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BIOS 3092

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Syllabus: BIOS 3092-008 – Independent Research (1-3 cr.)

Course prerequisites

Credit for BIOS 2014 and BIOS 2114, and MATH 2314 with a C or better are required.

Professor

Dr. Carla Penz

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Office Hours: Mon 1-3 pm, Tue 1-3 pm, Wed 1-3 pm, or by appointment

Day, time, and place of class meetings

Day and time to be decided by student and professor according to class schedule of both parties.

Meetings will take place in the Penz lab, SCI 2097.

Student learning outcomes

Provide the student with necessary background and hands-on experience on a research topic within the program of the Penz lab. The student will be engaged in two types of activities: (1) independent work (reading, writing, lab work), (2) team work (discussions, data analyses).

Attendance policy

Attendance is mandatory for all the scheduled times. The professor can and will make accommodations for student commitments (studying for exams, etc) if this is arranged ahead of time.

Required/recommended textbooks/learning resources

Pdf files of articles from the primary literature will be provided.

Tentative due dates for assignments, projects, tests, final exam

Discussion of articles and data collecting will be spread along the semester (weekly meetings). A paper will be due in the last week of the semester.

Criteria for grading and grading standards

70% of the grade will be determined by the work during the semester, and 30% will come from the paper.

Grading scale: A: 90% and above; B: 80-89%; C: 70-79%; D: 60-69%; F: below 60%

Student conduct and expectations

Given that this is a one-to-one class, the student is expected to be punctual and to perform all activities assigned for each class day. If readings are assigned in advance as a basis for discussion in class, the student is expected to read them and be prepared.

Standard statement on academic integrity

Academic integrity is fundamental to the process of learning and evaluating academic performance. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, the following: cheating, plagiarism, tampering with academic records and examinations, falsifying identity, and being an accessory to acts of academic dishonesty. Refer to the Student Code of Conduct for further information. The Code is available online at <http://www.studentaffairs.uno.edu>.

Standard statement on accommodations for students with disabilities

It is University policy to provide, on a flexible and individualized basis, reasonable accommodations to students who have disabilities that may affect their ability to participate in course activities or to meet course requirements. Students with disabilities should contact the Office of Disability Services as well as their instructors to discuss their individual needs for accommodations. For more information, please go to <http://www.ods.uno.edu>.