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Sec. #0399 MSA 309

OFFICE HOURS: 12:50-1:50 [MSA 309] or by appointment

BIOLOGY 3-B LAB

<u>Course Description</u>: This is a course in general biology designed to fulfill a laboratory science requirement and will also provide a foundation for advanced courses in biology, including human anatomy, physiology, and microbiology. The lecture portion of the course emphasizes the basic principles in biology, cell structure and function, and the levels of organization in the human body. Lecture topics include the scientific method, an introduction to biological chemistry, heredity, evolution, the genetic control of cellular processes, ecology, and the organ systems of the body.

This laboratory portion of the Biology course emphasizes the diverse types of organisms and their anatomy and physiology. Laboratory topics include an introduction to the microscope, study of the cell, study of enzyme activity, a survey of the microorganisms, plants, and animals that comprise the 5 Kingdoms of life, and the anatomic study of the earthworm, grasshopper, and fetal pig.

Students will perform lab manual exercises which incorporate completion of brief lab reports, mathematical computation, analytic techniques, and laboratory skills. Completion of the laboratory manual exercises requires written short answer observations, logical analysis of experimental results, and careful preparation of drawings to document observations.

<u>Student Learning Objectives</u>: A student who completes this class will be able to explain:

- (1) how to measure using the metric system
- (2) the parts, use, & care of the light microscope
- (3) the appearance of prokaryotic & eukaryotic cells when viewed through the microscope
- (4) how to test for sugars, starch, and protein
- (5) diffusion & osmosis and expression of solution concentration
- (6) the phases of mitosis and meiosis
- (7) the appearance of mammalian tissues in the microscope
- (8) how concentration, temperature, and pH affect enzymes
- (9) taxonomic classification
- (10) the key characteristics and the classification of Bacteria, Fungi, Protista, Plants, and Animals
- (11) the structure and function of the major organs of the fetal pig

Required Books & Materials:

S.A. Fink; BIOLOGY LABORATORY; BioBooks Pub.; 2008

S. Mader; Biology; Inquiry Into Life; McGraw-Hill Publishers;

2011 (13th ed) [ISBN 978-0-07-340344-1]

Rubber gloves

Laboratory Resources:

http://www.professorfink.com

Virtual fetal pig dissection & review:

http://www.biologycorner.com/pig/review.html

http://www.mhhe.com/biosci/genbio/maderbiology7/student_index.mhtml

Laboratory Examination Schedule (Tentative):

Lab Examination 1	OCTOBER 10 (THU)
Lab Examination 2	NOVEMBER 7 (THU)
LAB FINAL EXAMINATION	DECEMBER 12 (THU)

Computation of the Course Grade:

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Lab exercises and Quizzes	10% of Course Grade
2 Laboratory Examinations	50% of Course Grade
LAB FINAL EXAM	40% of Course Grade

The average of the 2 "mid-term" exams will count 50% towards your Course Grade. The Final will count 40% of your Course Grade. About 1/4 of the questions on the Final Lab Exam will come from the previous 2 lab exams, and 3/4 from information presented after the 2nd Mid-term Exam. Lab notebooks will be checked 3 times. Lab reports will be collected at the next lab. Pop quizzes will be given at the beginning of some labs. Be prepared!

Lab exams will consist of identification questions, as well as objective-type questions (ex: True/False; Multiple Choice; and Matching) that will be answered on **SCAN-TRON** (882) forms. You will be expected to provide SCAN-TRON 882 forms (available at the bookstore) and a **soft lead no. 2 pencil with a good eraser** for each examination for computer scoring.

THERE WILL BE NO LATE OR MAKE-UP LAB EXAMS GIVEN!!

88 - 100%	Α
77 - 87%	В
62 - 76%	С
50 - 61%	D
below 50%	F

Attendance Policy:

Roll will be taken. There is a strong correlation between poor attendance and poor grades. You are responsible for information, exam announcements, date changes, etc. presented in class, whether or not you are present.

Students who are given add slips must complete the process by the 3rd class meeting. No replacement add slips will be signed.

Withdrawal from Class:

You are responsible for your credit and enrollment status. Any student withdrawing from class must inform the admissions office of this decision. Students failing to follow the correct procedure for withdrawals will receive a grade of "F" for the semester. No withdrawals are permitted after Friday, November 15. (see Schedule, page 1).

Cheating/Academic Dishonesty:

Each student is expected to do his/her <u>own</u> work on all assignments, reports, examinations, etc. <u>CHEATING ON AN EXAM WILL RESULT IN AN "F" FOR THE COURSE</u>.

Here is a list of some actions that are considered cheating:

NO TALKING DURING THE EXAM.

KEEP YOUR EYES ON YOUR OWN EXAM.

USING NOTES OF ANY KIND (ON CARDS, STRIPS OF PAPER, DESK TOP, ETC.) DURING AN EXAM IS NOT PERMITTED.

Showing a fellow student your exam, or passing information in any way is <u>not</u> <u>permitted</u>.

Place your answer sheet(s) directly in front of you.

If you have a question, quietly walk up to the instructor and whisper your question.

Translation dictionaries are not permitted.

Changing the answers on a returned Exam & claiming it was scored wrongly.

All of these demonstrate a lack of Honesty & Integrity which is Essential in all jobs, all relationships, & in all Areas of Life.)

Recommendations for Succeeding in Class:

- 1. Expect to Work. This is not supposed to be easy.
- 2. Get to class on time, every time, and stay the whole time.
 - Never miss class unless you're dead, & take good notes.
- 3. Find someone in the class to contact if you miss a meeting.
- 4. Be organized! Use a daily calendar to set times for <u>regular</u> studying for each of your classes.
- 5. Study & Review each night the class is given.
 - Learning is easier if you schedule time daily to read, to think & review.
 - Every time you study. spend at least 10 minutes reviewing previous lessons. (These "refresher shots" are the secret for long-term memory.)
 - Focus your studying on the class Lecture Notes.
 - Read the relevant chapters in your textbook; hi-lite pertinent lines, & add these notes to your class notes (<u>never read without writing</u>).
 - Use the CD-ROM & Web-Sites.
 - Use associations to help you remember things.
 - Prepare note cards and carry them with you to review.
- 6. Begin preparing for your exams at least 1 week in advance.
- 7. Anything you turn-in (exams, lab reports, quizzes) should look neat.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF TOPICS

(Schedule subject to change)

DATE:	LAB	LABORATORY TOPIC:	Mader Textbook
WK 1 August 29	A	Introduction Quantification in Biology	Appendix C
WK 2 September 5		NO CLASS: ROSH HASHANNAH [FRIDAY Sept 6: Last Day to Avoid a "W" on Permanent Record]	
WK 3 September 12	В	Introduction to the Microscope	Page 53
WK 4 September 19	D	Introduction to the Cell	Chapter 3
WK 5 September 26	F	Cell Division: Mitosis & Meiosis	Chapter 5 (esp. Pages 86-87) (& Pages 89-96)
WK 6 October 3	F	Cell Division: Mitosis & Meiosis	Chapter 5 (esp. Pages 86-87) (& Pages 89-96)
	С	Identification of Organic Compounds	Chapter 2
WK 7 October 10	X, E	LAB EXAMINATION 1 Diffusion & Osmosis	Chapter 3 Pages 71-74

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WK 8 October 17	CC G H	Enzymes Classification Taxonomy Viruses	Chapter 2 Pages 37-39 Chapter 6 Pages 104-107 Pages 6-7 & Pages 569-571 Pages 590-596
WK 9 October 24	I I J K L	Kingdom Monera Kingdom Monera Kingdom Protista SYMBIOSIS Kingdom Fungi Plant Kingdom: The Algae	Pages 571-583 Pages 571-583 Pages 577-584 Pages 699-700 Pages 585-590 Pages 601-604
WK 10 October 31	L M N	Plant Kingdom: Terrestrial Plants & Trees Angiosperm Vegetative Organs & Reproduction [Angiosperm Structure]	Chapter 29 Pages 604-616 Pages 171-179
WK 11 November 7	o	LAB EXAMINATION 2 The Animal Kingdom: The Invertebrate Animals	Chapter 30 Pages 619-641

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WK 12 November 14	P	The Invertebrate Animals [NOVEMBER 15 IS THE LAST DAY TO DROP]	Chapter 30 Pages 619-641 Chapter 31 Pages 646-648
WK 13 November 21	R S V	The Vertebrate Animals Introduction to Histology The Skeletal System	Page 373-374 Pages 650-657 Chapter 11 Pages 194-204
WK 14		NO CLASS: HAPPY THANKSGIVING!	
WK 15 December 5	U	Fetal Pig Dissection & Organ Systems Digestive System Heart & Circulation Hormones Male Reproductive System Female Repro. System	Pages 202-203 Chapter 14 Pages 213-217 Pages 394-399 Pages 415-419 Pages 420-425
WK 16 December 12		FINAL LAB EXAMINATION	