

## **BME 10100 Introduction to Biomedical Engineering Summary Guidelines**

### **Assignment:**

Write two summaries of topics covered by the faculty presenters in class. Each summary must be based on the faculty member's seminar given in class. You may summarize the entire subject covered by the professor, or you may focus on a particular aspect or aspects of the topic. Information from at least five sources (journal articles accessed via PubMed, websites, books, etc.) must be included and referenced (these may be articles by the professor or by other investigators). Note the guidelines below on how to properly cite the references.

### **Due dates:**

Summary 1: March 28

Summary 2: April 25

### **Format:**

Must be 2-3 pages, single-spaced, including figures and references. Edit and spell-check writing to eliminate distracting "noise." If you include figures, number them consecutively in order of appearance. Include a caption for each figure explaining the major point or points, and if the figure was copied from another source, give the reference at the end of the caption, e.g., "Figure 1. Diagram illustrating the structure of bone tissue. From [5]." ([5] is the #5 reference in the reference list). Make sure to refer to all figures in the text using parentheses at the end of the sentence.

### **Citation of references:**

Throughout the text, when specific information has been taken from a journal article, book, website, etc., the reference must be cited. A minimum of 5 references must be cited. Number references in the order in which they are cited and then list by number in the reference list at the end of the summary. Indicate the reference(s) using the reference number(s) of the source(s) in brackets (e.g., "[1-3]" if you are citing references 1, 2, and 3). Put each reference at the end of any sentence that contains specific information obtained from that reference; do not put references at the end of entire paragraphs.

### **Plagiarism:**

Be careful to use your own words and cite sources of information as described above.

### **Reference list format:**

***Journal article format:*** include all authors' names (last name followed by first and middle initials – do not use full first names), title of article, abbreviated journal title (as listed on PubMed), volume number, page numbers, and publication year:

Jackson ER, Lotti IV, Summerford PT, Burger S (2003) A new design for the metacarpal-phalangeal joint. *J. Biomat. Res.*, 21:1-3.

#### ***Book format:***

Qin SR, Traub WW (2008) Biomechanics of the hand. In *Human Biomechanics* (Edited by Peters L and Wang Y), pp. 247-253, Academic Press, New York.

#### ***Conference proceedings format (although avoid using these as a source):***

Soest JT, Barnes AP, Mills BR (2000) Grommets added to silicone rubber finger implants. In *Proceedings of the Society for Biomaterials*, pp. 23-24.

***WWW format:*** give a descriptive title for the website along with the Internet address; can also include access date:

CCNY's Department of Biomedical Engineering, <http://bme.ccny.cuny.edu>, accessed September 7, 2010.