



NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BIOL 1544

Fall 2006

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Text: Sylvia Mader, Biology, 8th Edition
ISBN 0 07 241882 6 McGraw Hill
Lab Packet for Biology I at NWACC Bookstore

Office Hours

Burns Hall – Room 1474 MW 9:30 – 12:00 a.m.; 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Last Day to Drop Classes with a W: November 3rd

Labor Day: September 4th

Thanksgiving: November 22nd – 24th

Last Day to Drop with a “W”: November 3rd

Last Day of Class: December 5th

Final Exam: December 12th 11:00 a.m.

Course Description: This course is a basic introduction to biology and will give a general definition of life, a study of the cell and its functions, the dependence of living organisms on photosynthesis and cellular respiration, and the basic principles in the study of reproduction, genetics, evolution and ecology. Lecture will be split with lab and/or class exercises. Pop quizzes over assigned readings should be expected. Videos, guest speakers, demonstrations may be used when appropriate. Grades will consist of:

Lab sheets, drawings, and assignments in/out of class	= 100 pts
Lab Reports	= 50 pts
Research paper or service learning report	= 50 pts
Four 100 point tests including final 100 pt.exam	= 400 pts
Total points:	600 pts

One field trip during class time will be made if weather allows during the semester. A research paper relating to biological science or a Service Learning reflective essay will be due no later than December 1st. Students may participate in Service Learning by completing 15 hours of volunteer work with the Ozark Natural Science Center in Huntsville, Botanical Garden Society Organization of Fayetteville, Rogers Recycling Center, Corps of Engineers Beaver Lake, etc. This experience along with a five-page reflective essay regarding the volunteer work may be substituted for the research paper.

Grading will be as follows:
A = 540 pts (90 -100%); B = 480 pts. (80 - 89%) ; C = 420. (70 - 79%);
D = 360 pts(60 - 69%). Less than 360 pts = F.

Attendance Policy: I expect you to be on time for class and avoid missing classes unless it is unavoidable. Daily work and lab work cannot be made up; major tests can be made up **only** if prior arrangements are made or if there is a verifiable, legitimate emergency. Students are responsible for finding out what work was missed and keeping up with assignments. Many students juggle work and family responsibilities with school. School attendance **must** be a definite commitment if the student is to do his/her best. Due to conflicts with one's scheduling, students who find it impossible to attend class should fill out the appropriate withdrawal forms with the registrar. Cell phones should be turned off upon entering class.

Academic Honesty: I will make every effort to insure academic honesty in both lecture and laboratory. Anyone caught will be subject to any or all of the following: no points issued for the work involved; an immediate "F" for the course; referral to college authorities for further discipline including expulsion.

Special Services: If you are a student with a disability who will be requesting accommodations, please obtain and bring an accommodation sheet to class for me to read and sign.

Maintaining a Learning Environment and Grievance Policy: Please read the Student Handbook Rights and Responsibilities of Faculty and Students Section. It is very important that we work together in providing a safe and effective learning environment in the classroom.

The grievance policy outlined in matters relating to differences of opinions on grades, assignments, and attendance or classroom procedures is as follows:

1. The student meets with the faculty member regarding any classroom problem. The student and faculty member should discuss the problem thoroughly and attempt to reach an agreement.
2. If an agreement cannot be reached between the student and faculty member, the appropriate lead faculty, department head, or division chair is contacted to mediate the problem within ten working days after the request for mediation. The student, faculty member, and lead faculty/department head/division chair are to meet together to thoroughly discuss the problem and attempt to reach a solution. John Story is lead faculty in Biology; Department Chair in Natural and Applied Sciences is Carey Chaney; Marvin Galloway is Dean of the S.M.A.R.T.H. Division.



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