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

For a 1-credit project: BIOL 413
approximately 2,500 words
Number of references: 9

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