



Deliverables for BNL Internships (1): Abstract for a General Audience & Project Presentation

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Required deliverables

- 1. Weekly Report, due on Thursdays by 3pm
- 2. DOE Pre-Survey for SULI, CCI, and VFP interns due end of week 1
- 3. Abstract for a General Audience 300 word limit
- 4. Project Report Paper Length between 1500 and 3000 words, excluding this report's abstract (approx. 5% of total), footnotes, appendices (< 3 pages), the bibliography, and similar items.
- 5. Poster, including an abstract 150 word limit for abstract
- 6. **Project Presentation (A PowerPoint of your project)**
- 7. Peer Review of Posters
- 8. BNL Departure Survey (complete before "leaving")
- 9. DOE Post-Survey for SULI and CCI interns due before leaving BNL



OEP Resource page at bnl.gov

https://www.bnl.gov/education/resources.php

Faculty Program

 Acknowledgement Reference
 Visiting Faculty Deliverables Requirements and Guidelines
 VFP Research Proposal Guidance

College Program

- Master Schedule
 Participant Weekly Report Template
 Peer Review Template
- Acknowledgement Reference

🔁 Exit Survey

1 Submit Weekly Reports and Deliverables

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Safety	at	Home

Poor office ergonomics, such as using an uncomfortable chair, prolonged sitting or lifting something too heavy can easily result in injury.

Make sure to take stretch breaks and develop an ergonomically friendly environment.

Poster References

🔁 Creating a Poster

- Sample Poster 1
- Sample Poster 2
 DOE Poster Logos
- BNL Poster Logos
- Acknowledgement Reference

Writing Guidelines

Virtual Internship Presentation

Virtual Internship Presentation

Peer Review Guidelines

Intro to Deliverables

Project Abstracts

Project Reports

Template (Blank)

Template

2020 Compilation

2018 Compilation
 2017 Compilation
 2016 Compilation

2015 Compilation
2014 Compilation

Internship Reports

2013 Compilation
2012 Compilation

DOE Exit Surveys

SULI Students

✓ VFP Students

C VFP Faculty

All College Participants: Complete this Exit Survey



Document Naming Convention

All document names must begin using the following template: Lastname_FirstInitial_Deliverable_week# or draft# or final Examples:

- stegman_m_weekly_1
- stegman_m_abstract_2
- stegman_m_report_final
- stegman_m_poster_final
- stegman_m_review_final
- stegman_m_abstract_final

Use_underscores_not_spaces



Collaborating & Submitting

- If you are part of a collaborative team, you only need to complete ONE abstract for a general audience, ONE report, and ONE poster.
- List all collaborative authors and simply swap the order for each deliverable when you submit your individual copy of a deliverable.
- Create a subfolder named FINAL DELIVERABLES in your SharePoint folder.
- Drop all deliverables in the FINAL DELIVERABLES SharePoint folder.



General types: Abstract for a General Audience, Project Report, Poster

Standard outlines:

• I – M – R – A – D

Introduction, Methods, Results, And Discussion

• Narrative, Process, et al.



Length: <300 words



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A summary of your BNL experience OR a research paper abstract

DOE format for Abstract for a General Audience

While you should touch on each of the following topics in this checklist, you need not organize them in this sequence.

- Discuss your activities including a definition of the institutional setting (BNL, NSLS II, RHIC, etc.);
- Highlight accomplishments;
- Discuss impact(s) on BNL research of your research;
- Describe relevance of your research activities to DOE program(s) or mission;
- Highlight lessons learned;
- Discuss the **professional growth and development** resulting from your appointment.



Abstract for a General Audience, Sample



Activities (inc. institutional setting)



Accomplishments



Impact on BNL research



Relevance (e.g., emerging technologies)



Lessons learned



Professional development



A summary of your BNL experience OR a research paper abstract

Alternate format for Abstract for a General Audience using a scientific research paper outline

- An introduction that succinctly describes and appropriately connects the subject and context/ background to the purpose of the investigation;
- A methods section that succinctly identifies the methods used to study the subject of the investigation;
- A results section that provides a succinct and specific explanation of what was discovered, accomplished, collected or produced;
- A discussion that provides a succinct interpretation of the results and evaluates what the results mean to the investigation, or when results were not obtained evaluates what the completion of the investigation could mean within a larger field.



Abstract for a General Audience, Sample

The Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) at Brookhaven National Laboratory requires a highly polarized proton beam for spin-polarization studies. During each experimental run, 250 GeV protons are elastically scattered from a carbon micro-ribbon target 10 µm wide and 50 nm thick to monitor the degree of proton beam polarization. Experiments have shown that the amorphous carbon targets have poor electrical conductivity, limiting their lifetime. Since RHIC operates continuously for several months at a time under ultra-high vacuum, it is costly and inefficient to use carbon targets with short lifetimes. Our study has examined the few micro-ribbons that serendipitously survived a recent RHIC experimental run. Transmission electron microscopy diffraction pattern analysis of the micro-ribbons shows that heating from the RHIC beam has crystallized

Introduction

approach co wafer mask.

similar to those found in the surv forms a solid solution within the §

Graphene is well known to have superior electrical material for the next generation of micro-ribbon tar

Methods

ods arbon micro-ribbon fabrication that will have superior material properties. One possible s of nickel and carbon on a silicon wafer through an anisotropically-etched silicon arbon micro-ribbons, we consistently achieve conductivity and crystallinity results

graphite. In addition to examining micro-ribbons fabricated by Collider-Accelerator Department

Results

/hen annealed at 700 °C, a 10 nm thick amorphous carbon layer recrystallizing as graphene on the surface of the nickel.

Discussion

ength, and may well prove to be an ideal t proton polarimetry experiments in 2015. As a

Professional development esignCAD,

result of this summer, I have added electron microscopy to m Additionally, I am now familiar with microfabrication processe NPGS, MathCAD, and Scandium.



Format for the Abstract for a General Audience

TITLE

• Include your title, even if it is not the final version. Be sure to capitalize **ONLY** the first word; no acronyms.

AUTHORS

• On a new line begin with yourself as the first author; include your school information. You mentor is the last author; include his/her BNL information.

TEXT

• Skip a line. Indent paragraph, double-space, 12 point Times Roman, flush left. Define all acronyms used more than once in this abstract. ONE paragraph only. 300 word limit, excluding title and authors.



Title/Author format example

Drag on an axially symmetric body in the Stokes flow of micropolar fluids

John J. Doe and Jane G. Smith, Department of Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA 02193

Author information template:

You, **Your School's** Department, Your College, City, State ZIP Your mentor, BNL Department, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY 11973



Format for the Abstract for a General Audience

One, double-spaced paragraph (< 300 words), indent first line, no justification.

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An Abstract in only 4 Weeks? Really?!

- How can I write a complete abstract after only 4 weeks?
- One idea: wireframe (an outline)
- Another: Sketch in all of the components
- Indicate missing info using placeholders
- Be speculative if necessary
- Get real by the end of the summer



Submitting abstracts and scheduling a conference

- Collaborative Projects: Submit ONLY ONE copy of each draft
- Save drafts as Word docs; save FINAL as PDF.
- Upload it to your SharePoint folder
- Drop-dead Deadlines: 5pm on 7/1, 7/22, 8/5
- Writing Teleconference sign-up: WAIT
- I'll indicate if I wish you to schedule a conference.



Project Presentation



Before you start

- Download the BNL presentation template with OEP notes and suggestions from the OEP resources page at bnl.gov.
- Open the PowerPoint doc and use "Save as..." to rename the doc with the OEP document naming convention.
- Using the prompts provided, complete the presentation's TITLE page with the following information:
 - Title (Use AIP Style Manual format only)
 - Your name, Your school, BNL Department, Mentor's name
 - Date of presentation



Available slides you can use





Slide 1 of 4

General suggestions

- Employ the default font (Arial) and its default sizes.
- Bullet points are better than blocks of text.
- Avoid crowding the page with text.
- Use consistent image formats.



Presentation outline

• Introduce project/issue context and define the issue to be explored

- Define the background or context of your project.
- What is the specific issue your project addressed?

Project methodology

• What procedures did you follow to address your project's primary issue?

Project results

• Provide any results or explain the lack of them.

Project summary

• Explore the interpretation, evaluation, projection, etc. of results.

Acknowledgements

• Thank those whose help assisted you and include the OEP acknowledgement text for your program (SULI, CCI, SURP, et al.) located on OEP resources page.



Checkpoint Presentation

- Upload a draft of the presentation during week 4.
- Present a draft of your slides to your team during your week 5 team meeting.
- Incorporate any feedback and continue to refine the presentation.
- Participate in rehearsal(s) for the end-of-semester Project Presentations session.
- Participate in the final Project Presentation and upload your presentation to your SharePoint's FINAL DELIVERABLES folder.



"I," "we," and impersonal constructions



"I," "we," and impersonal constructions (1) --AIP Style Manual, pp. 14-15

The old taboo against using the first person in formal prose has long been deplored by the best authorities and ignored by some of the best writers. "We" may be used naturally by two or more authors in referring to themselves; "we" may also be used to refer to a single author and the author's associates. A single author should also use "we" in the common construction that politely includes the reader: "We have already seen "But never use "we" as a mere substitute for "I," as in, for example, "In our opinion ...," which attempts modesty and achieves the reverse; either write "my" or resort to a genuinely impersonal construction.



"I," "we," and impersonal constructions (2)

The passive is often the most natural way to give prominence to the essential facts:

Air was admitted to the chamber.

(Who cares who turned the valve?) But avoid the passive if it makes the syntax inelegant or obscure. A long sentence with the structure

The values of ... have been calculated.

is clumsy and anticlimactic; begin instead with I [We] have calculated ...



"I," "we," and impersonal constructions (3)

The author(s)" may be used as a substitute for "I [we]," but use another construction if you have mentioned any other authors very recently, or write "the present author(s)."



"I," "we," and impersonal constructions (4)

Special standards for usage apply in two sections of a paper: (i) Since the abstract may appear in abstract journals in the company of abstracts by many different authors, avoid the use of "I" or "we" in the abstract; use "the author(s)" or passives instead, if that can be done without sacrificing clarity and brevity. (ii) Even those who prefer impersonal language in the main text may well switch to "I" or "we" in the acknowledgments, which are, by nature, personal.



Questions



Questions?

 A version of this presentation is posted at <u>https://www.bnl.gov/education/resources.php</u> under the Writing Guidelines heading.

