

BC701: Grant Proposal Writing and Reviewing

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Meeting time and place: Friday 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM ; MRB 230

(Unless otherwise specified, we will meet only on dates that are specified as Meeting Dates; see below)

Learning Goals:

- Develop and write an NIH F31 style Predoctoral fellowship application (will serve as draft for preliminary exam document for BMB students)
- Understand criteria for reviewing fellowship applications
- Understand the mechanism for reviewing fellowship applications

Assignments:

1. Score and review Sample NIH F31 Predoctoral Fellowship Application
 - A sample F31 proposal will be distributed, and all students will score and write reviews on this application
2. Write a *partial* NIH F31 Predoctoral Fellowship Application (NIH format)**
 - **Biographical Sketch** (≤ 5 pages; see example; include all components *except* the *Scholastic Performance* section): Due to Instructor for peer review **9/20/2019**
 - **Applicant's Background and Goals for Fellowship Training** (≤ 6 pages; see instructions for guidance): Due to Instructor for peer review **10/18/2019**
 - **All sections (with revisions), including Specific Aims and Research Strategy** sections: Due to Instructor for peer review **11/1/2019**
3. Review and Score Peer NIH F31 Predoctoral Fellowship Applications
 - Score and review application as primary, secondary, and tertiary reviewer (one application for each): due **11/8/2019**
4. Revised NIH F31 Predoctoral Fellowship Application: due **11/29/2019**
 - Revise all components of application to address critiques
 - Introduction (1 page) to address revisions to application
5. Review and Score Revised Peer NIH F31 Predoctoral Fellowship Applications: due **12/6/2019**

Meeting Date	Topic	Assignment
8/30	Fellowship Workshop (NIH and NSF)	-
9/6	Mock Study Section	Score and review Sample NIH F31 proposal
11/8	Initial Study Section (review of peers)	Score and review peer NIH F31 proposal
12/6	Final Study Section (review of peers)	Score and review peer NIH F31 proposal

**For page limits and a breakdown of the entire F31 application, see:

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide/format-and-write/page-limits.htm>