

BIOL8700 Research Proposal
Literature Review (15% of total course grade)

Student Name:.....

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	Fail	50-60	60-70	70-80	80-90	>90	
REVIEW OF RELEVANT LITERATURE (70%)							
Background information: Superficial							Thorough, detailed
Understanding of theory: Limited grasp							Clear grasp of fundamental concepts
Analysis: Restricted to facts							Selective use and analysis of background information
Synthesis: Little integration of various ideas							Excellent integration, with context and clear direction
Relevance to research question: Background info irrelevant to proposed research question; No logical transition to proposed question							Clear link between previous studies and proposed research question; Excellent transition and integration of past research
FIGURES/TABLES (20%) Untidy, poorly labelled							Well structured, stand alone. Clear labels and legends
Add nothing to text, irrelevant							Well integrated with text, help explain principles
Copied from paper							Original student figures
PRESENTATION (10%)							
Overall Structure: Confused							Clear, logical structure
Syntax, Spelling, Grammar: Difficult to read, lacking fluency							Easy to read, fluent, clear and unambiguous
Citations: Citations lacking, format inconsistent							Wide range of sources, accurately referenced

Supervisor:.....

MARK (out of 100%).....

COMMENTS: