



# APS Professional Skills Training Making Scientific Presentations: Critical First Skills

**January 18-21, 2007**  
***Disney's Coronado Springs Resort***  
**Lake Buena Vista, FL**

<b>Thursday, January 18, 2007</b>			
<b>6:00 – 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Registration</b> Pick up notebooks, take to room, and bring nametag and jacket to orientation session	<b>Scarletta Whitsett</b>	<b>Fiesta 1-4 Lobby</b>
<b>7:00 – 7:45 pm</b>	<b>Orientation Session</b> Introductions Welcome Course Overview Reimbursement Meet with small group	<b>Dale Benos</b> <b>Mary Anne Courtney</b> <b>Elizabeth Eldon</b> <b>Thomas Schmidt</b> <b>Melinda Lowy</b>	<b>Fiesta 3/4</b>
<b>7:45 – 8:30 pm</b>	<b>Bus to Epcot Center (departs at 8:00 pm)</b>		<b>Monterrey Circle</b>
<b>8:30 – 9:30 pm</b>	<b>Dessert Party</b> <b>Viewing of “IllumiNations: Reflections of Earth”</b>		<b>Epcot Center, Italy Isola West</b>
<b>9:45 pm</b>	<b>Bus returns to Coronado Springs Resort</b> Bus runs until midnight; participants may choose to stay and return to hotel later		

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**Friday, January 19, 2007**

<b>7:30 – 8:15 am</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>		<b>Fiesta 1/3</b>
<b>8:15 – 8:30 am</b>	<b>Announcements</b>	<b>Melinda Lowy</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>Session 1: Introducing Yourself</b>			
<b>8:30 – 8:50 am</b>	Interactive session: “All About Me”/Developing an Introduction	<b>Thomas Schmidt</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>8:50 – 9:20 am</b>	Plenary session: Do’s and Don’ts of Introducing Yourself	<b>Robert Hester</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>9:20 – 10:00 am</b>	Writing and practicing your introduction	<b>Small Groups</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>10:00 – 10:15 am</b>	<b>Break</b>		
<b>10:15 – 11:00 am</b>	Giving your introduction – Getting feedback	<b>Small Groups</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>

<b>Session 2: Elevator Talk</b>			
<b>11:00 – 11:30 am</b>	Plenary session: Elevator Talk	<b>Annabell Segarra</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>11:30 am–12:30 pm</b>	Interactive session: Writing your elevator talk	Small groups	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>12:30 – 1:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		<b>Fiesta 1/3</b>
<b>1:30 – 3:00 pm</b>	Giving your elevator talk – Getting feedback	Small groups	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>3:00 – 3:15 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>		

<b>Session 3: Writing a Powerful Meeting Abstract and Title</b>			
<b>3:15 – 4:45 pm</b>	Plenary session: Writing a Meeting Abstract and Title Interactive sessions: Re-writing titles Brainstorm a better title	<b>Mary Anne Courtney</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>4:45 – 5:45 pm</b>	Critiquing your abstract	Small groups + Speakers	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>

<b>5:45 – 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Computers available</b> (no Internet)	Available in Business Ctr	<b>Fiesta 10</b>
<b>7:00 – 8:30 pm</b>	<b>Dinner and introduction homework</b>		<b>Durango 1/2</b>
<b>8:30 – 9:30 pm</b>	<b>Discussion Groups (optional)</b> <b>Minority issues breakout</b> <b>General training issues breakout</b>	<b>Melinda Lowy,</b> moderator <b>Thomas Schmidt,</b> moderator	<b>Rooms to be announced</b>

<b>Saturday, January 20, 2007</b>			
<b>7:30 – 8:15 am</b>	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>		<b>Fiesta 4</b>
<b>8:15 – 8:30 am</b>	<b>Announcements</b>	<b>Melinda Lowy</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>Session 3: Writing a Powerful Meeting Abstract and Title – cont'd</b>			
<b>8:30 – 9:30 am</b>	Critiquing your abstract cont'd	Small groups + speakers	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>9:30 – 9:50 am</b>	Case Study #1	Small groups	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>9:50 – 10:30 am</b>	Case Study #2/Authorship Case Study #3	<b>Dale Benos</b> <b>Thomas Schmidt</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>10:30 – 10:45 am</b>	<b>Break</b>		
<b>Session 4: Writing a Poster</b>			
<b>10:45 – 11:30 am</b>	Plenary session: Writing poster text	<b>L. Gabriel Navar</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>Session 5: Designing a Poster</b>			
<b>11:30 am–12:15 pm</b>	Plenary session: Designing a Poster	<b>Rayna Gonzales</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>12:30 – 1:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		<b>Fiesta 4</b>
<b>1:30 – 3:15 pm</b>	Critiquing your poster text and design	Small groups + speakers	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>3:15 – 3:30 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>		
<b>3:30 – 5:00 pm</b>	Poster critique feedback	Small groups + speakers	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>5:00 – 5:30 pm</b>	List of poster improvements		<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>5:30 – 10:00 pm</b>	<b>Plan a Group Dinner</b>	Use your Disney Dollars!	

<b>Sunday, January 21, 2007</b>			
<b>7:30 – 8:15 am</b>	<b>Breakfast Buffet</b>		<b>Fiesta 3/4</b>
<b>8:15 – 8:30 am</b>	<b>Announcements</b>	<b>Melinda Lowy</b>	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>Session 6: Poster Presentations</b>			
<b>8:30 – 9:15 am</b>	Plenary session: Poster Presentations	Dale Benos	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>9:15 – 10:15 am</b>	Presenting your poster	Small group work + speakers	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>10:15 – 10:30 am</b>	<b>Break</b>		
<b>10:30 – 11:30 am</b>	Presenting your poster cont'd	Small group work + speakers	<b>Fiesta 7/8, 9, 10</b>
<b>Session 7: Wrap-up and Evaluation</b>			
<b>11:30 am – noon</b>	Plenary session - Evaluation	Melinda Lowy	<b>Fiesta 7/8</b>
<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>“Hasta Luego” Boxed Lunches to go</b>		<b>Fiesta 3/4</b>
	<b>Departures to airport</b> Check your <i>Disney’s Magical Express</i> information for your assigned bus time		