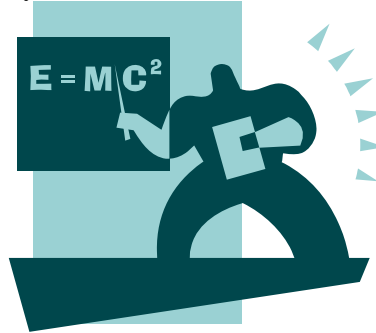


The Performing Professor

An experiential workshop to enhance your teaching and presentation skills



Research has shown that good teaching must excite and inspire student to learn. And today, to achieve academic success new professors must not only produce excellent research; they must also produce results in the classroom. That means that recruiters will be looking for effective teaching skills when they assess your job talk.

To motivate students to learn, professors need to project an energy and passion for the topic at hand. If teachers don't project their own interest and excitement, how can they expect students to actively engage in the learning process? Simply put, good teaching requires a level of "performance." More specifically, classroom performance involves strong and dynamic vocal projection, clear diction, physical energy, and a presence that draws and holds students' attention and helps them identify key learning points.

This workshop will engage you in a number of exercises created to train actors. Each exercise will challenge you to move beyond your familiar comfort zone and explore means of expression that are fun as well as effective. Wear comfortable clothing that you can move in, and expect to get fully involved.