# ASTRONOMY 710B – Mars: From its interior to its moons - Small assignment guidelines

#### 1) Abstracts

Both abstracts should be written following the AGU guidelines that are found at:

http://submissions5.agu.org/submission/subm-ins.htm#affs

Please note that "A publishable part of submission may not be greater than four thousand (4000) characters. This includes author(s) name(s), phone number(s), and e-mail address(es), all affiliation(s) information, and the title and body of the abstract. All LaTeX characters are counted toward the character limit."

## a) New findings of the MER mission relative to previous missions

This abstract should focus on the NEW findings of the MER missions. Possible sources of this information include the worldwide web, but you should also reference at least three papers (reference list is not included in the abstract length).

## b) Statement of your topic for the second presentation

This abstract should provide a synopsis of the topic for your presentation. The abstract should not reference papers (because you will have already submitted that list), but we expect that your talk will include references! Note: students in atmospheric science are expected to work on a topic related to Mars' atmosphere and climate.

### 2) Reference list for your topic for the second presentation

You are encouraged to discuss the scope of your presentation topic with the professor. The reference list should include the following:

- i) A title for your presentation
- ii) Two or three sentences summarizing the topic of the presentation
- iii) A list of at least four and at most ten relevant papers

A list of papers related to your presentation topic (beyond those listed in the article).

This reference list will be graded on the following criteria:

- 1) Relevance of the title and the articles to the topic to be presented
- 2) Overall scope of the list of articles (in terms of topic, date & research group)

### 3) Your assessment of your fellow students' presentations

Your assessment of your fellow students' presentations will be assessed on the following criteria:

- 1) Relevance of your comments
- 2) Reasonableness of your grading (i.e. do they seem to be based on your comments)
- 3) Your comprehension of the talk, based on your comments on the content.