**Updates from summer**

* Carbon fiber is not working with the printers
  + Randomly stops
  + Heat issues with extruder most likely issue
* ABS isn’t working quite right
  + Not much to show
  + Eric’s got it working though --------------yay
  + T1 T4 damaged and undamaged
  + Had to keep printer in box and towels to keep it warm enough

**DATES**

* 2/1/2022: submit at least 4 discussants to participate Thesis Conference
* Feburary 2022: submit publication information in Thesis Conference Program
* March 28, 2022: Draft thesis due via email
  + Recommended March 18th
* **April 8, 2022: Thesis Conference**
* **May 2, 2022: Final thesis due**
* May 18, 2022: Citation Ceremony

**STRUCTURE**

* September: Gemstone senior orientation
* First month of semester: Complete data analysis
* After first month to beginning of last month: Draft Chapters 4 (Results) and 5 (Discussion/Conclusions) of the thesis.
* End of Semester: complete draft
* End of semester: draft team presentation Team Thesis Conference rehearsal

**KEEP IN MIND**

* Keep the team website updated, particularly for potential discussants.
* Work on revising the thesis based on completed research and suggestions from expert contacts/future discussants, and your mentor and librarian.
* While drafting thesis, continue to adhere to the identified research style, as well as the University of Maryland Graduate School Thesis and Dissertation formatting standards.

**Dr. Mitchell**

* When to stop Data collection and focus on drafting?
* Halting Carbon Fiber PLA? (David)
* Realistic contributions after Dr. Mitchell’s feedback on how much is necessary to do

**Future Meetings**: In person (typically ESJ) on Fridays, with Dr. Mitchell on Wednesday