Research Proposal Guidelines

Length: 3 pages maximum (one additional page allowable for figures)

Checklist:
- Margins: 0.75 inches minimum
- Font: 10 point and larger
- Spacing: single or space and a half
- Other: applicant’s name and page number should appear on each page
- Each proposal should include the information below, in the order listed.

Applicant’s Name:

Applicant’s e-mail address:

I. Proposal Title

II. Proposal Abstract (200 word max.)

II. Proposal Detail

   a. Background
   b. Clearly stated hypothesis or project goal
   c. Methodology / Experimental design
   d. Data analysis (proposed statistics)
   e. Forseeable technical difficulties
   f. Timeline (start and end dates; for SURE applicants, week-by-week break-down)
   g. Project goal – whether publication, presentation, senior thesis, report for research for credit
   h. References / Literature Cited (5 maximum)

III. Resources Needed – briefly address the following:

   a. Technical assistance (Expertise contacts for science background, statistical analysis, etc.)
   b. Budget (available vs. unmet need, if applicable)
   c. Other logistics (transportation, time constraints, assistance or equipment needed)
   e. Institutional approval – radiation safety training, use of animals training, scientific collection permits, vaccinations or titers required, etc. Your faculty mentor will help you determine what is needed. All requirements must be met before you begin working on your project.

IV. Mentor’s Name and Signature

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