UPFRONT Persuasion Through Presentation



If you want to succeed in your role and enhance your ability to influence others, you must be a strong presenter. Employees of large corporations, small businesses or solopreneurs are discovering the ability to deliver a persuasive presentation that is clear, concise and compelling is the key to building credibility and moving audiences to action. Presenting data alone is not sufficient.

**UPFRONT Persuasion Through Presentation** (UPFRONT) equips you with the ability to construct and deliver a persuasive presentation. The workshop focuses on how to *construct* a powerful presentation and how to most effectively *deliver* your message. During the workshop, you will focus on an upcoming presentation and directly apply the techniques and processes to enhance your real-world presentation.

#### **Presentation Flow**



There is a natural flow to the design, (Groundwork/*preparation, Engage/open, Develop/body and Close*). Within each section, participants will build a presentation that reflects their own style and real-world issue.

## **UPFRONT's Unique Value**

The workshop allows participants to:

- Self-manage fears and nerves
- Master the ability to engage the audience, bring content to life and close with commitment
- Use a presentation planning tool for efficient content preparation and organization
- Influence with both verbal and non-verbal skills
- Rehearse and receive video recorded feedback for selected real-time business presentations
- Integrate visual aids seamlessly
- Incorporate feedback and reinforce improvements

### Standard Session Length: 2.5 days Customizable

## Who Should Attend?

- Scientists, Engineers and Technicians
  - Project or research status/findings
  - Association presentations
  - Requests for funding
- Managers and Executives
  - Board presentations
  - o Town Hall meetings
  - Company or group updates
- Support Staff
  - Capability overviews
  - Solution proposals
  - Technical training
  - $\circ \quad \text{Safety reviews} \\$

Anyone who is required to persuade a small or large group of people to take action could benefit from this course.

#### **Post Session Coaching**

One-on-one follow-up behavioral coaching sessions will reinforce the workshop concepts and contribute to breaking habits.

- Create a new presentation
- Video recorded practices
- Slide make-overs
- Other presentation challenges (eye contact, nerves, voice projection, gestures)

# Outcomes by Module

Key Learnings	Learning Outcomes – Presenters will
<b>Presentation Practices – Video recorded</b> Incorporates peer feedback, personalized behavioral coaching, and immediate opportunities to progressively learn from each video.	<ul> <li>Build self-awareness while accenting strengths and eliminating distracting behaviors.</li> <li>Cultivate polished and influential body/gestures/vocal attributes</li> </ul>
Integrating Visual Aids Design visuals to engage the audience and ensure a clear and concise message. When presenting slides, learn where to stand and how and when to direct the attention of the audience to the slide.	<ul> <li>Avoid the trap of overly complex data-oriented slides that result in reading the slide and overwhelming the audience.</li> <li>Use visual aids effectively to support, clarify and emphasize points in a compelling and memorable manner.</li> </ul>
Groundwork Use self-management techniques to overcome fears and discomfort. Prepare a message in a persuasive presentation by knowing the makeup of the audience, their needs or concerns and what key points they will be most interested in.	<ul> <li>Be thoroughly and systematically prepared for key presentations using a presentation planning tool that ensures a method for consistently assuring relevance to the audience.</li> </ul>
<b>Delivery Skills</b> Use voice techniques, body movement, gestures and eye contact to enhance, rather than undermine, a presentation	<ul> <li>Demonstrate credibility and confidence through the choice of words, vocal tone and body language.</li> </ul>
Elements of Structure         Engage       Effectively and quickly engage the audience         with a captivating opening, a focused agenda       and clear action expectations.         Develop       Deliver a clear, concise, compelling message         using convincing elements to create a logical       storyline that builds from point to point.         Close       Summarize key points for optimum retention,         call for audience action and close with a clear       core message.	<ul> <li>Frame the presentation to capture audience interest and willingness to listen in the first moments of the presentation.</li> <li>Bring the presentation to life with a memorable and clear message.</li> <li>Effectively deliver a targeted close that moves the audience to action.</li> </ul>
Handling Questions & Answers Learn the P.A.U.S.E. technique to respond to common and challenging questions.	<ul> <li>Respond with clarity while remaining focused, confident and calm during the Q&amp;A period.</li> </ul>