Individual Project Grading Criteria
Winter Ecology

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- Individual Projects: 30% of Course Grade

–See online Presentation Guides for details and tips re these criteria–
<http://culter.colorado.edu/~kittel/WinterEcology_Week6Sched.html#ProjectPPtGuides>

I. Content [70]
   A. Introduction [20]
      1) Clear **statement** of question
      2) **Relevance** of question to winter ecology
      3) Originality, depth, and plausibility of question
      4) **Support** for question with relevant literature
   B. Methods [10]
      1) Study design – appropriateness of field methods for question
      2) Implementation of design, discussion of limitations
   C. Results [20]
      1) Logical presentation of results – e.g. progression of key points
      2) Analysis – Clear understanding of your field results
   D. Discussion & Conclusions [20]
      1) Scientific interpretation of results
      2) Discussion of implications – tie back to Intro and literature
      3) Future research?
      4) Conclusions – only summarize, nothing new (last slide before Lit Cited)

II. PowerPoint Presentation – Visual Clarity and Technical Aspects [10]
   A. Structure – descriptive title, organization of sections, etc.
   B. Course name, etc. on slide // Presentation author, title, keywords, etc. in notes
   C. Slide (& handout, if any) layout – text readability, graphics clarity (labels, legends), etc.
      1) Avoid animations and sounds
   D. Grammar – spelling, paragraph & sentence structure, etc.
   E. Consistent & complete citation format in text and Literature Cited slides.
   F. Filename following prescribed format

III. Oral Presentation [10]
   A. Clarity of presentation
   B. Timing \( \Delta t = \_ \_ \_ \)
   C. Engagement with audience
   D. Formulating clear answers to audience’s questions

IV. Effort [10]
   A. Overall participation in project

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