

Science Seminar Alternative Assignment

Note:

The article summary assignment may be completed ONLY to fulfill the required number of seminars. *They may NOT be used for extra credit in any way.* Seminars or other qualified events will apply to the minimum number of required seminars *first*. (In other words, you may *not* fulfill the required number of events with article summaries, and then apply the seminars for extra credit.)

Credit & Due Dates:

Each article summary may be used to replace one seminar session. All article summaries must be received **electronically** by Friday, May 29 at 9:00 am. Please send from your **my.smccd.edu** account to insure that it will NOT be caught by a spam filter! If you wish to submit a hardcopy instead, it must be turned in prior to or at the FINAL EXAM.

Requirements:

- Select an article from a peer-reviewed scientific journal.
 - The article should be a full article (not a letter to the editor, or a note or short news item).
 - **Science** and **Nature** are two journals that should be easily accessible at the Skyline or local libraries and are written with a wide science audience in mind.
- Read the article thoroughly.
- **Article Summary to submit:**
 - *Article Reference:* Title, authors, journal, volume, issue, publication date, pages.
 - *Photocopy of the Article:* This may be the one you used for notes, etc. in reading the article. If you referenced an online journal, please print a copy of the text to turn in, or email it to me.
 - *Summary:* Clearly summarize the background of the problem or question investigated, the experiment(s) performed, findings, conclusions, and implications of the research or new questions.
 - *Length:* Approximately 2 pages (please do not exceed 3), word-processed, double-spaced 12-point Times New Roman font with 1" page margins.