

Guidelines for qBio final project

For the final project, you'll make a 30 minute oral presentation and hand in a write-up about your project on a topic of your choosing.

Topic selection

Any topic that is relevant to any module of the course may be selected. **Please submit a one or two paragraph description of your topic in advance.** Topics relevant to work in your lab (thesis or rotation) are encouraged. You should also feel free to choose topics that overlap with other coursework, so long as they are still relevant to this course.

Groups

You may work in groups of two, or by yourself. If you choose to work in a group, you'll do one joint presentation and hand in one report. You'll receive a common grade for both your talk and presentation if you choose to work in a group.

Written Report

There are no page limits for the report; in the past 5 – 10 pages has been about right, but you should feel free to depart from this as appropriate (keep in mind that length is not a measure of quality, and concise writing is a virtue). You'll want to be a bit more formal than for the homework projects.

Oral Presentations

You should plan for your oral presentation to be 30 minutes long, including questions. Your oral presentations will be videotaped. You'll receive a DVD of all of the presentation given in the class as a souvenir of your accomplishments.

Due Dates

Your presentation will be scheduled for May 25th, June 1st or June 7th. The report is due June 8th (11:59 PM).