



ALCS Annual Project: Contract & Proposal

How does a project get to be a year behind schedule?

One day at a time.

--Fred Brooks

Name _____

Date _____

What I hope to learn from my independent project:

As an Aldo student, I pledge to:

- work in good faith with my mentor for the duration of the project OR submit a typed 250 word essay before Nov 25 at 12:00 PM that describes my valid, respectful reasons for why I cannot work with this mentor and should be placed with another mentor;
- meet with my mentor at least once every 2 weeks for 5-20 minutes (& more often if necessary);
- devote at least 2 hours per week to my project;
- ask my mentor for advice and assistance when I need it, realizing that completing my project is ultimately my responsibility; and
- complete my project by April 8.

Student signature: _____

As an Aldo mentor, I pledge to:

- work in good faith with my mentee for the duration of the project OR be open to my mentee's Nov 25th letter that describes his/her/their request to be placed with another;
- meet with the student at least once every 2 weeks for 5-20 minutes (more often if necessary);
- connect my student with community resources, if appropriate;
- coach my student toward meeting their goals for the project; and
- aid my student in staying on schedule for completion of their project by April 8.

Mentor signature: _____

Project Checklist and Timeline

A description of my final **product**:

Some **essential questions** I want to answer as my project unfolds:

Major steps that I will need to take in order to create my **product**:

Goal-setting Timeline

When I will complete key steps in my project (knowing that continual revision and refinement are a necessary part of the project):

November 20:

- Complete “Contract & timeline” outlining the project
- Complete “ALCS Independent Multidisciplinary Project: First Steps”

December: See “Schedule” document

January: See “Schedule” document

February: See “Schedule” document

March: See “Schedule” document

April 8: Project “dress rehearsal” in front of my project mentor, with my final presentation scheduled during the week of April 13th.