**Selected Unsolicited Emails from Students in Oral Communication Classes**

My name is --- and I was in your --- class this semester. We ran into each other a couple times during and after class and you even made a compliment regarding my attendance, which was much appreciated.

I just wanted to thank you for a wonderful semester and bestowing on me lessons and guidelines I can use in future schooling, upcoming business and casual circumstances and assisting me in developing, maintaining and creating relationships between friends and family, peers, and coworkers. I learned a great deal in your class and from your lectures, which were nothing short of intriguing and interesting.

You did an excellent job at graduation and FSU is lucky to have you. Although, I graduated last night, I hope to remain in contact. You were an outstanding professor and a great influence on me and all of your students.

Best wishes and thank you for allowing me to learn amongst my fellow Seminoles this year.

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I am writing this email on behalf of my brother --- and I, ----. I hope you remember us. We were in you public speaking class last spring, and we just wanted to reach out and say thank you! With what we learned in your class about job interviews and overall communication skills, we were both able to successfully get jobs as analysts for Deutsche Bank in Jacksonville! It was a whirlwind summer that had us move from Miami but following you advice, we went where the jobs were!  
  
Once again, we just really want to thank you for all you taught us in that short semester. We are both extremely excited about our opportunities with the bank and it was all made possible because of Florida State and professors like you.  
  
We hope this semester is treating you well, and we will be sure to stay in touch!!  
  
Thanks again for everything!

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Hey professor ---, I just wanted to say thank you. Deciding to take your class was one of the best decisions I have ever made. I do not think I ever formally introduced myself, but my name is --. I'm a junior majoring in political science.  I was the kid who routinely came in a few minutes late for your MWF class at 1:25, and I always sat in the front. I hope I was not too much of a burden coming in late! I do not know why I had such a problem making it on time, and I apologize for that.

Anyways, I want to thank you for making a mandatory intro speech class one of the most useful classes I have taken. I have never had problem speaking to an audience, so I really did not think I would learn much in this class, but you taught me things I will use for the rest of my life.

This past summer, I went to Officer Candidate School for the Marine Corps, which is basically boot camp for officers. Your lecture on the elements of powerful talk was extremely informative, and I use those tools everyday when I'm in charge of my own platoon. I also thought your lectures on resumes and job interviews was very helpful.

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Hi Professor --,  
  
I truly appreciate all of your teaching this past semester in speech. I learned more life skills than in any other class I have ever taken and have already used a lot of strategies that I learned from you! Your self-disclosures have also given me more confidence in my speaking skills in social situations.   
  
Thank you so much for all you do ...   
  
Best wishes,

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First I'd like to tell you how much i enjoyed your class i really got a lot out of it. I used to be in sales and i would always use a lot the skills that we talked about in this class while performing that job but I never really related those skills to the more social aspects of life. But now that I've become more conscious of my ability to influence people through facial expressions and other skills we've covered in this class it's really benefited my social life. I came into this class thinking it was just something i had to get done but I actually gained more from it then most of the classes I've taken in college so thank you for that.

Second, I stumbled across this video a few weeks ago and have been meaning to send it to you. I realize you may not be a big Ron Paul fan but i think this is one of the best political ads I've ever seen and i really think you'll appreciate it. I felt like they do an excellent job of both combining both pathos and logos into the message.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XKfuS6gfxPY>

once again thanks for everything

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    Thank you so much for the touching email! The situation with my sister was difficult (and still is), but she is doing SO much better. We Skype multiple nights a week and I see her on the weekends when I can. I was not planning on bursting into tears mid-speech, but it was heart-warming knowing that my classmates and professor were so understanding and supportive of the situation.

    Your class has definitely been my favorite course I've had at Florida State, and I appreciate you as both a teacher and mentor. Thank you so much for the extra points! (I had a 93.8 last time I checked so I was sitting right on the border between an A and A-) Having your class has made me realize how much I value communication and has inspired me to make the decision to minor in it. (And hopefully go to London next summer... Fingers crossed for that!)

    Thank you so much for this past semester! It was truly wonderful and I hope to see you more next year.

Yours Truly,

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