slides you didn't present. Practice your talk thoroughly so you do not waste time saying things in a verbose confusing way.

Presentation style matters a great deal. Not only do you get points for good grammar, flow of speech, etc., but without high quality oration I may not give you credit for good content because I don't understand you. Practice practice practice!

Presentations are graded out of 25 points.

Points	Presentation style
5	Clear, speech flows, good grammar, slides complement speech
4	Too much on slides, or making audience work too hard
3	Reading off slides and/or presentation is boring
2	Presentation is hard to follow
1	Presentation is totally confusing

Points	Motivation for project
5	Clear, compelling
4	Sort of compelling
3	Not compelling
2	Not clear
1	Almost absent

Points	Contribution
5	Clear, convincing, substantial
4	Clear, convincing, but small
3	Not obviously useful
2	Not clear
1	Almost absent

Points	Experience/Discussion
5	Clear, I learn something
4	Clear, I learn a little
3	Clear, but I learned nothing
2	Not clear
1	Almost absent

Points	Context
5	Synthesize related work into a useful structure, clear description of this structure, compelling description of how your work fits and adds to the existing body of knowledge
4	Mention related work, but do not organize it into a consistent whole and describe how your work fits into that structure
3	Clear description of related work, but I do not find your work a compelling addition to previous work.
2	Not clear
1	Almost absent