Spring 2026 Research Project Details

The research project is worth 30% of the CRO II final grade.

Comprehensive Research Project Outline (12.5%)

Deadline to choose poster or paper, due Feb 27th

- Should be a completed outline including **all sources** expected to be used on final project.
- Have Main headers with subheadings and information that will be discussed under each heading.
- A word document of the outline will also need to be submitted.
- Sources need to be in AMA format (Preferred).

Research Project First Draft (12.5%)

Due: Friday, March 20th

- At this time, you should have a completed project, with minimal tweaks and submit to Carol, and Virali.
- This should be as close to your final project as possible.
- All of your sources should be compiled and follow appropriate AMA guidelines.

Research Project Final Paper (50%)

Due: Friday, April 10th

- This is a copy of your completed project that will be submitted to the judges. Please send two copies, one including your name and one anonymous. All sources should be included, and in proper format, following the appropriate competition rubric.

Presentations (25%)

Due: Tuesday April 14th (8AM)-Needs to be submitted to us by this time

April 14th and 16th

- Papers and posters should be mindful of presentation, viewing poster on screen can be challenging

Final Research Project Presentation (25%)

- Should be ~10 minutes

Objectives	**Below Expectations (65)**	**Average (85)**	**Exemplary Performance (100)**
Organization (10%)	No logical sequence of information	Difficult to follow because presentation jumps around	Information is presented in a logical sequence
Content (40%)	Does not meet assignment requirements	Fulfills assignment, uses appropriate sources and reasonable analysis	Thorough, strong analysis.
Subject Knowledge (30%)	Student doesn't have grasp of information	Student is somewhat comfortable with the information	Student demonstrates full knowledge
Quality of slides or presentation (15%)	Sloppy and/or unprofessional. Inappropriate level of detail (too wordy or too vague); font size too small for readability.	Readable and professional. Appropriate level of detail that emphasizes main points.	Readable, professional, imaginative and/or high quality.
Voice quality and pace (5%)	Demonstrates one or more of the following: mumbling, hard to understand English, too soft, too loud, too fast, too slow or "umms"	Easy to understand, appropriate pace and volume. Delivery is mostly clear and natural	Excellent delivery. Conversational, modulates voice well, projects enthusiasm, interest and confidence.