Astrobiology Evaluation Guidelines

Please answer all questions on a separate sheet of paper, and write in complete sentences!

1. Please describe your highlights from this class this semester. What activities, lessons, themes, concepts, movies, or experiences did you enjoy the most, and why?

2. Please describe your challenges in this class this semester. What parts of the class were difficult, or what things did you find that you struggled with, and why? How could you have overcome these challenges?

3. Please honestly evaluate your attendance and participation. How did you do in terms of engaging yourself and opting in to the class? How well did you work in group situations? How can you improve next semester?

4. Next, please evaluate your role as a student in this class, including your classwork, homework, binder, exams and quizzes, and your final project. Were you consistent in doing your work? Did you put time and effort into your binder, assignments and projects? Did you meet your deadlines on time? What things did you do that you are proud of? What things would you have like to have done better, and how can you improve in this area next semester?

5. Now evaluate your final project, and discuss your overall effort and time invested in it. How do you feel about the final product overall? What elements of the project or the process of creating it were challenging to you, and how did you overcome those challenges? How scientifically feasible and closely-aligned do you think it is to the laws of the universe? How well-prepared were you for the final assembly of it? If not, why not? How well did you manage your time leading up to the due date? Were you on top of your intermediate due dates? If not, why not? Now that it is completed, what elements would you have changed or done differently if you were to do it again, and why?

6. What are some of the things that you have learned that will really stay with you after this class is over, and why? Be specific. Has this class changed your perceptions or understanding about the existence of life in general, as well as the potential for its existence elsewhere in the universe? If so, how, and if not, why not?

7. Why do you think that it's important to learn about Astrobiology? What benefits does it have for the "average person" to know anything about it, and why?

8. Lastly, please give me feedback as a teacher. What things did I do that worked for you? What can I do in the future to improve this class? Be specific, don't just say "less work".