



PSC 3001 Senior Project Proposal Evaluation Rubric

Student Name: _____

Total Score: _____

Senior Project Title: _____

1) Writing Basics (5 possible points)

Score: _____

- Free of errors in punctuation, spelling, and grammar
- Appropriate use of scientific language
- Well-phrased sentences that are varied in length and structure
- Well-organized paragraphs with effective transitions

2) Formatting and References (10 possible points)

Score: _____

- 1500-2000 words in length
- Double-spaced lines, 1 inch margins, 12 point font size, and numbered pages
- Numbered, descriptive captions for all figures and tables
- A thoughtful and interesting title
- Properly cited references based on the following professional format:
 - Biology/Chemical Biology: American Physiological Society
 - <http://www.the-aps.org/mm/Publications/Info-For-Authors/Composition#references>
 - Biology/Chemical Biology: Cell
 - <http://www.cell.com/authors#sections>
 - Chemistry/Chemical Biology: American Chemical Society
 - <http://library.williams.edu/citing/styles/acs.php>
 - Physics: American Physical Society
 - <http://publish.aps.org/files/styleguide-pr.pdf> (see pages 7-8)

3) Scientific Content (35 possible points)

Score: _____

- Abstract (3 points) _____
- Introduction (5 points) _____
- Related Work (5 points) _____
- Objectives (3 points) _____
- Materials and Methods (5 points) _____
- Sustainability (2 points) _____
- Budget (5 points) _____
- Timeline (5 points) _____
- Key Personnel (2 points) _____
- *Please refer to the PSC 3001 Spring 2014 – Senior Project Proposal Requirements document that is posted on Blackboard for more specific content instructions.*

4) Comments: