

BIO121: Portfolio Project Rubric

Criteria	Meets Expectation	Approaches Expectation	Below Expectation	Limited Evidence
Content, Research, and Analysis				
	25-30 Points	19-24 Points	13-18 Points	7-12 Points
Requirements	The Portfolio includes all of the required components, as specified in the assignment.	The Portfolio includes most of the required components, as specified in the assignment.	The Portfolio includes some of the required components, as specified in the assignment.	The Portfolio includes few of the required components, as specified in the assignment.
	33-40 Points	25-32 Points	17-24 Points	9-16 Points
Content	Demonstrates strong or adequate knowledge of the species or natural area, depending on which Portfolio Option is selected; correctly represents knowledge from the readings and sources.	Some significant but not major errors or omissions in demonstration of knowledge.	Major errors or omissions in demonstration of knowledge.	Fails to demonstrate knowledge of the materials.
	33-40 Points	25-32 Points	17-24 Points	9-16 Points
Critical Analysis	Demonstrates strong or adequate critical analysis of the threats posed to the selected topic and how to address those threats.	Some significant but not major errors or omissions in critical analysis.	Major errors or omissions in critical analysis.	Fails to demonstrate critical analysis.
	33-40 Points	25-32 Points	17-24 Points	9-16 Points
Pamphlet: Synthesis and Evaluation	Pamphlet demonstrates strong or adequate synthesis and evaluation of data collected and analyzed regarding threat mitigation for selected topic.	Some significant but not major errors or omissions in synthesis and evaluation.	Major errors or omissions in synthesis and evaluation.	Fails to demonstrate synthesis and evaluation.

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	17-20 Points	13-16 Points	9-12 Points	5-8 Points
Sources	Cites and integrates at least 10 credible sources.	Cites and integrates 9-8 credible sources.	Cites and integrates 7-6 credible source.	Cites and integrates 5 or fewer credible sources.
	17-20 Points	13-16 Points	9-12 Points	5-8 Points
Application of Source Material	Sources well or adequately chosen to provide substance and perspectives on the issue; knowledge from the course linked properly to source material.	Some significant but not major problems with selection and linkage of sources.	Major problems with selection and linkage of sources.	Source selection is seriously flawed; no linkage to knowledge from the course.
Mechanics and Writing				
	17-20 Points	13-16 Points	9-12 Points	5-8 Points
Organization	Project is clearly organized, well written, and in proper essay format including an introduction, body, and conclusion. Conforms to project requirements.	Small number of significant but not major flaws in organization and writing; is in proper essay format. In a minor way does not conform to project requirements.	Major problems in organization and writing; does not completely follow proper essay format. In a significant way does not conform to project requirements.	Project is not well organized or well written and is not in proper essay format. Does not conform to project requirements.
	17-20 Points	13-16 Points	9-12 Points	5-8 Points
Grammar and Style	Strong sentence and paragraph structure; few or no minor errors in grammar and spelling; appropriate writing style; clear and concise with no unsupported comments.	Small number of significant but not major errors in grammar and spelling; generally appropriate writing.	Inconsistent to inadequate sentence and paragraph development; work needed on grammar and spelling; does not meet program expectations.	Poor quality; unacceptable in terms of grammar and/or spelling; inappropriate writing style that interferes with clarity.

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Demonstrates proper use of APA style	Project contains proper APA formatting, according to the CSU-Global Guide to Writing and APA Requirements, with no more than one significant error.	Few errors in APA formatting, according to the CSU-Global Guide to Writing and APA Requirements, with no more than two to three significant errors.	Significant errors in APA formatting, according to the CSU-Global Guide to Writing and APA Requirements, with four to five significant errors.	Numerous errors in APA formatting, according to the CSU-Global Guide to Writing and APA Requirements, with more than five significant errors.

Points: 250