

WE '02

COURSE: BI 101-<sup>60</sup>General Biology (Lecture)

TIME: 1645-1850 T & Th (Jan. 8, - Mar. 19, 2002)

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TEXT: *Biology Life on Earth*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed. by Teresa & Gerald Audesirk, Prentice Hall, 1999/1996.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course is designed to introduce the Biological Sciences. Thus we will begin with the structure and function of the cell, the basic unit of all life. To be followed by the basis of heredity also common to all life forms. Finally we will investigate how all organisms change & adapt in order to survive.

**OBJECTIVES:**

1. to provide a sound background of biological systems (function & structure).
2. to promote an appreciation for the complexity of **living** organisms.
3. to promote critical thinking in applying concepts.
4. to promote an appreciation for all organisms & their common **bonds** to one another.

**LECTURES:**

1. Lecture topics and text assignments are listed in the course outline.
2. Examination dates are also listed in the course outline.
3. The instructor **reserves** the right to add, omit, or change the materials as he sees fit.

**EXAMS, QUIZZES & GRADES:**

1. All exams & quizzes are "open book & notes" & will consist of short essay questions. You will be graded on your ability not only to answer the question (some can be answered in several ways), but also in how **effectively** you can defend your answer/position using your knowledge of the subject & applying what you learned through the use of appropriate facts/examples. Thus all **questions** asking for your opinion or position, whether stated or not have an implied "Why?" or "How?" question attached.
2. Grades will be based on the following system & scale:

**Grade Scale:**

90% & above = A  
80 - 89% = B  
65-79% = C  
50 - 64% = D  
49% & below = F

**Grading System:**

Quizzes 30%  
Mid Term 30%  
Final 40%

## **COURSE OUTLINE:**

- 01/08/02** Introduction to Life (Chap. 1)
- 01/10** Atom, Molecules, & Life (Chap. 2)
- 01/15** Biological Molecules (Chap. 3)
- 01/17** Energy Flow in Cells (Chap. 4)
- 01/22** Cell Membrane & Cell Structure & Function (Chap. 5 & 6)
- 01/24** Double labs on Chaminade Campus
- 01/29** Photosynthesis (Chap. 7)
- 01/31** Glycolysis & Cellular Respiration (Chap. 8)
- 02/05** Double labs on Chaminade Campus
- 02/07** DNA & Gene Expression & Regulation (Chap. 9 & 10)
- 02/12** Midterm Exam
- 02/14** Cellular Reproduction (Chap. 11)
- 02/19** Cellular Reproduction (con't)
- 02/21** Patterns of Inheritance (Chap. 12)
- 02/26** Patterns of Inheritance (con's)
- 02/28** Biotechnology (Chap. 13)
- 03/05** principles of Evolution (Chap. 14 &15)
- 03/07** Principles of Evolution (con't)
- 03/12** Origin of Species (Chap. 16)
- 03/14** History of Life (Chap. 17)
- 03/19** Final Exam

COURSE: BI 101L-General Biology (Lab)  
TIME: 1905-2110 T & Th (Jan. 8 - Mar. 19, 2002)  
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COURSE DESCRIPTION: The lab class for this course is designed to aide in your understanding of the function and interaction of the cell and its components. The way in which cells pass their information to other cells as well as to the next generation of cells will be investigated. Finally how organisms change from one generation to the next will be addressed.

**OBJECTIVES:**

1. To obtain practical knowledge of concepts and structures discussed in the lecture.
2. To promote scientific thinking and inquiry.
3. To enhance powers of observation and to be more scientifically observant.
4. To increase appreciation for the natural environment.

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

All lab exercises will require a written report using the format provided by the instructor. These reports will be due as announced by the instructor.

**LABS:**

1. Laboratory topics and assignments are listed in the course outline.
2. Examination dates are also listed in the course outline.
3. The instructor reserves the right to add, omit, or change the materials as he sees fit.

**EXAMS, QUIZZES & GRADES:**

1. All exams & **quizzes** are "open book & notes" & will consist of short essay questions. You will be grades on your ability not only to answer the question (some can be answered in several ways), but also in how **effectively** you can defend your answer/position using your knowledge of the subject & applying what you learned through the use of appropriate facts/examples. Thus all questions asking for your opinion or position, whether stated or not have an implied "Why?" or "How?" question attached.

2. Grades will be based on the following system & scale:

Grade Scale:	Grading System:
90% & above- A	Labs 75%
80 - 89% = B	Final 25%
65-79% = C	
50 - 64% = D	
49% & below = F	

## **COURSE** OUTLINE:

01/08/02	Introduction
01/10	Scientific Method
01/15	Metrics
01/17	Microscope Use
01/22	No lab (double lecture)
01/24	+ <b>Biological Molecules/Enzymes</b> '
01/29	Cell
01/31	Discussion
02/05	+ <b>Diffusion</b> (osmosis)/Photosynthesis'
02/07	No lab (double lecture)
02/12	No lab (midterm)
02/16	*Field Trip to <b>Aiea</b> <sup>2</sup>
02/19	<b>DNA</b>
02/21	Cell Division
02/26	Human Genetics
02/28:	Population Genetics & <b>Evolution</b>
03/05	Discussion
03/09	* Field Trip Hanauma <b>Bay</b> <sup>2</sup>
03/12	Final Exam
03/14	Time off from field trips
03/19	Time off from field trips

<sup>1</sup> These labs will be held on the Chaminade campus..

<sup>2</sup> These field trips will be held on Saturdays.