

Blogging for Ashland Marine Biology

During the rest of the semester I would like each of you to contribute to our marine biology blog. This will be a great way to bring interesting information from science news sites, other blogs, and literature to the attention of the rest of the class. You will also help to build a resource that might even attract attention from outside of our class.

If you have never written for a blog your contributions will give you the chance to learn how this technology works, and to further develop your writing skills. You will be getting feedback on your posts (individual blog entries) from your fellow students and me. Your contributions to the blog (both posts and comments) will count for 50 points of your grade in the course.

So here are some guidelines for your work on the blog:

- Each of you should contribute at least 1 new post and 2 new comments every two weeks. That comes to at least 7 posts and 14 comments through the end of the semester.
- I'd like your first post to go up by Friday, Feb 5th. Please do not all wait until midnight on the 4th. It is more interesting to read a few posts at a time instead of a bunch at once.
- Feel free to use the few posts I have added this semester as a guide to post type and length. Notice that the writing is pretty casual, and they are not very long. Images and video are great to include. Look for other science blogs that you think are good and use them as guides as well.
- You are responsible for reading all posts added to the blog.
- Ask questions when you have them, and we will occasionally talk about the blog in class. And have fun finding the great information out there about marine biology.