

# Speaking Support

## Oral Communication Resources for Students and Faculty

### Oral Communication Tutoring at the Hume Center

Trained Oral Communication Tutors (OCT) offer assistance to students preparing for in-class presentations, pitches, conference talks, job interviews, job talks, and other speaking occasions. Whether students are in the initial brainstorming stages or polishing a final draft, OCTs can offer personalized advice and coaching throughout the presentation process. Appointments are held at the Hume Center for Writing and Speaking (Building 250). Undergraduate and graduate students may visit [www.speakinghelp.stanford.edu](http://www.speakinghelp.stanford.edu) to book an appointment.

### Weekly Drop-In Workshops

**Thursday English Afternoons (T.E.A.) at the Hume Center.** Oral communication and writing tutors are available to guide casual English conversation practice in this weekly drop-in session designed for undergraduate and graduate multilingual learners. T.E.A. is held during weeks 3-10 on Thursdays, in Autumn, Winter, and Spring from 4:00-5:30 pm in Room 102, Building 250.

**Vocal Yoga** is a weekly drop-in vocal warmup session designed to get your voice in shape! Led by Tom Freeland ([thomas@stanford.edu](mailto:thomas@stanford.edu)), Vocal Yoga meets on Wednesdays from 12-1 at the Graduate School of Business. Open to the entire Stanford community. For meeting location information, visit: <https://undergrad.stanford.edu/programs/oral-communication-program/oral-communication-workshops>.

### Resources for Faculty

**Consultations.** Academic staff are available to consult with you about refining your professional presentations, delivering lectures, and facilitating seminar discussions.

**Course Support.** We also work with faculty and instructors to enhance your students' speaking skills through our in-class workshops and tutoring program. Trained OCTs come to your classes to work with students on presentation planning, to provide feedback, facilitate rehearsals, and video record presentations. We also work with faculty to design speaking assignments that integrate speech training in a way that aligns with a course's content and structure.



### For more information

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