COMMUNICATING SCIENCE
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Chemistry 299, 699, 901
(0 - 2 credits)

Weekly schedule: Fridays, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., Room B371 Chemistry
Other times and locations to be announced

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Goals: Learn science and develop effective skills and styles for communicating science
to different audiences in a variety of settings.

Resources: 1. Science Is Fun Student Public Presentations Demonstrations Booklet, Rodney
Schreiner, Linda Zelewski, Bassam Shakhashiri (2009)

2. Experiments You Can Do at Home, www.scifun.org

3. Chemical Demonstrations: A Handbook for Teachers of Chemistry, Bassam Z,
Library

Attendance, Participation, and Expectations:

1. Weekly attendance on Fridays.
2. Weekly study, practice, and research work individually and in groups of four.
3. Engage in scholarly work on topics related to the course (to be announced.)
4. “Master” at least eight different demonstrations.
5. Participate in at least four (4) presentations in public events (see schedule.)
6. Devote, on average, five to six hours per week.
7. Write report (s) and end-of-semester reflection paper.
8. Have fun!

Attire: proper dress for course/lab work/presentations (shoes, pants, covered midriff);
Safety GLASSES; A Science is Fun T-shirt ($12.00) to wear to all of our public
events (give T-Shirt order form to Stacy)