

Final assignment: Mini grant proposal (2 pages max.)

Due Dec. 1, 2015

The assignment is due in class on Dec. 1. The assignment has to be submitted **in hardcopy in 12 copies**. Late submissions will not be possible. We will be using these proposals to have a mock grant panel in class on Dec. 3. We need that many copies so that each student can review proposals from half of the class.

Write a miniature grant proposal, using **at most 2 pages of text**. The first page should contain your aims, and the second should address significance and innovation. The second should also contain one figure. You can print single-spaced, but use a 12pt font and at least a 1-inch margin on all sides. **Do not write your name** onto the proposal, **write instead your identification number**.

Identification number: _____

Assume the proposal is for a three-year fellowship for yourself to complete your PhD research. The proposal will be evaluated by a foundation that funds graduate research in all areas. Assume that the grant will cover your stipend plus research expenses, and that you don't have to address any budgetary issues in your grant application. Reviewers will be instructed to evaluate the proposal according to the following guidelines:

1. What is the significance of the research?
2. Is the project well thought-out and does it address an important question?
3. Is the project feasible and likely to be completed after three years?
4. Does the proposer have the necessary skills and resources to carry out the research?
5. Is the proposed research innovative and timely?