Senior Projects Spring 2021

(Important Note: Because of COVID-19 these instructions are somewhat different from the usual process. They apply *only* to submissions for the Spring 2021 semester.)

TIME TO GET YOUR PROJECT SUBMITTED!

**Senior Project Process for Spring 2021:**

The **deadline** for submitting one or more abstracts is **Friday, November 6th.**

The Process in Brief:

Shopping Around:

It is normal to talk (email or Zoom) with faculty members about project ideas you’re thinking about. While it’s up to you to come up with the idea, it’s definitely okay to run them past the faculty. And, it’s definitely better for you if we’re not surprised when we start reviewing the abstracts.

The Abstract:

Complete an abstract for the project you wish to propose. This must include:

* A title
* A few sentences about your project idea.
* A list of courses you’ve taken that are relevant to your project.
* A list of courses you haven’t taken that would be relevant to your project.
	+ This list should be short or empty.
	+ But, you need to realize that there might be gaps in knowledge or skills.

Attached to this email are sample abstracts. Download the document and modify it.

You may submit more than one abstract if you wish. See the abstract document for further instructions.

Email your proposal to Dr. Drexel by **Friday November 6th.**

**Email your project abstract(s) to Dr. Drexel!**

Advisor Selection

On Monday, November 9th, the faculty – as a group – will decide who your project advisor will be. The assignments are based on faculty interests, skills, and course loads. You will be notified via email once your advisor is assigned. Because of the fluidity of the COVID-19 problem, there is a non-zero chance that we may have to switch some assignments later on.

Proposal Completion

Use the CS&T Department’s Senior Project Proposal template to submit your proposal (it will be emailed to you once your abstract is accepted).

Work with your project advisor to complete the form. A full draft of this proposal is due to your advisor no later than **Monday, November 16th**. If your proposal does not receive full approval then, you might receive conditional approval and will be expected to make the appropriate adjustments as promptly as you can. Your advisor or Dr. Drexel will give you a deadline. Note: You will receive the override to register for Senior Project after your full proposal is approved.

Presentations:

Normally, students must attend this semester’s Senior Project presentations. However, because they are not happening as usual this time, the requirement is dropped for Fall 2020. Your advisor and Dr. Drexel will help you to put together your Spring 2021 presentation.