

English for Academic Purposes
(doctoral) Course
VV041

Autumn Term 2013

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Course Instructor

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Education:

- MA in English / History & PhD in Political Science
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 - Academic Public Speaking
 - Academic Writing
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Course objectives

After completing this course you will be able to:

- **determine and explore principles of the effective public speaking;**
- **recognize various organizational patterns found in academic speaking;**
- **prepare and give an academic presentation on a topic from your field;**
- **analyze speech for topics, main ideas, and public speaking significant details;**
- **recognize different organizational patterns in speech in delivery and reception;**
- **adjust communication to different tasks.**

Teaching approach

- **+/-9 course weeks** (no sessions on 26th Sept; 3rd Oct; 21st Nov; 12th Dec)
- input sessions
 - lectures, F2F discussions, online discussions
- practical activities
 - presentations, F2F discussions, online discussions

Materials

- IS Study materials
 - F2F classes
- IS interactive syllabus
 - independent study
- IS (or other) discussion forum
 - collaborative activities

Requirements

- **Active** participation in:
 - presentations
 - F2F discussions
 - online discussions

Assessment

- pre-session presentation information (online)
 - title
 - abstract /short info
 - relevant sources
- 15 minute presentation with a follow-up discussion (5 minutes)
 - informed audience (evidence of preparation)
- peer analysis / peer review
- after-session online discussion
 - obligatory entries

Self-study resources

<http://vjs.muni.cz>

Introduction

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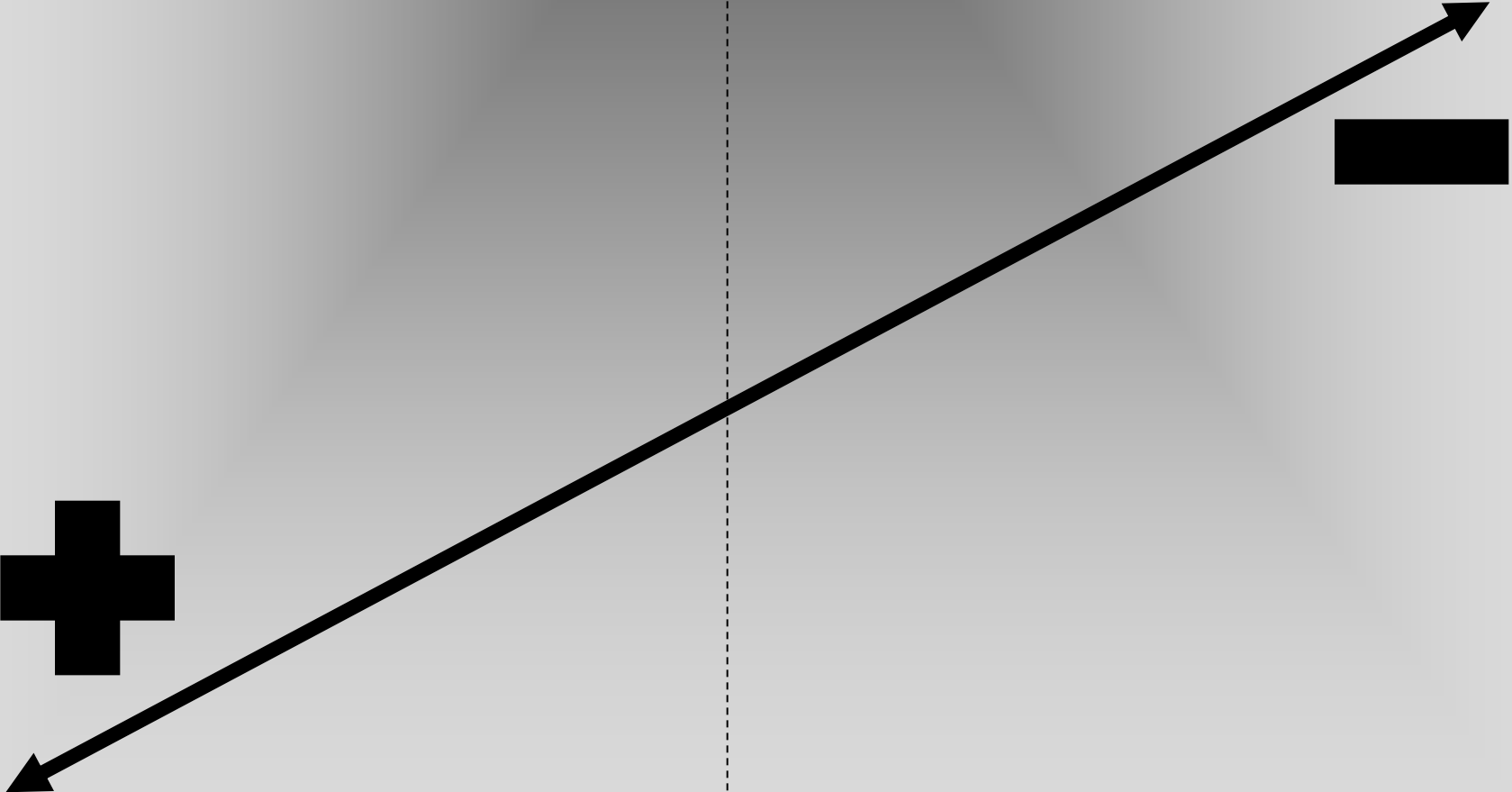
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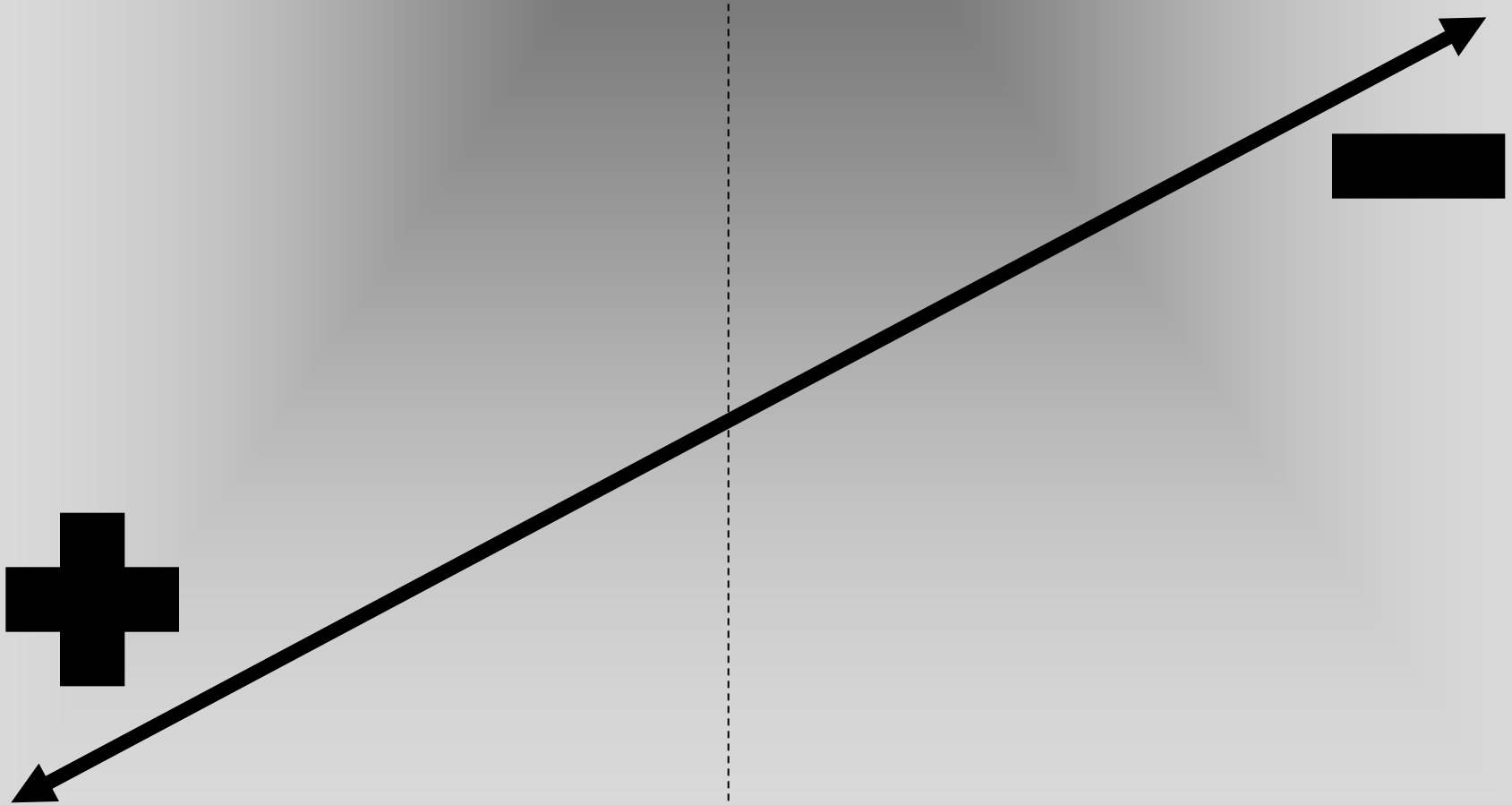
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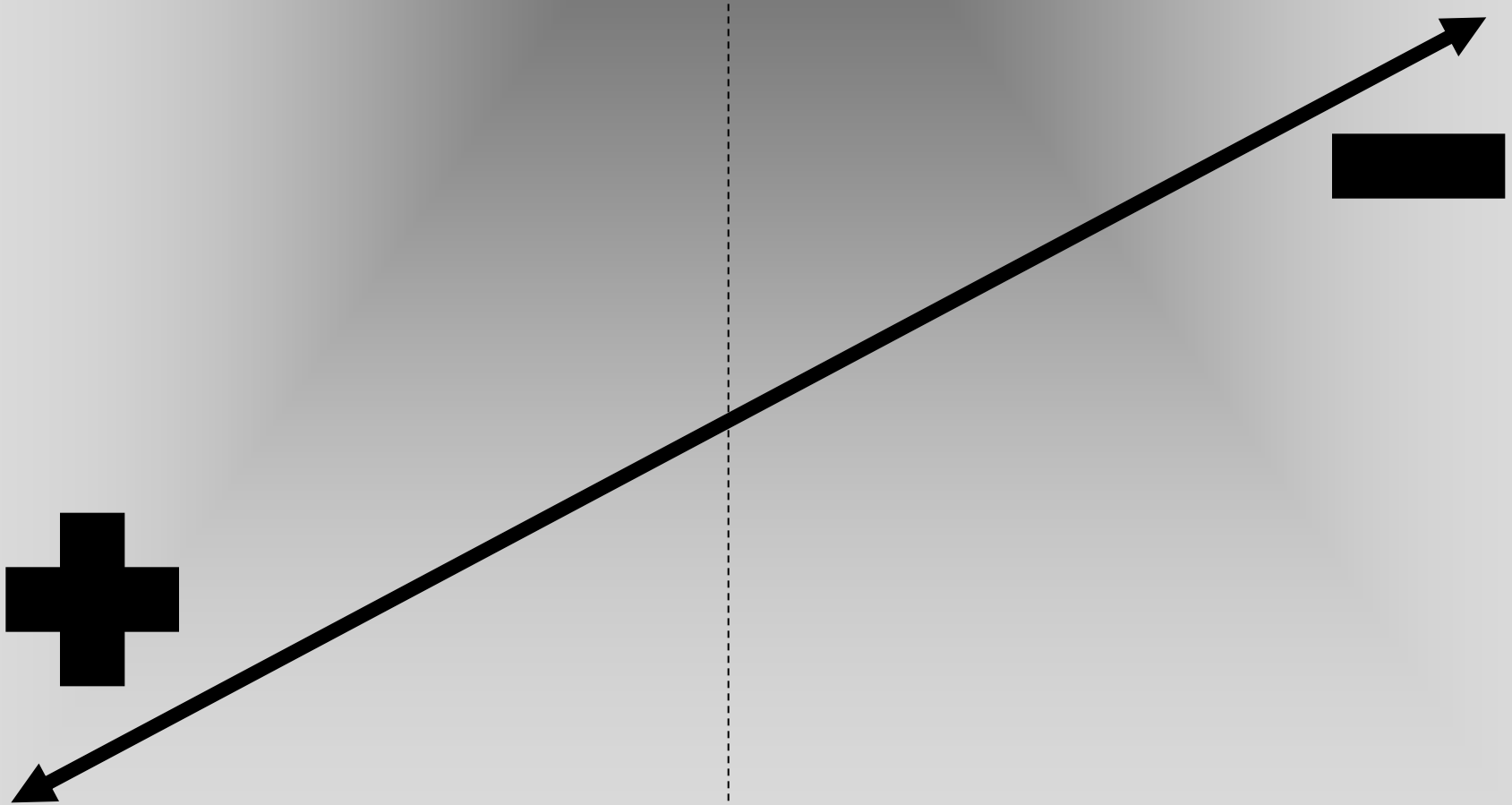
English



Public Speaking *(in general)*



Public Speaking in English



Public Speaking Sample

- Preparation
- Main Point
- Delivery
- Visuals
- Best Point
- Weakest Point
- [Rives](#)



Home activities

- 1) Search the Internet for videos of academic presentations from your field. Choose a presentation you consider to be of high quality. Post the link to the video to the VV041 IS discussion forum and, in a few sentences (150 words max), explain or justify your choice.

Deadline: 26th September

- 2) Watch the videos of your colleagues and comment on their quality. Express your agreement or disagreement or any additional comments you would like to share with your colleagues.

Deadline: 3rd October