**Midterm and Final Project: Blog Posts**

BIOA 269 Our Inner Primate

**Primates both amuse and trouble us. In part they fascinate us because we recognize ourselves in them. We share many abilities and emotions with them and often believe that we can understand their actions and intent, even if this is not always true. During this course you are learning about our interconnections with primates. What do you want your readers to know about our complex relationship with primates?**

In these assignments, I am asking you to write a blog post for a general audience based on the concepts that we have discussed throughout the quarter. We have covered only a fraction of the human-primate interface, so feel free to expand your blog entries to include an individual or species or context that has not been addressed in class. Here is some more information about the assignment. Each of the **features** is a criterion that I will use to assess your blog post.

**Content: You should focus on the information that you think would be most useful to your audience. You have two options:**

1. **You can go for breadth, by including material from multiple topics (weeks) covered in the class; OR**
2. **You can go for depth, and include only material from 1 specific topic covered in the class.**

***Note: In both cases, the length of your blog post would be the same.***

**To demonstrate originality, please include information from at least 3 sources (using the papers that you did your annotated bibliographies on each week is fine, but do not feel that you need to limit yourself to only these sources! And do not simply copy and paste an annotated bibliography entry that you have already submitted as an assignment.)**

**Pictures/Videos:** The blog post should be **readable** and **visually** **appealing**.

**Title: Please think of an engaging title to attract readers!**

**Format:** Prepare your blog in Google Sites.

**Length:** Each of your blog entries should be 500-1000 words long (not including the ref list).

**Audience:** You are targeting the general public including your fellow college students, your family and friends etc.

**Due Dates**: You will have a blog post due during Week 5, 8 and 11

**Last class:** At our last class we will read each others’ blog posts and vote on your favorites!