STAND UP, SPEAK OUT!
Be Bold. Be Heard.
380 – Public Speaking Contest

We are excited to hear your speeches and to see all of you STAND UP, SPEAK OUT!

**Competition Rules:**
1. Speech contest takes place on **Friday, April 17th at 3:00 p.m. in the SC&I building.** To register for the competition, go to: [https://bit.ly/2TBYZBl](https://bit.ly/2TBYZBl)

2. Student eligibility for the competition is based on past completion and or current enrollment in the 380 Public Speaking Course. Past contestants **may compete again if** they did not advance to the Final Round of prior competitions. Dr. Nikolas Linardopoulos will check all students for eligibility.

3. Check-in for the competition takes place in **SC&I Lobby, (2nd floor)** starting at **3:00 p.m.** You must arrive to this location by **NO LATER than 3:20 p.m.** or you will be disqualified from the competition. Keeping on time is important for this competition to run on time and smoothly.

4. Each person will compete in 2 preliminary rounds of competition. Meaning, you will give your speech twice in front of two different judges and two different sets of competitors. Guests of speakers for support are welcome in these rounds. Guests must arrive to your room on time!

5. The judge will consider three factors when assessing each speaker: 1. Content; 2. Delivery; 3. Effectiveness. One important note is that all speeches are to incorporate **at least 2 oral citations** in their speech. It is important that judges can hear the support you are using for your speech, orally. You can review the ballot and specifics on the Public Speaking website.

6. Each speaker will receive a rank and score in relationship to the other competitors. The top ranked competitors will advance to the **Final Round.**

7. The **Final Round** takes place at approximately **6:00p.m., in SC&I – room 212.**

8. Your speech **must be no longer than 7 minutes.** You will be given a **20 second** grace period, if you go over then you will be disqualified from that round of competition.

**Etiquette:**
1. Dress attire: each person should dress to impress. Business casual to professional!
2. Each speaker should very briefly introduce themselves to the judge: Name and title of speech
3. Use of notecards is acceptable. Memorization is **not** required.
4. Visual Aides: each competitor will need bring their aides on a jump drive to use. Make sure to arrive at least 5 mins early to the start of your round so as to bring up your slides for your speech.
5. Do **NOT** arrive late to your round, or walk-in while another competitor is speaking.
6. If you have any questions, concerns, etc. please contact the contest coordinator, Dr. Erin Christie at echristi@comminfo.rutgers.edu.

**Reception:**
Everyone is invited to a reception starting at **5:30PM in SC&I Rm. 212.** Food and drinks will be provided.