

Table 1. Student responses\*to evaluation of OP preparation

<b>Question</b>	<b>Students rating it “helpful” or “very helpful.”</b>	<b>Students rating it not “very helpful “or “did not participate “or “does not apply.”</b>
Observing the oral reports of the .622 students	10	0
Writing short memo about .622 presentation	9	2
Brainstormed with partner to answer questions in class	8	2
Listened to faculty talk about OP	11	0
Practiced with communication instructor and received feedback	10	0
Practiced with communication instructor AND peers and received feedback.	3	7
Practiced on my own with partner.	10	0
Practiced with our advisor and/or showed him/her presentation outline.	2	8
Seeing presentation on big screen.	10	1
Standing up in front of a small audience and talking about our work.	9	2
Hearing communication instructor comments.	10	0
Hearing peer comments.	5	6
Being able to ask questions about our work and discuss it.	10	1
Answering practice questions.	7	4
Practicing with presentation equipment	11	0

\*Eleven students out of 14 responded. Not every student answered every question. Students reported that they practiced 12 times with communication instructor and at least 45 times on their own with their partners .