Research Proposal for Geosc500 Issues in Geosciences, Fall Term, 2013

Proposal Evaluation Panels: Each proposal will be evaluated by a panel of your peers. Panels will be responsible for evaluating 5 proposals. Panels will meet in early December. Panels will write a summary of each proposal, based on their panel meeting, using the format below. Panel summaries will be distributed prior to our final class meeting. Each panel will choose a top proposal from their group. Marone & Fisher will also evaluate each proposal, for grading purposes.

Key dates and items for Panel Review.

Due Date (on or before), activity
- Nov. 22 Proposals distributed to panels.
- Nov. 25 Panel members assign a lead reviewer for each proposal. This is a group activity and we expect that you will self organize.
- Dec 3 Panels schedule a 1.5 to 2 hour minute meeting.
- Dec 4 Panels assignments and meeting plan due (submit via Angel dropbox). This is a required activity. One person from each panel will submit this information.
- Dec 10 Panels meet and discuss proposals. The lead panel member for each proposal drafts a summary and each panelist reads and comments on the summary prior to the end of the meeting.
- Dec 10 Panel summaries due (submit via Angel dropbox).
- Dec 11 Each panel will lead a discussion of their evaluation process with examples of highlights from the proposals they evaluated.

Panel Summary Format (a paragraph or two in length)

The panel should include these items:

1. Objective of the proposed work:
   A sentence or two about the main goals of the project

2. Intellectual Merit and Potential Impact of The Proposed Work
   A sentence or two about the main strengths and weaknesses of the project. Comments about weaknesses should be constructive and couched as, for example: The proposal would be stronger if it…

3. Summary
   A few sentences summarizing the panel discussion.