ANS 5935 – Reproductive Biology Seminar and Research Studies

INSTRUCTOR
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DESCRIPTION
This course provides students the opportunity to prepare and present an engaging and informative research seminar. Additionally students will be expected to attend all other seminars and participate with questions and discussion.

COURSE FORMAT
The course consists of a weekly 1-hour seminar.

TIME & PLACE
Wednesday @ 4pm in the D.H. Barron Conference Room Medical Sciences Building M-304. A full schedule of seminars can be found here.

COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES
Students will be able to critically read and interpret scientific articles, be informed of recent research developments in reproductive biology, and present a 45 minute seminar to a reproductive biology audience and address questions appropriately.

REQUIREMENTS
Enrollment in graduate school. Enrollment must be approved by Dr Bromfield to ensure a place on the seminar schedule. Students are encouraged to contact Dr Bromfield early (prior to the start of the semester).

GRADES AND GRADE POINTS
S/U, grading based on the presentation.
For information on current UF policies for assigning grade points, see here.

ABSENCES AND MAKE-UP WORK
Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments and other work are consistent with university policies that can be found here.

It is expected students will attend all seminars. During the class meetings students are expected to refrain from activities such as cell phone and internet use that distracts from the seminar and discussion.

ONLINE COURSE EVALUATION PROCESS
Student assessment of instruction is an important part of efforts to improve teaching and learning. At the end of the semester, students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course using a standard set of university and college criteria. These evaluations are conducted online at https://evaluations.ufl.edu. Evaluations are typically open for students to complete during the last two or three weeks of the semester; students will be notified of the specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results.
ACADEMIC HONESTY
As a student at the University of Florida, you have committed yourself to uphold the Honor Code, which includes the following pledge: “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.” You are expected to exhibit behavior consistent with this commitment to the UF academic community, and on all work submitted for credit at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.”

It is assumed that you will complete all work independently in each course unless the instructor provides explicit permission for you to collaborate on course tasks (e.g. assignments, papers, quizzes, exams). Furthermore, as part of your obligation to uphold the Honor Code, you should report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. It is your individual responsibility to know and comply with all university policies and procedures regarding academic integrity and the Student Honor Code. Violations of the Honor Code at the University of Florida will not be tolerated. Violations will be reported to the Dean of Students Office for consideration of disciplinary action. For more information regarding the Student Honor Code, please see here.

SOFTWARE USE
All faculty, staff and students of the university are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against university policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate.

CAMPUS HELPING RESOURCES
Students experiencing crises or personal problems that interfere with their general well-being are encouraged to utilize the university’s counseling resources. The Counseling & Wellness Center provides confidential counseling services at no cost for currently enrolled students. Resources are available on campus for students having personal problems or lacking clear career or academic goals, which interfere with their academic performance.

University Counseling & Wellness Center, 3190 Radio Road, 352-392-1575, www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/
Counseling Services
Groups and Workshops
Outreach and Consultation
Self-Help Library
Training Programs
Community Provider Database

Career Resource Center, First Floor JWRU, 392-1601, www.crc.ufl.edu/

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
The Disability Resource Center coordinates the needed accommodations of students with disabilities. This includes registering disabilities, recommending academic accommodations within the classroom, accessing special adaptive computer equipment, providing interpretation services and mediating faculty-student disability related issues. Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.
STUDENT COMPLAINTS
Residential Course: https://www.dso.ufl.edu/documents/UF_Complaints_policy.pdf
Online Course: http://www.distance.ufl.edu/student-complaint-process