

ECNS 432  
Group Presentation Guidelines

-Presentation Length: 12 min. (strictly enforced!)

-Discussion/questions: approx. 3-5 min. (or however much time is remaining at the end of class)

-I expect your group members to roughly share equally in the presenting duties. For example, if there are three of you, then consider having one person present the Intro and Data sections, one present the Methods section, and one present the Results and Conclusion section (or something like that).

-I am expecting the general format of your presentation to follow the below structure:

-Introduction

-What is the research question?

-Why do we care? Why is this important? What is the motivation?

-Very briefly describe the findings (this isn't a mystery story where we leave the audience in suspense)

-Data

-Discuss the data used in the paper.

-Methods

-How do the authors answer their question? What is the intuition underlying their empirical approach?

-All the papers have econometrics in them. I encourage you to try to slog your way through the econometrics the best you can. However, in your presentation, I want you to focus your discussion on the intuition of their approach. For example, if your paper is a "travel cost" paper, then I would expect you to describe the intuition behind a travel cost model.

-Results

-Discuss the paper's findings.

-Conclusion

-Summarize the question and re-state the important "take-away" result(s).

-Also, discuss the limitations of the paper and where future research on the topic might want to focus.