Poster Project Guidelines

Steps:
- Choose a group of 3-4 people
- Pick a topic and method
- Write a project proposal
- Do the research
- Write an abstract summarizing your findings
- Make a poster
- Present the poster at UC Research and Practice Day
- Offer peer reviews at each stage

Methods:
Any of the following are fine:
Library research and analysis
Interviews
Behavioural experiments

If you include human subjects (interviews or experiments), you will have to follow the university's research ethics rules. Subjects should be of low vulnerability (i.e., not patients), procedures must be low risk, informed consent must be obtained, and anonymity protected where appropriate. Ask for details if this is relevant to your group.

Proposals (2%):
Due in class on February 23. Bring one printout per group to hand in. Come prepared to present your group's proposal to the class (informally, approx 5 min.).
Write a description of your planned project (max. 1000 words). Describe the motivations for the project, the specific questions you want to answer, your hypotheses (if any), and your methods. If you're doing an experiment, focus more on the methods. If you're doing library research, focus more on the questions and motivations, but do mention any starting points for your reading.

Abstracts (3%):
Due in class on March 15. Bring one printout per group to hand in. Come prepared to present your group's abstract to the class (informally, approx 5 min.).
Write a brief (max. 600 words) description of your project and results. See the following guidelines and examples:
http://www.uky.edu/academy/sites/www.uky.edu.academy/files/How%20to%20Write%20Research%20Abstract.pdf
https://www.csbbcs.org/2014/index.php/meeting/2014/schedConf/presentations

Posters (12%):
Create a poster to present your research findings. At least one group member should be available to present the poster on March 18th, from 10am-2pm. Your files should also be posted on Blackboard by March 18th so that students who can't attend the poster session can see your results.

Poster boards are 6 feet wide by 3 feet high. Velcro for fastening posters will be provided. Example posters from last year will be posted on Blackboard. Large format printing is NOT necessary. See these tips on designing a poster:
http://www2.napier.ac.uk/gus/writing_presenting/academic_posters.html

Peer Reviews (3%):
At each stage (proposal, abstract, poster) you will be asked to provide feedback to the other groups about their project. At the final stage, you will also be asked to provide feedback about each member of your group's contribution. All comments may be anonymous. This feedback will inform (but not entirely determine) the grade for each group (and individual group member).

Poster Session Details:
DATE: 18 March 2016
LOCATION: East and West Halls, University College

SCHEDULE:
10-11 Setup of boards (with coffee and juice)
11 Event start
12:15 remarks followed by food
1:30 closing and take-down