Oral Reports:

All the orals will be during the last part of semester. It should be a topic that has been decided between you and your TA. There is a list of Microbiology Topics on the Bio 210 webpage and a list of URLs titled (Bugs on Parade). You are not limited to these topics. You may even choose a topic from the newspaper (as long as it involves Microbiology). The topic must be approved by your TA and decided by the deadline listed in the lab syllabus.

This project will give the student experience in doing library research, computer research and giving an oral presentation. All students must submit a general brief outline of the report on the date listed in the lab schedule. A detailed outline is due on the day you give the oral presentation. Both of these reports should be sent electronically to the TA as well as handed in as a hard copy on the due date. The electronic version can be sent before the due date. A minimum of 3 references must be used for the report and included on the detailed outline. You must include 2 references from other sources besides the Internet, such as microbiology reference texts or scientific journals. You can use the Tortora textbook as 1 reference. You can have more than three references. References need to be written in the correct format.

The detailed outline will be used by your TA to attach the grade form for the oral report (see the point breakdown in the link to the oral reports grading).

The Oral presentation should be at between 10-15 and should not be more than 20 minutes long total. Allow some time for questions.

Students should use Power Point to do their presentation. There is a laptop PC and MAC available for the classroom. You should bring the report on a flash drive or CD. Make sure you test all the equipment ahead of time.

There will be examples of a brief and detailed outline available for observation.

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