

# **From Routine to Riveting: Ten Tips for Engaging Presentations**

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**Wednesday, May 14 | 2:30-3:20PM | Wallace Library, Room 3420**

**Welcome! Please take a seat.**

# Session Goals



To **discuss** strategies which may help to make presentations more engaging



To **identify** at least one strategy which could work for your teaching style in the future

# Ten Tips for Engaging Presentations

# **1. Do not read from your slides**

## 2. Follow the KISS method for slide design

**K**ee**P**    **I**t    **S**upe**r**    **S**imple

### **3. Chunk information into short segments with frequent check-ins**



## **4. Use pictures and graphs to convey information when relevant**

## 5. Tell a story





## 6. “Stage Presence”



# 7. Contrast / Conflict is Memorable!



## **8. Practice your presentation, whenever possible**

## 9. Embrace imperfection



# 10. Have fun!





## **Exit Ticket:**

**Name one tip you may try in the future.**

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