BIOL 3030W
Draft Schedule (subject to change, so check Blackboard for updates)

I: Introduction
In class: Logistics and course description
   write a paragraph
   the importance of revisions
Readings due by 10 AM: text chapters 1-4

II: Writing and Revision
In class: Quiz on the syllabus
   Discussion of week 1 writings
   Write a persuasive essay
Readings due by 10 AM: Register and get to know Chat GPT
   Write 1 or 2 sentences per chapter on what information was most helpful in chapters 1-4

III: Plagiarism, Chat GPT, and your own voice
   Plagiarism discussion
   Legitimate uses of Chat GPT: Prof May Cheung, HNS
Readings due by 10 AM: text chapter 5
Homework and writing: all due by 10 AM:
   • Revise your essay from week 1, upload to Blackboard SafeAssign
   • Return your original handwritten essay to the instructors
   • Write 1 or 2 sentences on what information was most helpful in chapter 5

IV. Writing a scientific abstract
In class: Quiz on use of Chat GPT and plagiarism
   How to find peer reviewed papers
   Discussion of writing and AI programs
   Write an abstract of a paper
Writings due by 10 AM:
   • Revise your persuasive essay from week 2 (9/5/23).
   • Then type out your essay as you wrote it and submit it to Chat GPT or another AI program. Ask the AI to correct and revise your essay
   • Submit 1 file, with 4 sections:
     o Your revised essay from last week
     o The Chat GPT essay on the same subject
     o A 1 paragraph comparison of your revised essay and Chat GPT
     o A 1 paragraph critique of the Chat GPT essay: what was good and what was bad
   • There will be only 1 submission chance. You will see the SafeAssign report. DO NOT PANIC if SafeAssign says your revised essay is copied from your original draft or if the Chat GPT essay gets flagged as copied.
   • Also, bring to class your original essay!!
   • Write 1 or 2 sentences on what information was most helpful in chapter 9
V: Peer reviewed (IMRAD) papers -I
Choose a paper from the recent peer-review literature that you want to discuss in detail. Bring a PRINTED COPY of the paper to class—you may choose a paper related to your major review paper
Guidelines for your review major paper
How to read an article: AL and PL
How to outline
In class writing: Outline the discussion section of your article
2
Readings due by 10 AM: text chapter 10-13
Writings due by 10 AM:
Write 1 or 2 sentences on what information was most helpful in chapters 10-13
2

VI: Peer reviewed (IMRAD) papers -II
Catch-up from 9/26
Guidelines for your major review paper
Finding and reading a popular press article
Bring in your peer reviewed paper again.
In class: write a review and analysis of the paper. Hand in your review and analysis with a copy of the paper.
4
Writings due by 10 AM:
Revised abstract
4

10/9/23: Indigenous People’s Day

10/10/23: No Class; Monday Schedule
Writings due by 10AM:
For your major paper, submit the topic (working title) and summary paragraph
2
Outline a popular press article (list the article title, author(s), and source at the top)
2

VII: Research paper format IMRAD-III
In class: EDIT your review and analysis (swap writings and discuss)
4
Present your popular press article in class from your outline or the corrected outline
2
Readings due by 10 AM: text chapter 23
Writing due by 10 AM
First draft outline of your paper including a bibliography
1
Write 1 or 2 sentences on what information was most helpful in chapter 23
0.5

VIII: IMRAD-IV
Discussion on reading IMRAD papers
In-class writing: Write a popular press article about your peer-reviewed paper
2
Read your popular press article in class
1
Writings due by 10AM:
Final revision of your review and analysis of a peer review
4
IX: BOO!!!! Citations and Bibliography
Continued presentations (if needed)
In-class discussion: citation styles and bibliography
Readings due by 10 AM: text chapter 15
Writings due by 10AM:
  Write 1 or 2 sentences on what information was most helpful in chapter 15  0.5
  Revised and expanded outline of your review paper  2

X: Theme and thesis; Organization of your review paper
Writings due by 10AM:
  Annotated bibliography due ≥10 papers, each annotated; the 5 papers you will review in your review should be marked *, and the reasons for their inclusion noted  1

XI:
In-class discussion

XII: Catch up on assignments
Writings due by 10AM on that date: First draft of review paper  8

XIII: Revising first drafts: In-class discussion

XIV: In-class discussion

Final review paper due  25
LAST day to submit materials before INC or F grade is issued

Points for class participation  15
Sum of points:  100