

UNM Valencia Campus

Semester: Fall

Year: 2017

CRN #: 40987 section 505

Course Description: This course is an overview of biological principles and laboratory techniques important for health science majors and non-majors. *Credit is not applicable toward a biology major or minor.*

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Contact Information: My office is AS132. My phone number on campus is 505-925-8726. My email address is benflicker@unm.edu. Aside from my office hours and immediately before and after class, email is the best way to contact me.

Office hours: 10:30-12:00 & 1:00-2:30 Mondays, 10:30-12:00 Tuesdays, 11:00-12:00 & 1:00-2:30 Wednesdays, or by appointment.

Textbook: *Thinking About Biology: An Introductory Laboratory Manual.* Bres & Weisshaar (2016) 5th edition. Pearson Education.

Student Learning Objectives:

1.) Students will display an understanding of the scientific method.

2.) Students will show the ability to analyze and interpret experimental data.

3.) Students will exhibit familiarity with basic animal structure and anatomy.

4.) Students will demonstrate competency with basic microscopy.

Withdrawal: If you drop the course after the drop deadline, you will receive a grade of 'W'.

Students with disabilities: Qualified Students with disabilities should see me or the testing center as soon as possible so we can meet your needs suitably and quickly.

Title IX: In an effort to meet obligations under Title IX, UNM faculty, Teaching Assistants, and Graduate Assistants are considered "responsible employees" by the department of Education (see pg 15 - <u>http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/qa-201404-title-ix.pdf</u>). This designation requires that any report of gender discrimination which includes sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, and sexual violence made to a faculty member, TA, or GA must be reported to the Titel IX coordinator at the Office of Equal Opportunity (<u>Oeo.unm.edu</u>) For more information on the campus policy regarding sexual misconduct, see: <u>https://policy.unm.edu/university-policies/2000/2740.html</u>

Course Webpage: The course webpage can be found by logging in to <u>learn.unm.edu</u>. There, I will post course documents like the syllabus as well as the learning objectives, exam study guides, and other relevant course material.

Laboratory Policies:

- 1.) No food or drink is allowed in the lab at any time.
- 2.) No chewing gum in the lab.
- 3.) Absolutely no horseplay will be tolerated.
- 4.) Come on time and prepared for the lab activity and quiz for that day.
- 5.) Treat all lab equipment carefully and with respect

Course Grading Policy: Lecture grades will be based on the percentage of points earned (100% or higher = A+, 99-91% = A, 90% = A-. 88-89% = B+, 87-81% = B, 80% = B-, 79-78% = C+, 77-71% = C, 70% = C-, 69-68% = D+, 67-61% = D, 60% = D-, < 60% = F.

- 98 points: Participation (14 lab exercises @ 7 points each)
- 100 points: Quizzes (4 quizzes @ 25 points each)
- 200 points: Exams (2 exams @ 100 points each)
- 2 points: Free!
- = 400 Total points

Date	Lab Exercise	
8/24/17	#1 Scientific Method	
8/31/17	#7 Organic Molecules	
9/7/17	#2 Microscopy & #3 Cell Biology	Quiz 1
9/14/17	<u>#</u> 4 Diffusion and Osmosis	
9/21/17	<u>#</u> 8 Enzymes	Quiz 2
9/28/17	<u>#</u> 9 Molecular Genetics & #10 Mitosis	
10/5/17	Midterm Practical Exam	
10/12/17	Fall Break: No Class	
10/19/17	#11 Meiosis & Genetics	
10/26/17	<u>#</u> 12 Human Genetics	Quiz 3
11/2/17	<u>#</u> 14 Functions of Tissues and Organs	
11/9/17	<u>#</u> 15 Cardiovascular System	Quiz 4
11/16/17	<u>#</u> 16 Fetal Pig I	
11/23/17	Thanksgiving: No Class	
11/30/17	#14 Fetal Pig II	Quiz 5
12/7/17	Final Practical Exam	