Spring Semester 2005 Schedule: Communication 241, Public Speaking

Matanuska-Susitna College

Thursday: 1-3:45 & 7:00pm-9:45pm FSM 206

Critique of a Public Presentation: 100Pts.

Purpose

The purpose of this assignment is to give you an opportunity to critique a speaker of a public presentation and to participate as an audience member in a setting outside the classroom.

What You Must Do

For this assignment you must attend a public presentation and then critique the speaker(s). Your critique should be in the form of a short paper of around 500 words. Be sure to critique the speaker rather than provide a summary of the presentation. The following are not acceptable presentations to critique: a church service or sermon, a sales presentation at the fair, anything on television (you must attend a live presentation), a classroom lecture (though you may attend a non-class or special lecture) or a presentation with fewer than five audience members.

How You Will Be Evaluated

You will primarily be evaluated the thoroughness of your critique, but a poorly or sloppily written paper will be devalued.

Tips

- Don't wait until the end of the semester to begin looking for a presentation to attend—get this assignment over with.
- Use the Evaluation Sheet that we use for critiquing presentations in class as a guide—see Blackboard.
- Relax and enjoy critiquing this presentation.

Schedule

You have all semester to accomplish this assignment.