# University of Guelph College of Biological Science Integrative Biology

#### **COURSE OUTLINE**

# Advances in Comparative Physiology IBIO\*6010 Winter 2018

# **Course description**

IBIO\*6010 Advances in Comparative Physiology will focus on *Epigenetic Mechanisms in Transgenerational Inheritance*. You will evaluate recent papers in this field and discuss them with your peers. Additionally you will be responsible to write a comprehensive review of one paper and present it to the class.

#### Teaching team

Professor Dr. Andreas Heyland, Office – SSC 1468, <a href="mailto:aheyland@uoguelph.ca">aheyland@uoguelph.ca</a>, ext.

56459 Office hours: Need to be scheduled

#### Course schedule

Classes

**Learning Outcomes** By the end of this course, students should be able to:

- 1) Critically evaluate the quality and significance of primary research papers.
- 2) Demonstrate advanced scientific writing proficiency.
- 3) Search and evaluate citation data.
- 4) Understand the value and responsibilities of peer review and practice peer reviewing.
- 5) Demonstrate the ability to organize and present information orally and engage an audience.

#### **Methods of Assessment**

Assignment		% Grade
1	Oral presentation of research paper	25
2	Write 3 1-2 page summaries of recent papers	45
3	Peer review	20
4	Class participation	10

#### **Schedule of Topics**

# **Course and University Policies**

# When You Cannot Meet a Course Requirement

When you find yourself unable to meet an in-course requirement because of illness or compassionate reasons, please advise the course instructor (or designated person, such as a teaching assistant) in writing, with your name, id#, and e-mail contact, and be prepared to provide supporting documentation. See the undergraduate calendar for information on regulations and procedures for Academic

Consideration: http://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-ac.shtml

#### Accessibility

The University of Guelph is committed to creating a barrier-free environment. Providing services for students is a shared responsibility among students, faculty and administrators. This relationship is based on respect of individual rights, the dignity of the individual and the University community's shared commitment to an open and supportive learning environment. Students requiring service or accommodation, whether due to an identified, ongoing disability or a short-term disability should contact Student Accessibility Services as soon as possible.

For more information, contact SAS at 519-824-4120 ext. 56208 or email <a href="mailto:csd@uoguelph.ca">csd@uoguelph.ca</a> or see the website: <a href="https://www.uoguelph.ca/csd/">https://www.uoguelph.ca/csd/</a>

#### **Academic Misconduct**

The University of Guelph is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic integrity and it is the responsibility of all members of the University community – faculty, staff, and students – to be aware of what constitutes academic misconduct and to do as much as possible to prevent academic offences from occurring. University of Guelph students have the responsibility of abiding by the University's policy on academic misconduct regardless of their location of study; faculty, staff and students have the responsibility of supporting an environment that discourages misconduct. Students need to remain aware that instructors have access to and the right to use electronic and other means of detection.

Please note: Whether or not a student intended to commit academic misconduct is not relevant for a finding of guilt. Hurried or careless submission of assignments does not excuse students from responsibility for verifying the academic integrity of their work before submitting it. Students who are in any doubt as to whether an action on their part could be construed as an academic offence should consult with a faculty member or faculty advisor.

The Academic Misconduct Policy is detailed in the Undergraduate Calendar: <a href="http://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-amisconduct.shtml">http://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-amisconduct.shtml</a> E-mail Communication

As per university regulations, all students are required to check their <@mail.uoguelph.ca> e-mail account regularly: e-mail is the official route of communication between the University and its students.

# **Drop Date**

The last date to drop one-semester courses, without academic penalty, is the 40<sup>th</sup> class day. To confirm the actual date please see the schedule of dates in the Undergraduate Calendar. For regulations and procedures for Dropping Courses, see the Undergraduate Calendar:

http://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-drop.shtml

# Copies of out-of-class assignments

Keep paper and/or other reliable back-up copies of all out-of-class assignments: you may be asked to resubmit work at any time.

### **Recording of Materials**

Presentations which are made in relation to course work—including lectures—cannot be recorded or copied without the permission of the presenter, whether the instructor, a classmate or guest lecturer. Material recorded with permission is restricted to use for that course unless further permission is granted.

#### Grading

Indicate all course policies regarding in-semester tests and assignment submissions, including time and place for submission of assignments and explicit penalties for late submissions.

# **Campus Resources**

The Academic Calendar is the source of information about the University of Guelph's procedures, policies and regulations which apply to undergraduate, graduate and diploma programs: http://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/index.cfm?index

# If you are concerned about any aspect of your academic program:

make an appointment with a program counsellor in your degree program.
 <a href="http://www.bsc.uoguelph.ca/index.shtml">http://www.bsc.uoguelph.ca/index.shtml</a> or <a href="https://www.uoguelph.ca/uaic/programcounsellors">https://www.uoguelph.ca/uaic/programcounsellors</a>

# If you are struggling to succeed academically:

 There are numerous academic resources offered by the Learning Commons including, Supported Learning Groups for a variety of courses, workshops related to time management, taking multiple choice exams, and general study skills. You can also set up individualized appointments with a learning specialist. http://www.learningcommons.uoguelph.ca/

# If you are struggling with personal or health issues:

- Counselling services offers individualized appointments to help students work through personal struggles that may be impacting their academic performance. <a href="https://www.uoguelph.ca/counselling/">https://www.uoguelph.ca/counselling/</a>
- Student Health Services is located on campus and is available to provide medical attention. https://www.uoguelph.ca/studenthealthservices/clinic
- For support related to stress and anxiety, besides Health Services and Counselling Services, Kathy Somers runs training workshops and one-on-one sessions related to stress management and high performance situations. <a href="http://www.uoguelph.ca/~ksomers/">http://www.uoguelph.ca/~ksomers/</a>

#### If you have a documented disability or think you may have a disability:

The Centre for Students with Disabilities (CSD) can provide services and support for students with a documented learning or physical disability. They can also provide information about how to be tested for a learning disability. For more information, including how to register with the centre please see: https://www.uoguelph.ca/csd/