

Ant 216 - Writing and presenting your dissertation proposal

Spring 2016

Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00-10:20 am; Young 210

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Objectives

- 1) Write a fundable grant application, following the NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement (NSF-DDRIG) Grants application guidelines:
 - http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=gpg
 - Archaeology and Archaeometry: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2015/nsf15554/nsf15554.htm>
 - Biological Anthropology: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2014/nsf14561/nsf14561.htm>
 - Cultural Anthropology: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2015/nsf15556/nsf15556.htm>
- 2) 20 minute presentation of your proposal to your peers, major professor and other faculty
- 3) Practice writing, revising, and reviewing

Assessment

- XXX possible points
- Weekly new submission (3 pts x X = XX)
 - 0=if you do not submit (no late assignments are acceptable), 1=submission contains the bare minimum, 2=acceptable submission, 3=reflects full, thoughtful effort
- Comments on your colleagues' submissions (X pts x X = XX)
 - 0=if you do not submit (no late comments are acceptable), 1 pt for comments on each colleague
- Revision of the previous week's work (3 pts x X = XX)
 - 0=if you do not submit (no late assignments are acceptable), 1=submission contains the bare minimum, 2=acceptable submission, 3=reflects full, thoughtful effort
- Practice presentation - exact time TBA (40 pts)
- Final presentation - exact time TBA (50 pts)
- Final proposal -- by 5 pm Thursday 9 June upload to your SmartSite folder and submit to your major professor by email, with a cc to me (50 pts)
- Three meetings with your Major Professor (15 pts x 3 = 45)
- Attendance and active participation in the course (2 pts x 20 = 40 pts)
 - 0=if you are absent without a valid excuse, 1=if you attend but don't participate, 2=if you are an active participant

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Structure of the course

- During the quarter we will work our way through developing an NSF-DDRIG proposal. Generally speaking:
- Each week on Tuesday we will introduce a topic.
- Over the course of the coming week you will draft your text for this topic. This text will be due before class on the following Tuesday -- submit to the weekly folder on SmartSite. Your file name must start with your Last Name_DDRIG_new text (Steele_DDRIG_Data Management Plan).
- From class on Tuesday until class on Thursday you will comment on each others' text. These files should retain their original name plus your name at the end (Steele_DDRIG_Data Management Plan_Weaver) and be submitted to each person's personal folder.
- In class on Thursday we will go around the group and discuss each person's proposal in turn.
- The following Tuesday, in addition to your next text on the new topic, you will revise the text that you just received comments on.
- ALL this text will be maintained in one document. We will start with an outline of your proposal. Through the course of the quarter, you will be filling in this outline.

Week	Tuesday	Thursday
1	<p>March 29 <i>Lecture:</i> introduction to course <i>Discussion:</i> introduce your research projects</p>	<p>March 31 <i>Lecture & Discussion:</i> parts of your proposal & granting agency requirements <i>Before class:</i> •read NSF guidelines •review sample NSF proposals •wiki on grants</p>
2	<p>April 5 <i>Lecture:</i> Samples & Methods <i>Discussion:</i> sample proposals <i>Before class:</i> Submit your initial draft of proposal Read sample proposals in your field-parts</p>	<p>April 7 -- Mark leads <i>Discussion:</i> your research questions & overall proposal structures <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues</p>
3	<p>April 12 <i>Lecture:</i> Background & Hypotheses <i>Discussion:</i> sample proposals <i>Before class:</i> Submit your expanded Samples & Methods and revised outline Read sample proposals</p>	<p>April 14 <i>Discussion:</i> Samples & Methods <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues</p>

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4	<p>April 19 <i>Lecture:</i> Project Summary, Intellectual Merit, & Broader Impacts (and “Transformative”) <i>Discussion:</i> sample proposals <i>Before class:</i> Submit your expanded Background & Hypotheses and revised Samples & Methods Read sample NSF project summaries</p>	<p>April 21 <i>Discussion:</i> Background & Hypotheses <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues Submit notes of meeting with Major Professor</p>
5	<p>April 26 <i>Lecture:</i> Budget -- Yoke Dellenback; DDS external grants <i>Before class:</i> Submit your expanded Project Summary with your Intellectual Merit & Broader Impacts statements and revised Background & Hypotheses Read sample proposal budgets</p>	<p>April 28 <i>Discussion:</i> Project Summary, Intellectual Merit, & Broader Impacts <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues</p>
6	<p>May 3 <i>Lecture:</i> Titles, Data Management Plan, Schedule of Proposed Research, CV & Facilities <i>Discussion:</i> sample proposals <i>Before class:</i> Submit your expanded Budget and revised Project Summary with your IM and BI Read sample NSF extra parts</p>	<p>May 5 <i>Discussion:</i> Budgets <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues</p>
7	<p>May 10 <i>Lecture:</i> Tables & Figures; preparing presentations <i>Discussion:</i> sample proposals; Presentation guidelines <i>Before class:</i> Submit your expanded Title, Data Management Plan, Schedule of Proposed Research, CV & Facilities and revised Budget Review example Tables & Figures</p>	<p>May 12 <i>Discussion:</i> Data Management Plan, Schedule of Proposed Research, CV & Facilities <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues</p>

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8	May 17 <i>Discussion:</i> non-NSF proposals <i>Before class:</i> Review non-NSF proposals Submit your expanded Tables & Figures and revised Title, Data Management Plan, Schedule of Proposed Research, CV & Facilities	May 19 <i>Discussion:</i> Where do you stand? <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues Submit notes of meeting with Major Professor
9	May 24 two practice talks: XXX (20 minutes for each talk, with 20 minutes for each discussion) <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues	May 26 two practice talks: XXX (20 minutes for each talk, with 20 minutes for each discussion) <i>Before class:</i> Submit comments to your colleagues
10	May 31 two practice talks: XXX (20 minutes for each talk, with 20 minutes for each discussion) <i>Before class:</i> Submit draft of final proposal Submit comments to your colleagues	June 2 Wrap-up <i>Discussion:</i> Projects in detail Submit notes of meeting with Major Professor
11		June 9 - Thursday Upload your final proposal to your SmartSite folder by 5 pm and submit to your major professor by email, with a cc to me.