

Homework Assignment #1, Evaluating Scientific Presentations

This assignment consists of *two* parts. Be sure to complete both!

Part 1: Attend the **13th Annual Physics Undergraduate Research Symposium** in lieu of class on Friday, January 31. The symposium begins promptly at 2:00 PM in Room 141, Loomis Laboratory. Attendance is mandatory.

Listen critically and analytically to the student speakers and ask questions during the Q&A. Then write a brief summary evaluation of each presentation using the [review evaluation form](#) posted on the course website. Pay attention not only to the physics content of the presentations but also to the speaker's effectiveness in communicating his or her main ideas. Make sure your criticisms are honest but constructive and would provide useful feedback to the speaker.

Part 2: On the last page of the evaluation sheet, rank the three best speakers and justify your opinions (two or three sentences for each speaker).

Due: **Friday, February 7, 6:00 PM**. Email copies to *both* Professor Beck (dhbeck@...) and Celia (cmelliot@...). Please use the file-naming convention described in the course-information sheet. Assignments submitted after the deadline will be downgraded.

This assignment is not eligible for rewrite points.

Total—50 points