BSC 181   Human Physiology and Anatomy I

Fall 2012

## COURSE INFORMATION AND POLICIES

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TENTATIVE LECTURE TOPIC OUTLINE: **The exam schedule is subject to change. Look to the class calendar or updates on ReggieNet (and in class) for any scheduling changes.**

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| Exam One Material | Exam One Date:  9/20 |
| Chapter One | Introduction |
| Chapter Two | Chemistry |
| Chapter Three | Cells |
| Chapter Four | Tissues |
| Exam Two Material | Exam Two Date:   10/4 |
| Chapter Five | Integumentary system |
| Chapter Six | Bones and skeletal system |
| Chapter Seven | Skeleton |
| Exam Three Material | Exam Three Date: 10/25 |
| Chapter Eight | Joints |
| Chapter Nine | Muscle tissue |
| Chapter Ten | Muscular system |
| Exam Four Material | Exam Four Date:  11/8 |
| Chapter Eleven | Nervous system |
| Chapter Twelve | Central nervous system |
| Exam Five Material | Exam Five Date:  11/29 |
| Chapter Thirteen | Peripheral nervous system |
| Chapter Fourteen | Autonomic nervous system |
| Chapter Fifteen | Special Senses |
| Exam Six Material | Exam Six Date: TBA |

**Scope and Purpose**:  This course is designed primarily for students majoring in health related or other fields requiring a basic understanding of human anatomy and physiology.  The course is the first in a two-semester sequence.

 BSC 181 establishes the organizational hierarchy.  We'll go from atoms to molecules to cells to tissues.  From there, we'll look at a variety of tissues and systems;  largely musculoskeletal and neural.  We will emphasize both anatomy and physiology; both form and function.

**Textbook**: Elaine Marieb’s  Human Anatomy and Physiology 9th. Ed., 2013 (required).  (You'll use the same textbook for BSC 182, so don't sell it back at the end of the semester)

Although there is eText and additional digital content available, it is **not required**.

**Reading**: You are strongly urged to complete the suggested reading prior to introduction of the topic in lecture.  Given the amount of information provided in your textbook, some topics simply cannot be discussed in detail during lecture.  The objective of the lecture not to provide an alternative to reading the book, but to help you understand the materials that you are required to know.  With that stated; **it will be necessary for you to study portions of the text and associated materials on your own**.  During your individual study, you should strive to become familiar with the general anatomical and (more importantly) the physiological aspects of each topic.  When appropriate, I will identify specific illustrations, tables, and sections deserving more thorough study along with those that can be ignored or given less emphasis.

**Assignments**:  In order to encourage and introduce an Active Study habit, you will be creating quiz questions based on the lecture material.  There will be an assignment associated with each exam.  Your responsibility is to create ten (10) high quality exam questions.   More information regarding format and expectations can be found at the class website.  Through the course of the semester, you will be completing six assignments worth 10 points each.

**Exams**:  Six examinations worth 100 points each will be given.  Your lowest exam score of the first **five** exams will automatically be dropped.  Exam six is not eligible to be dropped.  It is for this reason that **no make-up exams will be given.**  Exams are **NOT** cumulative.  Exams will be based on material presented in lecture and in your textbook.  Students are encouraged to meet with me to clarify course material or to discuss their class performance.  Course grades will be based solely on exam performance and assignments.  At this time other forms of earning credit (term papers etc.) will not likely be considered, however, I reserve the option of adding extra credit should I feel it necessary.

Class grade: Your overall grade will be composed of both your lecture grade and you lab grade. Your lecture grade makes up 75% of your score; your lab grade makes up 25% of your score.

(Lecture percentage X .75) + (Lab percentage X .25) = class grade

Grading Scale:

### Percentage                                 Final Grade

90 - 100%                                                   A

80 - 89%                                                     B

70 - 79%                                                     C

60 - 69%                                                     D

less than 60%                                              F

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SOME ADDITIONAL COURSE INFORMATION AND ADVICE CONCERNING ATTENDANCE AND STUDY HABITS

**Class attendance**.  The single most important factor in determining your success in this course is regular class attendance.  The non-attending student misses the instructor's particular explanations, interpretations and unique emphases on the topics discussed.  The lecture notes that a non-attending student would probably have to copy from an attending student may be little more than a collection of conceptually unconnected phrases or diagrams.  Additionally, attending students hear and understand the discussion of concepts that simply do not appear in their notes.

Reading - The most effective reading that can be done in this course is reading that is completed **prior** to attending the lecture.  This reading will make the lecture much easier to follow and give you a leg up in mastering a considerable set of new terms, which can be a major hurdle for many students in a beginning science course.  **Re-reading after the lecture** should be done to allow you to reflect upon and reinforce specific information presented in the lecture and to let you appropriately edit your notes.

**Note-Taking Study & Review**.  Good lecture notes must contain more than just a written summary of information presented by the instructor; they must also contain orally communicated explanations or interpretations.  While an explanation or summarizing statement may have been perfectly clear to you at the time it was given in lecture, it is not likely to be so a few days later, particularly if it is not recorded in your notes.  Your job as a professional student note taker is to make as complete a record of the lecture (both written and verbal) as possible.   **I will provide templates for the lecture on the website or through ReggieNet.  The address for my website is provided at the top of this syllabus.**  NOTE: These are **not all-inclusive** notes and you will be expected to attend lecture and expand on what I have provided.

Good lecture notes are useless unless they are thoroughly studied and are nearly useless if they are only studied shortly before the exam.  Studying "to learn and understand" rather than "studying for the exam" is the mark of a successful student.  Here are some suggestions:

(i) Study daily.  Even as little as less than an hour's study of the lecture material presented that same day is far more effective than many times that effort expended just before the exam. It is crucial that you make additional cross-references between that item and others in your notes or gleaned from your reading.  Edit your notes with this kind of additional explanatory material as soon after the lecture as possible (on the same day is best).

(ii) Practice "active" study.  Reading and re-reading, and highlighting your notes umpteen times is a passive, **and not an effective form of study**.  To the extent possible, you should attempt to actively quiz yourself or have another student quiz you.  Formal or informal study groups with up to about five students can be effective if (and only if) they meet at least once a week.  As you study, try to reformulate the statements in your notes as questions.  This more active "quiz" type approach has an additional benefit in that it allows you to immediately find that material that you thoroughly command and concentrate upon the stuff that you do not, thus saving time and effort.

(iii) **Don't confuse study with review**.   The regular, thorough and preferably active endeavor described above is study.  In contrast, review is a relatively low-level "brushing-up" activity that refreshes the long-term memory's command of the material previously acquired by active study.  Achieving the "regular attendance"/"frequent study - no cram" study lifestyle is not easy.  However, once it is established and becomes a habit, it will serve you well, in this course and all future courses you attend.

**Electronic Study Aids** – Today most textbooks come with additional study aids in the form of a CD or access to a website.  Electronic aids, such as the website associated with your book, are very beneficial and tend to hold one’s attention.  I encourage you to utilize these materials via your personal computer if you have one.

**Lecture Exam Format** - Lecture examinations during the semester will require the labeling of diagrams, defining terms and include simple "fill in the blank" questions using a multiple choice format.  As such, you will need to pay close attention to detail when reading your questions and filling in your answers.  Any student needing to arrange a reasonable accommodation for a documented disability should contact Disability Concerns at 350 Fell Hall, 438-5853(voice), 438-8620 (TDD).

**Lab**

Lab is 25% of your class grade. The Lab Syllabus can be found here.

**Academic Dishonesty**.  As your instructor I have the professional obligation to ensure that every reasonable effort is made by me to prevent academic dishonesty during the course of the class. This includes exams, assignments, assessment, lecture quizzes, article summaries, etc. You can be assured that I take this obligation very seriously.  If cheating does occur, the incident will be reported to the Chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences and to the Student Judicial Office / SCERB.  I assume that you understand your responsibilities concerning academic honesty and the consequences of not meeting those responsibilities.  Since it is important that you understand those responsibilities and the University's policies on academic dishonesty, I urge you to read the section on Academic Integrity in the Undergraduate Catalog.

**Sanctions for Academic Dishonesty (first offense)**

* Grade of 0 (zero) points on the assignment/exam/quiz in question
* A 10 percent (10%) reduction of the final grade, taken after lecture and lab scores have been tallied.
* Students pursuing a teaching certificate will have a Disposition Concerns document submitted

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**LABORATORY  INFORMATION AND POLICIES**

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**Scope and purpose:** The greater emphasis in the lab will be human anatomy (structure), with some information on physiology (function). The lab will include the use of materials such as models, videos, histology slides, textbook photographs, and diagrams.  There is also hands-on dissection of eyes and brains to learn basic mammalian anatomy; therefore, **it is highly recommended that you** **wear suitable clothing**.

**Lab grade:** The lab grade will contribute to about 25% of the overall class grade.  The total lab grade is 300 pts distributed as explained below:

**-Participation**: You will receive participation points for each lab that you attend *and* complete.

**-Article summaries** **and Case Studies**:  You will be submitting several article summaries throughout the semester.  These summaries are to cover anything related to anatomy and physiology that you can find in local or national news or publications.  **These are NOT to be journal articles or research articles.**  They should be a summary of the type of news story that can be found in the Pantagraph or CNN.com or FoxNews, or any similar source.

Case studies are being developed and may be assigned throughout the semester.  Due dates will be announced through ReggieNet and in lecture.

Article Summary or case study due dates can be found on the class calendar.

**-Lab Evaluations**

Four lab quizzes each worth 50 points

**Quiz One:       Covers labs 1 - 4**

**Quiz Two:      Covers labs 6 & 7:  Muscle and Skeleton**

**Quiz Three:    Covers labs 9 & 10:  Brain, Spinal cord, Neuro exam**

**Quiz Four:     Covers labs 12 & 13:  Eye anatomy and cranial nerves**

**Quiz format:** They are practical in nature, and may include dissections, histology slides, models, diagrams, etc. You will be asked to identify body structures and/or answer questions regarding the physiology of the structures.  Questions/diagrams will also come from the lab manual.

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| Total Lab Points | | |
| Lab quizzes | 4 quizzes @ 50 points each | 200 points |
| Article Summaries | Two at 15 points each | 30 points |
| Case Studies/Assessments | Two at 15 points each | 30 points |
| Participation Points | 40 | 40 points |
| **300 points** | | |

**The laboratory manual** **(required)**

**Lab manual is available from Phi Sigma Honorary Biological Society for $20.00 (Room 101A FHS).**

**The Phi Sigma Bookstore is open weekdays 8:30 am to 3:30 pm for the first two weeks of the semester**

**Laboratory Policies for BSC 181**

1. Each laboratory session will begin with a 5-10 minute study/review session on the previous week's laboratory material (this will be determined by your lab instructor *as needed*). You may ask the lab instructor to clarify information from the previous lab as well as review specimens according to availability etc.

2. The laboratory will then proceed to the topic of the current week's lab. The instructors will introduce the topic and provide guidance for your work***. Please read this material in the lab manual and textbook prior to the class period.*** It is important to diligently study this new material because you will be tested over it on the lab exam and this is the opportunity to discuss the material in depth with your instructor.

3. No make-ups for the lab exam will be given without suitable evidence for the missed laboratory provided to your Teaching Assistant. In case of family emergencies such as death or illness, **official documents are required**.

4. Perfect attendance will be rewarded. To obtain these points you ***must remain in the laboratory until permitted to leave by the instructor*.**

5. The total points in the laboratory section are 300 points as mentioned above.

6. There will be some limited opportunities for extra credit in the laboratory *if needed.* Specific instructions about this will be provided later in the semester.

7. You may attend ONLY that section for which you have registered. **You will not be permitted to go to another lab section** without specific permission from the lab instructors.

8.  Late policy for lab practicals:  **Class policy is that once a lab quiz is turned in, no other lab quizzes will be given out.**  If you are late to a lab quiz, you run the risk of not being able to take that quiz.  (See #3 above regarding make-ups)

9 **Plagiarism and Academic honesty**: Make extra sure that everything you write is in your own words and cited. Cheating is unethical and will not be tolerated. This will result in unpleasant disciplinary actions and may results in being dismissed from the university.  This extends not only to your article summaries and case studies, but to your practicals as well.  If cheating does occur, the incident will be reported to the Chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences and to the Student Judicial Office / SCERB.  Since it is important that you understand the University's policies on academic dishonesty, I urge you to read the section on Academic Integrity in the Undergraduate Catalog.

Plagiarism: Article summaries that have been plagiarized will earn no credit. You are not eligible for the academic dishonesty sanction for your first episode of plagiarism.

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**BSC 181 Human Physiology and Anatomy I - 2012 Lab Schedule  
This schedule is tentative.  Refer to the class calendar online for finalized versions.**

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| **For the week of** | **Lab topic /Exercise** |
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| Week one | Check ReggieNet.  Labs **may** be scheduled for the first week. |
| Week two | Microscope and Anatomical Terminology |
| Week three | Mitosis and Meiosis |
| Week four | Epithelium |
| Week five | Connective Tissues |
| Week six | **Quiz One:  microscope, terminology, mitosis, meiosis, epithelium, and CT** |
| Week seven | Skeletal System |
| Week eight | Muscle System |
| Week nine | No labs, Spring Break |
| Week ten | **Quiz Two:  covers skeletal and muscle** |
| Week eleven | Brain and Spinal Cord |
| Week twelve | Receptors and neuro exam |
| Week thirteen | **Quiz Three:  covers brain, spinal cord, and neuro** |
| Week fourteen | Eye anatomy |
| Week fifteen | Cranial nerves |
| Week Sixteen | **Quiz Four:  eye anatomy and cranial nerves** |