

Writing the *Project Description* of your Term Project Proposal

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Details and Requirements

Due Date: Your Project Description overview is **Due in Lecture #7** and is worth 10% of your Term

Paper grade.

Process for Handing in:

As each section will be evaluated by the technical staff (Profs and TAs) and the CI staff, we will need multiple copies of each submission.

- Submit two hard copies of each assignment AND
- Submit a copy to in both Word and PDF.

Format:

- We've asked you to double-spaced your term project assignments; however, you can use single space for the Project Description (as in the sample below) in Arial 11 pt, with 1" margins.
- Please number your pages and make sure that your name is on the assignment.
- Include in-text citations and a Reference List (bibliography) in APA style. If you are unsure of APA formatting, there are plenty of internet resources.

Goals and Requirements: (see Term Project handout for complete description)

The purpose of the Project Description is for you to demonstrate that you've started your literature searches on the geoengineering topic you've selected **and** that you've started thinking about ways to test the unintended consequences of this geoengineering idea. To do so, you should provide a coherent overview of the sections you will include in your proposal (see Term Project Handout for section details).

You should demonstrate knowledge of how the geoengineering topic you've selected is meant to work, what some of the potential problems with its implementation might be, and how you might go about measuring or testing those problems. You are not bound by your specific design here, but the overview gives you an opportunity to put forth ideas and get feedback on them.

- Your Description should be written in complete and connected sentences, it should not be a list of bullets (see sample Project Description, part II of this handout).
- Your Project Description should be **about 750 words (not including the accompanying Reference list)** and must include at least five references that are cited within. The references must come from peer-reviewed journals and you should explain the relevance of the articles for your proposal.

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