Speaking and Writing for Premedical Students

Readings are available electronically on class “Readings” page OR in your course pack -- you may need to be remotely logged in to access some material (see “remote log on” link on Readings page) -- some readings are also linked below in the schedule

- **All emails** to instructor must include a subject line that first specifies this class (“premed”) and then includes topic/specific assignments
  - please include updated subject lines on all emails! This means that if you hit “reply” on an old message, you will need to change the subject line to reflect the current method.
- Always refer to this version of this daily schedule for updates during the semester.
- All homework/readings are due the class period after they are assigned, unless otherwise noted on schedule
- All assignments are **DUE** on the day they are listed
- All written assignments must be saved with your name in the file name + the name of the assignment, e.g. “Jane Gator Review Paper”

Evidence-Based Medical Literacy

Week 1 -- Jan 8/10
Introduction to Course (note: read homework in the order listed below)

- Read: How and Why Biologists Write
- Read: EBM/EBP Literacy & Article types --
  - [http://web.clas.ufl.edu/users/msscha/PremedCSS/synthesis_series.html](http://web.clas.ufl.edu/users/msscha/PremedCSS/synthesis_series.html)
  - [http://www.clas.ufl.edu/users/msscha/PremedCSS/ebm ebp.html](http://www.clas.ufl.edu/users/msscha/PremedCSS/ebm ebp.html)
- Read: Reading the Article in More Detail, emedicine
- Introduce self on blog by next Tuesday

The Synthesis Series Assignment

- Read Synthesis Series article #1

Week 2 -- Jan 15/17
The EBM Approach / Reading Science / Editor’s Summary #1 in class

- Read Synthesis Series Article #2
  - Bring draft editor’s summary to class on Thursday

ES #2 in class / Synthesizing Sources

- ES #1 **DUE** -- upload as attachment to Sakai.
- Read Synthesis Series article #3

Week 3 -- Jan 22/24
Library Research Presentation, Denise Bennett

- ES#2 **DUE** -- upload as attachment to Sakai
• Read **Synthesis Report assignment** on class web site

The Synthesis Paper/The Synthesis Report
• Read: **The Medical Communication Project**
• Read: **Annotated Bibliography**

**The Medical Communication Project**

**Week 4 -- Jan 29/31**
The Med Comm Project / From Topics to Research Question / Synthesis Paper / Deliver **Synthesis Report**
• ES #3 DUE (upload to Sakai)
• post topics/RQs of interest to blog

Med Comm Project: Annotated Bibliography
• Synthesis Paper **DUE**
• Bring electronic or hard copy of first AB entry to class on Tuesday

**Week 5 -- Feb 5/7**
Peer Review AB #1 / The Informative Presentation
• AB entry #1 **DUE -- submit to Sakai** by end of day

The Informative Presentation
• AB entry #2 **DUE -- submit to Sakai** by end of day

**Week 6 -- Feb 12/14**
Writing a Review Paper
• Next AB entries #3/#4 **DUE -- submit to Sakai**

Writing a Review Paper
• AB # 5entry **DUE -- submit to Sakai**

**Week 7 -- Feb 19/21**
**Presentations**
• Annotated Bibliography **DUE** (submit to Sakai as attachment -- single spaced within entries, 2 spaces between entries, references bolded)

**Applying to Medical School**

**Week 8 -- Feb 26/28**
The Medical Interview Project - Personal Statements/Resumes
● Peer Review: Review Paper

Medical Interview Project
● Review Paper DUE

Week 9 -- March 5/7 -- Just kidding! Spring Break!

Week 10 -- March 12/14
Medical School Interviewing Skills
● Interview Materials DUE -
  ○ 3 copies each of resume, personal statement, med school info
  ○ make 3 packets as follows: resume on top → personal statement → med school info -- staple BEFORE coming to class, please!

Week 11 -- March 19/21
Interview Sessions

Week 12 -- March 26/28
Interview Sessions

The Continuing Medical Education Project (CME)
● CME Step One: On Your Own

The Continuing Medical Education Project

Week 13 -- April 2/4
The CME Project/Structure of CME Presentation -- Meet your Team
  In class -- exchange contact info / decide on topic

CME Proposal
● submit 3 parts of Step Two: In Your Group via email to Dr. Schafer -- label subject line “premed group [topic]” -- include all members of group on “cc” line
● begin gathering sources
● Proposal DUE by Monday - submit to Sakai

Week 14 -- April 9/11
Structure of CME Paper / Creating Case Studies

Team Meetings / Instructor Conferences
● Draft of CME Paper DUE by Tuesday -- submit to Sakai
Week 15 -- April 16/18

Team Meetings / Instructor Conferences / Class Evaluations (done electronically -- bring laptop to class)

Team Presentations

Week 16 -- April 23

Team Presentations
  ● Final draft CME DUE to Sakai by Friday, April 26th, 11:55 p.m.