

SUGGESTED CRITERIA FOR INDEPENDENT STUDIES READING PROJECT IN BIOLOGY (3 credits) BIOL 377

Your dissertation should be a well presented exposition of the subject showing:

- (i) a diligent search of the literature for relevant source material,
- (ii) a clear exposition of the material in a logical and structured scientific format,
- (iii) evidence of reference to original source material (not just rely on reviews / books),
- (iv) consistent and accurate referencing of the text,
- (v) critical analysis of the material,
- (vi) ability to synthesize a structured argument,
- (vii) clear and possibly novel insights into the subject.

Length: approximately 6,000 words

Number of references: about 25

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approximately 2,500 words

Number of references: 9