



**EASTBIO Transferable skills 2019-20**  
**Presentation skills workshop (*first-years only*)**  
**Training leader: Dr Joanna Young**

This course has two components:

- 1) Students will video record themselves giving a 10-minute talk then they will submit the video to the workshop leader (videos will be kept private).<sup>1</sup> The video will then be viewed and each individual will receive feedback in writing specifically tailored to them. The feedback will be sent in advance of the final presentation day.
- 2) Students can then adjust their presentations based on the feedback. They will also take part in a two-hour class training session on presentation skills.

### **Timeline**

- **8 April 2020**: Students will video record themselves giving a ten-minute talk and will submit their videos online to the workshop leader by the deadline. Individual feedback to be received directly after the live session).
- **17 April 2020**, 10:00-12:00: 2-hour class workshop & distribution of feedback from videos.

**Online delivery** via a link to be emailed to registered students.

### **Online Workshop content**

- Introduction to presentations
- Short communications
- Oral presentation design & delivery
- Figures and information visualisation
- Group exercise

### **Workshop summary**

Researchers are frequently under pressure to communicate their information verbally, whether it is an oral presentation, in a group meeting or an interaction at a conference. Performing well in a keynote presentation or impressing at a chance meeting is important for facilitating collaborations and building relationships with future employers. Public speaking is a key component to a successful career, both within academia and beyond.

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<sup>1</sup> Read the EASTBIO Privacy Notice [here](#).

This workshop will cover various situations that researchers are faced with regularly with regard to presentations. We will cover oral presentations, how to get the most from your poster session at a conference and how to pitch your research. Effective verbal delivery and engagement takes practice and participants will be introduced to various techniques that they can use and adapt to a variety of situations. We take a step by step approach to presentations, building up from initial short research pitches to longer conference talks so participants can gain confidence.

Prior to the workshop, all participants are required to submit a video of themselves delivering a 10-minute talk on their research project. This will be viewed and individual feedback will be provided (in writing at the end of the workshop) so that participants can apply it when designing future talks.

For any questions about this training, please email EASTBIO at [enquiries@eastscotbiodtp.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@eastscotbiodtp.ac.uk).