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Office Hours: Monday 2:30 - 3:30 PM, Tuesday 3:00 - 4:00 PM, and by appointment

Course Format: Lecture/discussion once a week

Required Textbook: None

Prerequisites: Graduate Standing in Geoscience or Consent of Instructor

Purpose of this Class: This class is intended to guide students through the process of designing, constructing, and delivering a poster presentation at a scientific research meeting. A secondary topic will be the time management skills and planning required to meet a project deliverable; i.e., poster presentation.

Learning Outcomes: After successfully completing this course, students will be able to: 1) identify the attributes that define a high-quality scientific poster; 2) design a poster presentation on a topic related to their own research; 3) produce a poster using Adobe Illustrator and other graphics tools; and 4) present their poster to a critical audience at the UNLV Spring 2018 Geosymposium.

Grading policy: Final grades will be assigned according to the following schedule. The instructor may also elect to curve the final grades in the students favor.

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Final Grades will be computed as follows:

Assignments 40%
Recorded elevator talks 10%
Research progress log 10%
Presentation at Geosymposium 40%

100%

Notes:
Students will be provided with an updated syllabus if significant changes are necessary.

Students taking this course are required to be familiar with the UNLV academic polices at the URL shown below.