

Dear BIOL 4960R/70R/80R students,

This has been our most robust semester of research experiences, and what a strange way to have to end the semester!

We are keenly aware that many of you will not finish intended research projects this spring, and we want to assure you that you will not be negatively penalized for this. To that end, please adhere to the following when completing your required research paper:

1. For spring 2020, we will lower the page-requirement of the paper to 5-7 pages. All parts of the paper as outline in BIOL 49X0R Research Paper Guidelines are still required (<https://biosciences.uga.edu/sites/default/files/2019-01/BIOL%2049X0R%20Research%20guidelines.pdf>)
2. Base your report on what you have done to date. If needed, place a greater emphasis on literature review (component of Introduction section) and experimental design (component of Methods section).
3. If you don't have a full set of results, include expected results and a discussion (Discussion section) of how various possible results can be interpreted. In this instance, the Results section can be something along the lines of "Because of campus closure, we do not have results at this time."

The Biology Division assumes that you have access to materials needed to write this paper (i.e. lab notebooks). ***If this is NOT the case, please indicate at the start of your paper the following:***

\*I was unable to retrieve (specific materials listed here) that would help me write a more detailed final research paper.

Please note that **papers are still due Reading Day, April 29.**

Sincerely,  
Biological Sciences Advising and Director of Biological Sciences

Thank you,  
Division of Biological Sciences