

2019-2020 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Graduate Courses, Workshops, Conferences



National Institutes of Health 10 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD

FAES ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AT NIH—COURSES FOR CREDIT Academic Year Calendar 2019–2020

FALL 2019 TERM SCHEDULE

July 15–September 6 August 22 September 9 September 9–20 September 27 November 15 December 13

Fall Term Holidays

October 14 November 11 November 28 Online Registration Open House Classes Start Late Registration Last Day to Drop Last Day to Change Status Classes End

Columbus Day—No Classes Veterans Day—No Classes Thanksgiving Day—No Classes

SPRING 2020 TERM SCHEDULE

November 18–January 31 January 16 February 3 February 3–14 February 21 April 10 May 8 Online Registration Open House Classes Start Late Registration Last Day to Drop Last Day to Change Status Classes End

Spring Term Holiday

February 17

Presidents' Day-No Classes

MID-TERM START, HALF-SEMESTER OR SHORTER COURSES

FAES offers a number of courses and workshops during a semester, including 14 weeks, 7 weeks, and 2–5 days in duration. Consult the website for specific start dates or email **registrar@faes.org** for more information. Generally, enrollments will be accepted until the first day of classes without a late registration fee.

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2019–2020 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND STUDENT HANDBOOK

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Letter from the Executive Dean

Dear Colleagues,

FAES has been helping scientists, researchers, and administrators achieve their goals for 60 years. FAES was established in 1959 by 11 NIH scientists to provide educational opportunities to the scientific community. In 1984, the organization expanded its services with a series of short-term lectures and laboratory hands-on workshops. Over the past six decades, FAES has grown beyond the Bethesda Campus, and now serves NIH Frederick, Rockledge, and Baltimore as well as the NIH sites in Arizona, North Carolina, and Montana. We are building many of our courses online and are now able to reach beyond the NIH Maryland to around the world.



Today, FAES offers over 150 academic credit-bearing courses and more than 40 workshops every year. We are focused on excellence and quality in all of our academic programming. To that end, we are now providing teaching and curriculum development opportunities to help those interested in teaching gain expertise in contemporary evidence-based practices.

Our passion for teaching is built into our DNA, and our curriculum and faculty development services help ensure our educational programs are rooted in best, evidence-based teaching practices that focus on how adults learn most effectively. As researchers, our students and faculty are data driven, and they require the highest possible standards for teaching and learning.

I am proud to be part of this important institution and joined FAES as its Executive Dean after many years in developing academic programs in the biotechnology industry and academia at the Johns Hopkins University. What drew me to FAES was the passion for delivering highly relevant education in a way that impacts our students' lives.

In addition to high-level courses in biomedical sciences, FAES also sponsors and runs management and leadership training classes for scientists who want to bridge the gap between the bench/bedside and business or other fields. FAES provides full-service conference management services for members of the NIH community and affiliated organizations. Since our founding, FAES has educated over 100,000 scientists and continues to expand and customize educational opportunities for the community.

I look forward to meeting you, whether you are a student, potential faculty, seminar participant, partner or colleague. Please contact me with ideas, comments or thoughts. My door is always open.

Sincerely,

Lynn Johnson Larger

Lynn Johnson Langer, PhD, MBA Executive Dean, Academic Programs Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences at NIH





FALL TERM:

August 22, 2019 4:00 – 6:00 pm

FAES Academic Center | NIH Clinical Center, Bethesda, MD

SPRING TERM:

January 16, 2020 4:00 – 6:00 pm

FAES Academic Center | NIH Clinical Center, Bethesda, MD

Register for credit and non-credit courses and workshops in biomedical sciences, public health, technology transfer, ESL, and more!

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FAES FAES Mission

The Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences (FAES) is a non-profit foundation committed to promoting the productivity and attractiveness of professional life on the National Institutes of Health (NIH) campuses by providing advanced educational programs and supporting biomedical research within the NIH intramural program. Located at NIH's main campus in Bethesda, Maryland, FAES programs complement the work of the NIH in accomplishing its mission of research and training in the biomedical sciences.

ABOUT FAES

In the early 1950s, a group of scientists at NIH organized a Graduate Evening Program to allow investigators to supplement their laboratory training with advanced formal education. The rapid growth of the program prompted the creation of a non-profit organization to administer this initiative and related programs. In 1959, FAES was created by 11 prominent NIH scientists, including future Nobel laureate Dr. Christian Anfinsen. More than sixty years later, FAES still maintains the core values on which it was founded.

FAES's range of programs and services include: academic credit-bearing scientific and non-scientific courses; workshops; advanced studies programs in bioinformatics and data science, public health, and in technology transfer; bookstore; conference management and training services; social and academic center; music and concert series; Fellows housing; sponsorship of NIH symposia, lecture and seminar series as well as select Office of Intramural Training and Education (OITE) programs such as Graduate Partnership Program (GPP) Student Lounge; and, group medical insurance plans for NIH Fellows.

PROMOTING BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH WITHIN The Nih Intramural Program Since 1959



FAES Academic Programs at NIH operates a non-degree-granting independent postsecondary school. Our mission is to provide instruction at the cutting edge of biological sciences and its evolving

applications. FAES goals also include responding to the educational and cultural needs of the NIH community and projecting FAES educational assets globally.

ABOUT FAES ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AT NIH

FAES Academic Programs at NIH fosters education and research in the biomedical sciences by sponsoring formal and informal instruction as well as sharing of knowledge and collaboration on the NIH campuses.

FAES delivers high-quality and innovative educational programs in a dynamic, culturally diverse learning setting. We currently have seven departments and offer over 200 daytime workshops and credit-bearing evening courses annually to fit around the schedule of working professionals.



In 1984, FAES expanded its educational services to the NIH community by offering a series of short-term specialized biotechnology workshops, lectures, and hands-on laboratory exercises.

FAES Academic Programs workshops train biomedical researchers, technicians, and life sciences enthusiasts in the latest biomedical technologies and lab skills through a comprehensive selection of postgraduate-level lectures and laboratory trainings.

The FAES workshops have been developed by experienced bench scientists and computational biologists. The workshops are team taught by active researchers from the NIH, in addition to leading experts from academia and industry.

By taking FAES's workshops, researchers and professionals in the biomedical sciences or bio- and/or pharmaceutical industries will be able to hone their skills and get trained for the next job in their career.

In addition to high-level courses in biomedical sciences, FAES also sponsors and runs management and leadership training classes for scientists who want to bridge the gap between the bench/bedside and business or other fields. FAES provides full-service conference management services for members of the NIH community and affiliated organizations.

FAES Academic Programs trained over 100,000 scientists, technicians, entrepreneurs, and life sciences enthusiasts!

- We prepare learners for lifelong professional success in careers in biomedical research, academic research and education, clinical practice, private businesses, and non-profit organizations.
- We deliver broad and varied learning experiences that build a knowledgeable and skilled NIH research community.
- We share knowledge and develop skills and competencies to enhance the career trajectory and professional development of our students.
- We serve NIH's global researcher population by organizing English as a Second Language courses to improve spoken and written English language skills.
- We provide teaching opportunities for NIH postdoctoral Fellows in order to prepare them for an academic career.
- We attract dedicated, diverse, and highly-gualified faculty.
- We seek to cultivate a student population who develop a sense of responsibility for their ongoing development and professional competence consistent with the evolving needs of biomedical sciences, healthcare, and society.



FAES Innovative and Quality Education

Advanced Studies in Public Health

Thinking of a career change?

Looking to broaden your horizon or strengthen skills in health sciences?

Want to network with leading practitioners and research scientists?



Build competencies in epidemiology, biostatistics, environmental health sciences, health policy and management, social and behavioral sciences.

Enroll now in our 21-credit curriculum designed to fit the needs of the working professional!

> For more information, visit us at www.faes.org/ap

APPROVALS

FAES Academic Programs at NIH operates as a non-degree-granting independent postsecondary institution.

Credit-bearing courses of FAES Academic Programs may be accepted in transfer at other colleges and universities. For approval and specific information, students need to consult the transfer policies of the receiving institution.

Credit-bearing academic courses do not include laboratory work unless this activity is stated specifically in the course description. FAES daytime workshops are hands on, held in a laboratory setting and are not credit bearing.

General Information

ADMISSION

Courses are open to all qualified persons, both government and non-government. FAES Academic Programs at NIH has an open-enrollment policy, provided that students meet any applicable prerequisites as indicated in the course descriptions.

Enrollment requirements differ based on the level of the course for which the student wishes to register. Undergraduate courses, in general, are open to persons who are at the minimum high school graduates, or equivalent, and who qualify for the course because of satisfactory work experience. For admission to more advanced courses, college coursework in the same or related field is specified or understood. For some courses, prerequisites may be required. For yearlong courses, registration for the second half of the year (i.e. spring semester) requires the completion of the course in the first semester or the permission of the instructor.

Students who do not have a clear financial record with FAES will not be permitted to register for future courses.

FAES does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, national or ethnic origin or veteran status in the administration of its educational programs, admissions policies, scholarship programs, and other educational policies.

REGISTRATION FOR FAES CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

Our website **www.faes.org/ap** contains the latest and most up-to-date information on class offerings and schedules. Courses that are shorter than 14 weeks may have different registration dates, depending on the start date of the course. Registration is required each semester for yearlong courses.

The registration dates and deadlines and the academic calendar can be found on the inside front cover of the Catalog of Courses and on our website at **www.faes.org/ap**.



The fastest and easiest way to register is online through our online registration portal. Register online with a credit card by following the link at **www.faes.org/ap**.

We also accept online payments from third parties. Employers, such as Administrative Officers or HR personnel, can make a payment by visiting the third-party Payment Gateway at https://faes.org/student-payment.

We also accept registration by email, fax, or in person. If registering by submitting the Enrollment Form by email, fax, or in person, it is important that students submit accurate and complete information by filling out all required fields. Enrollment Forms can be downloaded from our website at **www.faes.org/ap**.

REGISTRATION FOR FAES WORKSHOPS

FAES's workshops are open to the broader NIH community as well as to the general public. Registration occurs online throughout the year on a first-come, first-served basis. Seats are limited in each workshop, so make sure to grab your seat in advance.

Please visit our website at **www.faes.org/ap** to find the latest schedule of the workshops. FAES reserves the right to change the duration of the workshops as advertised in the Catalog of Courses or to modify workshop course content at any time. Course content will align with the main themes of the workshop, as indicated in the title of the workshop.

VISIT WWW.FAES.ORG/AP FOR INFORMATION ON TUITION, CLASS TIMES, AND LOCATION.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION—WORKSHOPS

The deadline for registration is one week before the first day of each workshop. If you are unable to register before the deadline, please email **training@faes.org** or call **301-496-7977** to check on seat availability.

Please note: FAES workshops do not follow the enrollment timeline of the credit-bearing academic courses; dates and deadlines posted on the academic calendar of the FAES Academic Programs Credit-Bearing Courses are not applicable.

PAYMENT

FAES is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing highly affordable and quality courses to the biomedical research community at the NIH and the general public. Therefore, payments for classes must be received in a timely manner.

PAYMENT MADE BY CREDIT CARD

All self-funded students must pay for the classes at the time of registration either through logging back into their account on the Student Portal OR by simply visiting our Payment Gateway at **https://faes.org/student-payment** to make a payment by credit card. Credit cards accepted are MasterCard, Visa, or Discover. Students sponsored by their NIH labs or employers should make sure that they first enroll in the course online while waiting for the authorization of payment. Receiving institutional approval for payment does NOT constitute enrollment in FAES courses.

FAES expects payment by the start date of classes from **third-party sponsors**, such as employers or **Administrative Officers at NIH institutes**. Please email us for permission to be kept in the class in case your institute needs time beyond the start date of the term to process the request for training funds. **Third-party sponsors can make a payment with a credit card** through our secure and convenient Payment Gateway at **https://faes.org/studentpayment**. Credit cards accepted are MasterCard, Visa, or Discover.

PAYMENT MADE BY CHECK OR SF-182 TRAINING FORM

FAES also accepts payment by check or SF-182 U.S. Government Training Voucher. If the course will be paid with a SF-182 Government Training Voucher, please contact your Administrative Officer for guidance on your institution's internal process for requesting training funds.

If paying by check, please be sure to first enroll in the course online. Check payments, together with an Enrollment Form, should be mailed to:

Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences PO Box 62861 Baltimore, MD 21264-2861

TUITION AND FUNDING—CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

TUITION

FAES Academic Programs at NIH offers great value and unparalleled cost-effectiveness. Tuition for credit-bearing courses is \$177.00 per credit, except for courses in the languages and general studies department, which are \$160.00 per credit. Courses are typically 1-3 credits, thus the tuition for most courses ranges between \$160.00-\$531.00 (except for GENE510 and GENE644 courses). Please consult the Catalog of Courses to determine the credit hours and the applicable tuition fee for each course.

Students 65 years and over are eligible for 50% reduced tuition (for evening classes only).

SCHOLARSHIP AND FUNDING

FAES's core mission is to provide affordable academic courses that remain accessible to working professionals and researchers who are interested in furthering their education and career goals and meet the applicable prerequisites for the course.

FAES provides limited partial scholarships, offering 50% tuition discount per credit, to eligible students in need of financial assistance and who can make a short and compelling justification as to how the respective FAES course would help them in their career or professional development. The award of a scholarship is contingent upon the recipient taking the course for credit and completing the course satisfactorily, which is determined as "C" or above, or "Pass," when the course is graded on a Pass/Fail basis.

The **FAES Student Scholarship Fund** provides partial scholarships to postbac, graduate, and postdoctoral Fellows as well as NIH, non-NIH government or non-profit employees with limited income working in the research, practice, or education of health sciences.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, students should complete the Scholarship Application Form available at **www.faes.org/ap** and submit the form electronically, including a current C.V./resume, to **registrar@faes.org**, with SUBJECT LINE: FAES Scholarship Application_(insert last name here).

Only complete applications will be considered. All applicants, please be sure to first register for the course online. If you do not register, and the course fills up by the time the scholarships are determined, you will not be granted a seat in the course.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application during the last week of the regular registration period.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

August 26, 2019 (Fall 2019) and January 20, 2020 (Spring 2020).

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

FAES will only consider applications for one course per semester. Expenses for textbooks are not covered.

The award of a scholarship is contingent upon the recipient taking the course for credit and completing the course satisfactorily, which is determined as "C" or above, or "Pass," when the course is graded on a Pass/Fail basis.

The application form is available on our website at www.faes.org/ap.

ADVANCED STUDIES

ADVANCED STUDIES IN BIOINFORMATICS AND DATA SCIENCE

The FAES Academic Programs at NIH offers a unique Advanced Studies in Bioinformatics and Data Science to serve the quickly evolving needs of today's biomedical research community. As one of the most dynamic fields intersecting biology and computer science, bioinformatics and its data analysis tools equip life sciences researchers and professionals with highly in-demand skills in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. Courses are offered in the evenings, making it convenient for working professionals and postgraduate Fellows to gain expertise and experience in the theoretical foundations and practical skills required to harvest the wealth of information contained in the vast amount of biological phenomena. The courses have been designed to train today's biomedical researchers in new methods and techniques in data science and prepare them to translate and analyze the immensity of biological data.

The program is open to persons with an advanced degree in life sciences or STEM fields and comprises a 14-credit curriculum of required and elective courses. To learn more, please visit us at **www.faes.org/ap** or look up the Department of Bioinformatics and Data Science in the Catalog of Courses.

ADVANCED STUDIES IN PUBLIC HEALTH

The FAES Academic Programs at NIH offers a unique Advanced Studies in Public Health to persons with a Bachelor's degree or above. Courses are offered in the evenings, making it convenient for working professionals and postgraduate Fellows to gain the expertise and experience to enhance current employment position or facilitate transitioning into a career in public health by gaining an overview of the five core disciplines of public health: biostatistics; environmental health sciences; epidemiology; health policy and management; and, social and behavioral sciences.

The program comprises a 21-credit curriculum of required courses. To learn more, please visit us at **www.faes.org/ap** or look up the Department of Public Health in the Catalog of Courses.

ADVANCED STUDIES IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

The FAES Academic Programs at NIH offers a unique Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer to persons with a Bachelor's degree in science or engineering or a related field. Courses are offered in the evenings, making it convenient for working professionals and postgraduate Fellows to gain expertise and experience in patenting, licensing, collaborative agreements, and other fundamental intellectual property transactions. The technology transfer profession field employs more than 10,000 professionals in the U.S., with many practicing their trade in the greater Washington, D.C. metro area. The course instructors are leading practitioners in the field, so students can simultaneously gain the necessary knowledge and build professional networks.

The program comprises a 15-credit curriculum of required and elective courses. To learn more, please visit us at **www.faes.org/ap** or look up the Department of Technology Transfer, Business, and Industry in the Catalog of Courses.

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COURSE HOURS AND ATTENDANCE

Most classes are held between 4:30 and 8:30 PM. Enrolled students are expected to complete the entire course, and even unavoidable absences do not relieve them from being responsible for work assigned during the course. Students may not attend classes until they have officially registered for the course through FAES's online registration portal or by submitting a complete Enrollment Form to FAES.

COURSE-LEVEL TABLE

FAES Academic Programs at NIH offers courses at the following levels:

1 to 99	general adult education (may not be at undergraduate level)
100 to 199	lower-college level (Freshman/Sophomore)
200 to 299	upper-college level (Junior/Senior)
300 to 399	senior and graduate levels
400 to 499	graduate students and qualified seniors
500 to 600	graduate and/or professional level
600 to 700	Board Examination subspecialty courses

TRANSFER OF CREDIT AND AGREEMENTS WITH HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN THE AREA

Students who wish to transfer FAES academic credits to other institutions in the U.S. or worldwide should not assume that courses taken at FAES will be automatically accepted in transfer, although FAES courses may be accepted in transfer by U.S. colleges or universities. Students who wish to work for an undergraduate, graduate, or higher degree should consult, in advance, with the institution from which they expect to receive their future degree, and, if applicable, receive approval for any courses at FAES at NIH that they plan to use toward their degree.

TRANSFER AND ADVANCED STANDING AGREEMENTS

FAES has partnered with area universities to offer FAES students unique academic opportunities and pathways of study toward degree completion.

HOOD COLLEGE

FAES students who have completed certain courses at FAES in bioinformatics, public health, statistics, and technology transfer may waive up to two-nine credits, if accepted, into the following Hood academic programs: Bioinformatics Master's in Science degree or Certificate program; Master's in Biomedical Science; and, Master's of Business Administration.

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FAES students who have successfully completed FAES's Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer are eligible for advanced standing in Johns Hopkins's Master of Biotechnology Enterprise and Entrepreneurship (MBEE), provided

POLICY ON ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

The FAES Academic Programs at NIH prides itself on providing quality educational experiences and upholds the highest level of honesty, integrity, and mutual respect. It is our policy that cheating, fabrication or plagiarism by students is not acceptable in any form. If a student is found to be in violation of any, or all of the below, his/her credits will be forfeited, and he/she may not be allowed to enroll in future courses or education programs administered by FAES.

- Cheating is defined as an attempt to give or obtain inappropriate/unauthorized assistance during any academic exercise, such as during examination, homework assignment, and class presentation.
- Fabrication is defined as the falsification of data, information or citations in any academic materials.
- Plagiarism is defined as using the ideas, methods, or written words of another, without proper acknowledgment and with the intention that they be taken as the work of the deceiver. These include, but are not limited to, the use of published articles, paraphrasing, copying someone else's homework and turning it in as one's own, and failing to reference footnotes. Procuring information from online sources without proper attribution also constitutes plagiarism.

that they have met the admission requirements and are accepted into the MBEE program. Those with advanced standing may waive up to two elective courses in the MBEE program. Maryland University of Integrative Health (MUIH)

FAES students who have completed certain courses at FAES in chemistry, pharmacology, public health, and toxicology may waive credits if accepted into MUIH's graduate programs in integrative health (http://www.muih.edu/admissions/ transfer-information).

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY (UMBC)

FAES students who have completed certain courses in bioinformatics and data science may waive up to fifteen credits if accepted into UMBC's Master of Professional Studies (MPS) in Data Science. Conversely, qualified UMBC data science students may take up to nine credits from certain FAES bioinformatics and data science courses, to be transferred as pathway courses into UMBC's MPS in Data Science. An additional six credits may be transferred in to fulfill core program requirements within the UMBC MPS.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (UMUC)

FAES students who have completed certain courses at FAES in bioinformatics and technology transfer may waive up to six-nine credits if accepted into the following UMUC graduate programs: Master's in Biotechnology with a specialization in Bioinformatics; Master's in Biotechnology with a specialization in Regulatory Affairs; Master's in Data Analytics; and, Certificate in Bioinformatics.

To learn more about credit transfer opportunities at area universities, please email registrar@faes.org.

CREDITS AND GRADES

CREDIT

One credit corresponds to 15 standard classroom hours. A standard classroom hour is defined as 50 minutes of instruction time and 10 minutes break. Students registered for credit must complete all coursework as required by the instructor.

AUDIT

An auditor must pay the same tuition fee and meet the same prerequisites as a credit student. S/he receives full privileges of class participation, if s/he chooses to exercise them. An auditor does not receive a grade or credit; s/he receives a grade of "AUD."

CHANGE FROM CREDIT TO AUDIT

Students may request status change from credit to audit, or vice versa, provided the request is submitted in writing to the FAES Academic Programs at **registrar@faes.org** and in accordance with the published timeline. Reporting a creditaudit change to the instructor does not constitute an official change. **Students who have been sponsored by their home institutions or employers to take FAES courses must submit written approval from their Administrative Officers when requesting a change from credit to audit.**

GRADES

Grades are due to be submitted within three weeks of the end of the semester or within three weeks of the last class, as applicable. Grades will be posted and available for students to view in the online Student Portal.

Grades are assigned on the following scale:



*"I" indicates that the required coursework has not been completed. "I" may be changed to another grade if the student provides the instructor with a satisfactory explanation and arranges to complete the work within a reasonable time.

DROPPING COURSES AND REFUND POLICY

Students may drop courses through self-service by logging into the Student Portal until the 3rd week of the term.

Alternatively, the intent to drop a course at the FAES Academic Programs **must be made in writing** to the Academic Programs at **registrar@faes.org**. **Reporting a course withdrawal to the instructor is not considered official**.

REFUND

To obtain a refund, a course must be officially dropped by the refund deadline, as indicated in the academic calendar. The intent to drop (withdraw from) a course must be made in writing to the FAES Academic Programs at **registrar@ faes.org**. Reporting a course withdrawal to the instructor is not considered official.

Refund of tuition fees will be granted only in cases when the FAES Academic Programs is notified in writing and in accordance with the published schedule for full-semester courses. For a refund schedule for courses of shorter duration, please contact the FAES Academic Programs at **registrar@faes.org**.

Until end of 1st week	100% tuition, less \$25.00 per course
2nd week	80% of tuition
3rd week	50% of tuition
After 3rd week	No refund and no withdrawal will be granted

Note: late fees are not refundable. Refunds or withdrawals will not be granted to students who do not have a clear financial record with FAES.

Refunds will be computed as of the date the written intent to drop is received in the FAES Academic Programs Office. In no case will tuition be reduced or refunded because of lack of attendance in classes or because students failed to consult with the instructor in advance of registration, in cases when the course description indicates that students must email the instructor for permission to enroll in the class.

SPONSORED STUDENTS

Students whose courses will be paid for by their employers need to coordinate in advance with their Administrative Officers or HR departments to determine whether they are liable to pay the prorated portion of the tuition in cases when they wish to drop a course.

Students who are recipients of an FAES scholarship will have the prorated tuition withheld when refunds are to be paid due to dropping a course.

INVOLUNTARY WITHDRAWALS

Students are allowed to drop a course involuntarily for the following reasons:

- Illness of student or immediate family member (child, parent, spouse, or member of household)
- Death of student or immediate family member (see above)
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Academic Year Calendar 2019-2020

FALL 2019 TERM SCHEDULE

July 15–September 6 August 22 **September 9**

September 9-20 September 27 November 15 **December 13**

Fall Term Holidays

October 14 November 11 November 28 Online Registration Open House **Classes Start** Late Registration Last Day to Drop Last Day to Change Status **Classes End**

Columbus Day—No Classes Veterans Day—No Classes Thanksgiving Day—No Classes

SPRING 2020 TERM SCHEDULE

November 18–January 31 January 16 **February 3** February 3-14 February 21 April 10 **May 8**

Spring Term Holidays

February 17

Online Registration Open House Classes Start Late Registration Last Day to Drop Last Day to Change Status Classes End

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CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

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BIOC 101	Biochemistry in Health and Diseases
BIOC 302	Biochemistry II
BIOC 330	Principles of Protein Structure
BIOC 532	Biological Importance of Modifications in DNA and Chromatin
CHEM 101	General Chemistry I
CHEM 102	General Chemistry II
CHEM 211	Organic Chemistry I
CHEM 212	Organic Chemistry II
CHEM 327	The Art of Drug Design and Discovery
PHYS 333	Principles of Medical Imaging
PHAR 328	FDA Perspective on Drug Development
PHAR 400	Pharmacology
PHAR 401	Medical Pharmacology
PHAR 500	Principles of Clinical Pharmacology
TOXI 303	Introduction to Toxicology
WORKSHOPS	
BIOC 035	Immunofluorescence and Confocal Microscopy
BIOC 053	Super Resolution Microscopy
BIOC 062	Image Processing and Analysis
BIOC 099	Principles and Methods in Electrophysiology

CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

BIOC 101

2 credits

Biochemistry in Health and Diseases

This course is designed to provide a broad overview of basic biological chemistry and its relationship to human health and disease. Each class will cover a major category of the molecules of life and a human disease and/or health issue that relates to the topics: why we should eat fruits and vegetables; why milk is supplemented with vitamin D; why some people are lactose intolerant; or, how insulin helps people with diabetes. Particular emphasis will be placed on the interactions between metabolic pathways, the basis of human diseases, and current medical therapies. Lectures will be followed by group discussions of real-life case studies. By taking this course, students will gain a fundamental knowledge of biochemistry and the role of the molecules of life in control of human health and well-being.

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Learning objectives:

- Describe major categories of the molecules of life
- Discuss how major metabolic pathways control human health
- Explain the 'Central Dogma' of molecular biology and give examples of genetic diseases
- Prepare an original presentation about a disease of interest to discuss with the class

Prerequisites: open to anyone with an interest in science and basic (high-school or undergraduate-level) knowledge of chemistry and biology.

BIOC 301

Biochemistry I

BIOC 301 and BIOC 302 provide a comprehensive survey of biochemistry at the graduate level. BIOC 301 will cover the structure and function of biological macromolecules as well as topics on metabolic pathways, including glycolysis, citric acid cycle, and oxidative phosphorylation. The course will also cover current methods used in biochemistry and medicine.

Learning objectives:

- Understand protein structure and thermodynamics
- Describe protein-protein interaction and structure-function relationships in biochemical systems
- Name structure and function of carbohydrates and lipids, aspects of central metabolism
- Identify nucleic acid biochemistry

Prerequisites: organic chemistry or consent of the instructor.

BIOC 302

Biochemistry II

BIOC 302 is a continuation of BIOC 301. The two courses provide a comprehensive overview of biochemistry at the graduate level. The spring course will cover metabolism and biosynthesis of biological macromolecules, such as glycogen, fatty acid, amino acid and nucleotide.

Learning objectives:

- Understand protein structure and thermodynamics
- Describe protein-protein interaction and structure-function relationships in biochemical systems
- Name structure and function of carbohydrates and lipids, aspects of central metabolism
- Identify nucleic acid biochemistry

Prerequisites: BIOC 301 or consent of the instructor.

BIOC 330

Principles of Protein Structure

The goal of this course is to present and discuss popular structural biology techniques and data, and to teach students to analyze and evaluate their own and others' data with a critical eye. Major topics of discussion will include nuclear magnetic resonance, X-ray crystallography, and cryo-electron microscopy. In addition, other biophysical techniques, used to assist in the determination of protein structure, will be covered, as directed by student interest. Assessments will include evaluation of in-class discussions, a presentation or paper, and various active learning assessments.

Learning objectives:

- Read and discuss primary literature concerning structural biology and biophysical techniques
- Describe principles used to determine structures from major structural biology techniques
- Interpret and evaluate the quality of macromolecular structures
- Compare different techniques used to determine biomolecule structure, kinetics, and thermodynamics

Prerequisites: previous coursework in biology and chemistry is required or permission of the instructor.



18

3 credits

3 credits

BIOC 532

Biological Importance of Modifications in DNA and Chromatin

Chromatin modifications play important roles in many cellular processes, including the regulation of gene expression, DNA repair, and the heterochromatin formation. This course will explore the various biological roles chromatin modifications play in eukaryotic cells. Topics that will be discussed include: histone and DNA modifications and the enzymes responsible for these modifications; mechanisms of chromatin remodeling and transcription regulation; the role of non-coding RNAs in chromatin structure and gene regulation; higher-order chromatin organization and the use of various chromosome capture conformation methods; and, chromatin structure and DNA damage repair. In addition, this course will introduce students to the genomewide analysis of ChIP-seq and RNA-seq data using a variety of softwares, including publicly accessible web servers such as Galaxy and UCSC genome browser.

Learning objectives:

- Understand basic concepts behind epigenetics
- Understand why epigenetics is important in understanding human diseases
- Explain how epigenetic mechanisms work

Prerequisites: general understanding of basic concepts in genetics and biochemistry.

CHEM 101

General Chemistry I

In this introduction to chemistry, a conceptual understanding will be emphasized to show how chemistry can apply to health-related situations. The goal is to familiarize students with chemistry concepts and to provide the skills necessary to carry out lab work using these skills. Problem-solving will also be stressed. CHEM 101 will be taught at a chemistrymajor level, and will provide the background for organic chemistry, biochemistry, and other health sciences where chemistry is utilized.

Learning objectives-specific topics included cover:

- properties of matter
- units of measurement
- elements & compounds
- homogeneous and heterogeneous mixtures
- conservation of mass
- states of matter
- symbols and formulae
- stoichiometry
- the periodic table
- electronic structure
- covalent bonding
- molecular structure
- gas laws
- acid-base reactions
- solution properties

CHEM 102

General Chemistry II

As in CHEM 101, a conceptual understanding will be emphasized to show how the chemistry learned during the course can apply to health-related situations. The goal is to familiarize students with chemistry concepts and to provide the skills necessary to carry out lab work using these skills. We will also stress problem-solving. CHEM 102 will be taught at a chemistry-major level, and will provide the background for organic chemistry, biochemistry, and other health sciences where chemistry is utilized.

Learning objectives-specific topics included cover:

- chemical equilibrium
- redox reactions

Prerequisites: CHEM 101 or equivalent.

 introduction to organic and biochemistry

3 credits

2 credits



CHEM 211

Organic Chemistry I

This course will provide students with a solid foundation in organic chemistry through a systematic study of the chemistry of carbon compounds, including alkanes, alkenes, alkynes, alkyl halides, and aromatic compounds. These compounds will be discussed in relation to appropriate concepts of structure and bonding, stereochemistry, transition state theory, mechanisms, resonance, and spectroscopy. The application of the above to synthetic organic chemistry will be emphasized. Considerations in biochemistry, medicine, and pharmacology will be made. The first semester will be concerned with structural bonding, stereochemistry, aliphatic compounds and mechanism. The application of the above topics to synthetic organic chemistry will be emphasized. Connections between the fields of organic chemistry and biochemistry, medicine, and pharmacology will be also highlighted.

Learning objectives:

- Draw and interpret chemical structures
- Predict chemical properties based on structural information
- Predict products for chemical reactions
- Draw mechanisms for chemical transformations

Prerequisites: general chemistry or consent of the instructor.

CHEM 212

Organic Chemistry II

This is a continuation of CHEM 211, with the goal of providing a solid foundation in organic chemistry. The second semester will cover alcohols, esters, carboxylic acids, amides, ethers, amines, aldehydes, and ketones, with a brief overview of some biologically relevant structures such as carbohydrates, amino acids, DNA, RNA, and lipids. The application of the above topics to synthetic organic chemistry will be emphasized, and connections between the fields of organic chemistry and biochemistry, medicine, and pharmacology will be highlighted.

Learning objectives:

- Draw and interpret chemical structures
- Predict chemical properties based on structural information
- Predict products for chemical reactions
- Draw mechanisms for chemical transformations

Prerequisites: CHEM 211 or equivalent.

CHEM 327

The Art of Drug Design and Discovery

The objective of this course is to explore the fundamental principles of modern drug discovery, with an emphasis on antiviral and anticancer drug design. A brief history of the discovery of hallmark drugs, such as penicillin, will serve as a backdrop for in-depth discussions on state-of-the-art techniques for target discovery and validation, lead discovery and lead optimization. Several classes of compounds with therapeutic potential will be discussed, such as peptides, carbohydrates, nucleosides and their analogs (mimetics). The latest methods in molecular modeling, high throughout screening and structure-activity relationships will be presented. The concept of 'rational' drug design based on highresolution target structures derived from NMR and X-ray crystallography will be stressed. The course will benefit from guest lectures from outstanding researchers in specific fields of interest.

Learning objectives:

- Gain a solid working knowledge of modern drug-discovery process
- Understand molecular basis for the mechanism of action of a variety of drug types
- Acquire chemical/biological insights necessary to apply what is learned to one's own research

Prerequisite: organic chemistry.

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

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PHYS 333

Principles of Medical Imaging

Over the past decades, advances in diagnostic medical imaging have led to significantly improved patient outcomes. This course provides the foundation to help students understand the theory and applications of medical-imaging modalities (X-ray, CT, ultrasound, and MRI), with an emphasis on neuroimaging. Students will study the process of image formation from a signals and systems perspective and will learn the tools necessary to evaluate the performance of diagnostic imaging systems and will thus identify common sources of imaging artifacts. Through group activities and in-class discussions, students will be encouraged to apply their critical-thinking skills to current challenges in medical-imaging research.

Learning objectives:

- Explain how medical images are formed for each imaging modality
- Characterize the performance of diagnostic imaging systems using parameters, such as spatial resolution, signal-tonoise ratio, point spread function, etc.
- Describe and compare common image reconstruction algorithms
- Identify potential sources of imaging artifacts, such as signal bandwidth limitations, digitization, faulty hardware components, physiological motion, etc.
- Evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of different imaging modalities for specific clinical applications

Prerequisites: calculus; physics (mechanics, optics, and electromagnetism).

PHAR 328

FDA Perspective on Drug Development

This course will cover drug development from the FDA perspective. The FDA's roles and responsibilities related to the various components of the Investigational New Drug (IND) phase of drug development will be covered in detail, including Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls (CMC), Pharmacology/Toxicology, Biometrics, Clinical Trials, Statistics and Inspection. In addition, a comparison of the development of biologic drugs versus small molecule drugs will be presented. Discussion of pediatric testing and the use of juvenile animal studies in this respect will also be included. The New Drug Application (NDA) process will be discussed in terms of product-label development. Aspects of the post-approval phase of drug development will be covered, in addition to OTC products and drug shortage issues. Finally, attendees will have the opportunity to discuss case studies, labels, and to analyze data and make approval decisions.

Learning objectives:

- Understand drug development from the FDA perspective, including data analysis, label review, and final approval decisions
- Participate in case studies of real-world drug development scenarios
- Apply knowledge gained in this course to positions in industry and government

Prerequisite: college-level biological sciences.

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

PHAR 400

Pharmacology

The objective of this course is to present the pharmacological basis of therapeutics through a discussion of the principles of drug action and the mechanism of action of representative agents. The initial portion of the course will be devoted to an exploration of concepts such as pharmacokinetics, drug metabolism, dose-response relationships, resistance, and toxicity. Subsequent portions of the course will focus on the chemistry, mechanism of action, and pharmacologic action of drugs affecting the autonomic and central nervous systems, the cardiovascular, and renal systems, pathogenic microbes, cancer, and hormones. A review of the relevant physiology of each organ system will be presented.

Learning objectives:

- Provide basic scientific concepts and principles that will serve as the foundation for understanding the pharmacology of specific drugs
- Introduce comprehensively fundamental pharmacology and uses of the major classes of clinically important drugs



2 credits

PHAR 401

Medical Pharmacology

The objective of this course is to provide students with a comprehensive introduction to fundamental pharmacology, scientific principles of drug action, the mechanisms by which drugs mediate their pharmacological effect, and the basics of drug development and approval processes. The first half of the course will cover basic scientific concepts and principles that will serve as the basis for understanding the pharmacology of specific drugs. The second half will focus on the introduction to major physiological systems of human body, such as the nervous system, the endocrine system, the pharmacology and clinical use of the major class of clinically important drugs, chemistry, mechanism of action and pharmacologic action of drugs affecting these systems, pathogenic microbes, viruses, and cancer.

Learning objectives:

- Understand basic concepts in pharmacology
- Identify the basics of clinical studies, drug development, and approval processes
- Describe drug action and understand the mechanisms of individual drug action at the cellular, organ, and body level
- Acquire fundamental knowledge of central concepts in chemotherapy
- Comprehend the basis of drug action in the context of disease treatments

Prerequisites: basic concepts in biology, chemistry, and biochemistry.

PHAR 500

ONLINE Principles of Clinical Pharmacology

This course delivered by the NIH Clinical Center is an online lecture series covering the fundamentals of clinical pharmacology as a translational scientific discipline focused on rational drug development and utilization in therapeutics. The course focuses on the following core principles of pharmacology: pharmacokinetics; drug metabolism and transport; drug therapy in special populations; assessment of drug effects; drug discovery and development; pharmacogenomics and pharmacotherapy.

This course will be of interest to graduate students, postdoctoral Fellows, medical and pharmacy students, scientists, and health professionals interested in expanding their pharmacology knowledge base.

Learning objectives:

- Provide an in-depth look at drug absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion
- Describe the impact of age, pregnancy, and disease on pharmacokinetics
- Describe the basic principles in the assessment of drug effects
- Describe the process of drug discovery and development
- Provide an overview of clinical pharmacotherapy, including pharmacogenomics and medication safety

For questions regarding course content, please email cc-od_clinp@mail.cc.nih.gov.

TOXI 303

Introduction to Toxicology

Toxicology is the study of the adverse effects of chemical, physical, or biological agents on living organisms and the ecosystem, including the prevention and amelioration of such effects. Knowledge of toxicology is essential in the areas of drug development, medicine, environmental, occupational and public health, as well as in chemical and pharmaceutical industries.

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the general principles of toxicology, the various classes of toxic agents, and the organ and biochemical systems that these agents affect. The course will also focus on the prevention and management of toxicity from several agents. During the course, students will review several events of human and companion animal toxicity that are reported in the medical literature and/or in the media, with the aim to translate theoretical concepts into a real-world context.

This is a great course for those contemplating graduate study in the fields of toxicology or pharmacology, or for those who work with toxicologists or pharmacologists in a regulatory or research setting, or for the layperson interested in learning more about toxicology.

Learning objectives:

- Understand basic toxicant mechanisms of action
- Compare acute and chronic intoxication scenarios and discuss prevention and management
- Gain insight into the significance and the use of main toxicological parameters
- Evaluate critically and discuss current events relevant to the field of toxicology
- Integrate knowledge acquired in an in-depth case study and presentation of a human drug overdose/toxicity

Prerequisites: undergraduate biology and chemistry.

4 credits

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WORKSHOPS

BIOC 035

Immunofluorescence and Confocal Microscopy (4 days)

This course will focus on two important methods that are used extensively in biomedical research. Fluorescence microscopy is a useful tool for observing cellular morphology and function that is readily available and relatively simple to learn. Confocal microscopy has emerged as a powerful and popular extension of fluorescence microscopy, allowing 3-dimensional localization and dynamics of cellular components. The course is designed as a boot camp for those cell biologists who are just entering the world of confocal microscopy, wishing to utilize the technology to its fullest potential. Several related advanced topics are introduced to give participants an overview of future possibilities.

BIOC 053

Super Resolution Microscopy (4 days)

Super Resolution Microscopy represents a group of recently developed light microscopic techniques that are able to exceed diffraction-limited resolution (less than 200nm). This course will focus on three types of Super Resolution Microscopy: Structured Illumination Microscopy (SIM); Stochastic Optical Reconstruction Microscopy (STORM); and, Stimulated Emission Depletion (STED). In addition, students will be exposed to cutting-edge super resolution microscopes developed at HHMI Janelia Research Center through the AIC (Advanced Imaging Center). The AIC will showcase several instruments, including iPALM, lattice light sheet and live-cell TIRF-SIM. The course is designed for cell biologists with prior experience in light microscopy who wish to add super resolution microscopy to their research portfolio. Participants will acquire both a theoretical understanding of super resolution microscopy and practical experience using state-of-the-art super resolution microscopes.

BIOC 062

Image Processing and Analysis (2 days)

Bioimaging studies are rapidly becoming more quantitative due to enhanced imaging technologies, improved analytical and computational tools, as well as increasingly more stringent scientific scrutiny for accuracy and reproducibility. However, there is a paucity of systematic and introductory surveys easily accessible to biologists when faced with a plethora of technical issues in digital image processing and analyses. The lack of clarity on this issue, compounded by debate over the methods abundant in the niche literature, frequently leads to further confusion for those whose primary expertise is not in digital image processing. Unfortunately, erroneous or misguided application of methods in biological imaging analyses is not uncommon, and this can lead to artificial inflation or suppression of biological significance, often unintentionally. The goal of this hands-on workshop is to survey the fundamentals of how image pixel data can be used to extract biologically meaningful information. Participants will install FIJI on their own laptops and will be given ample opportunity to work on actual images for a hands-on learning experience.

BIOC 099

Principles and Methods in Electrophysiology (3 days)

This three-day lecture and hands-on laboratory workshop will cover various applications of electrophysiology in basic science and application-driven research. Selected lecture topics will provide a broad background of electrophysiology, from equipment to analysis techniques, technical protocols for electrophysiology procedures and troubleshooting during surgery, data acquisition, experimental integration and online/offline analysis. During this intensive workshop, participants will get the opportunity to discuss the basics of electrophysiology and advanced troubleshooting techniques with subject matter experts from both academia and industry.

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Advanced Studies in Bioinformatics and Data Science

WHAT IS BIOINFORMATICS?

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ADVANCED STUDIES IN BIOINFORMATICS AND DATA SCIENCE

The FAES Academic Programs at NIH offers a unique Advanced Studies in Bioinformatics and Data Science to serve the quickly evolving needs of today's biomedical research community. As one of the most dynamic fields intersecting biology and computer science, bioinformatics and its data analysis tools equip life sciences researchers and professionals with highly in-demand skills in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries.

The Advanced Studies in Bioinformatics and Data Science will provide students with the theoretical foundations and practical skills to harvest the wealth of information contained in the vast amount of biological phenomena. The courses have been designed to train today's biomedical researchers in new methods and techniques in data science and to prepare them to translate and analyze the immensity



of biological data generated by advances made through recent applications of genomic research. NIH researchers and others will be also able to use these techniques to new applications relevant to basic biology and other data science research projects.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The program is designed for students who hold an advanced degree in life sciences or STEM fields.

The Advanced Studies comprises a 14-credit curriculum. Courses are held in the evenings to fit the needs of working professionals and postgraduate Fellows.

REQUIRED COURSES

- BIOF 309 Introduction to Python
- BIOF 518 Theoretical and Applied Bioinformatics
- BIOF 521 Bioinformatics for Analysis of Next Generation Sequencing

ELECTIVES

BIOF 339	Practical R
BIOF 395	Introduction to Text Mining
BIOF 450	Bioinformatics, Evolutionary Genomics, and Computational Biology
BIOF 475	Introduction to New Technologies in Data Science
BIOF 501	Introduction to R: Step-by-Step Guide
BIOF 509	Applied Machine Learning
STAT 500 I	Statistics for Biomedical Scientists I
STAT 500 II	Statistics for Biomedical Scientists II

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion, students will be able to:

- Learn to use effectively different techniques to analyze biological data from high throughput approaches
- Perform statistical analysis and visualization of biological data
- Apply bioinformatics techniques for analysis of genomic, expression, and proteomic data
- Understand the uses and limitations of bioinformatics data analysis tools and technologies
- Learn how computational methods are used in new applications in basic biology, and also how they are translated into the development of new drugs and diagnostic tools

COURSES OFFERED BY OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE ELECTIVE COURSES FOR ADVANCED STUDIES IN BIOINFORMATICS AND DATA SCIENCE

STAT 500 I	Statistics for Biomedical Scientists I
STAT 500 II	Statistics for Biomedical Scientists II

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BIOF 339	Practical R
BIOF 395	Introduction to Text Mining
BIOF 399	Deep Learning for Healthcare Image Analysis
BIOF 439	Data Visualization with R
BIOF 450	Bioinformatics, Computational Biology, and Evolutionary Genomics
BIOF 475	Introduction to New Technologies in Data Science
BIOF 501	Introduction to R: Step-by-Step Guide
BIOF 509	Applied Machine Learning
BIOF 518	Theoretical and Applied Bioinformatics
BIOF 521	Bioinformatics for Analysis of Data Generated by Next Generation Sequencing
MATH 127	Elementary Calculus I
MATH 128	Elementary Calculus II
MATH 215	Introduction to Linear Algebra With Applications in Statistics
WORKSHOPS	
BIOF 025	Proteomics: Principles, Methods, and Application to Biomarker Discovery
BIOF 045	Bioinformatic Analysis of Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) Data
BIOF 066	Computational Drug Design and Discovery
BIOF 073	Cloud Computing for Biomedical Researchers
BIOF 074	Advanced Transcriptomics (RNA-Seq) Analysis
BIOF 075	Metagenomics Data Analysis
BIOF 076	Creating Plots, Graphs, and Maps Using R
BIOF 077	Molecular Modeling and Molecular Dynamics
BIOF 078	Data Integration, Analysis, and Visualization
BIOF 079	Variant Analysis
BIOF 082	Bioinformatics for Beginners
BIOF 084	Tools for Dose-Response Analysis Using R
BIOF 087	Programming for Biomedical Researchers
BIOF 089	Microbiome Bioinformatics with QIIME2
BIOF 090	Introduction to MATLAB Fundamentals for Biomedical Scientists
BIOF 091	Introduction to Image Processing with MATLAB
BIOF 096	Rosetta for Molecular Modeling and Design
BIOF 098	Statistical Analysis using R

CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

BIOF 309

Introduction to Python

Python is a free, open-source and powerful programming language that is easy to learn. This course is intended for nonprogrammers who want to learn how to write programs that expand the breadth and depth of their daily research. Most elementary concepts in modern software engineering will be covered, including basic syntax, reading from and writing texts files, debugging python programs, regular expressions, and creating reusable code modules that are distributable to peers. The course will also focus on potential applications of Python to bioinformatics, including sequence analysis, data visualization and data analysis. Students will also learn to use the Jupyter Notebook and the PyCharm integrated development environment (IDE), which are available at no cost.

Learning objectives:

- Gain basic understanding of elementary concepts ubiquitous in modern software engineering: regular expressions; reading from and writing to text files; and, recursion
- Apply Python to important functions in bioinformatics such as sequence analysis, data analysis and data visualization
- Learn how to obtain and rework an existing script to meet current needs
- Gain experience in two programming environments (Jupyter Notebook and PyCharm IDE)

INDIVIDUAL LAPTOP IS NEEDED FOR EACH CLASS.

Continuum Analytics Installer Anaconda (V3) will be utilized to install Python and the necessary packages.

BIOF 339

Practical R

The goal of this course is to introduce biomedical research scientists to R as an analysis platform rather than a programming language. Throughout the course, emphasis will be placed on example-driven learning. Topics to be covered include: installation of R and R packages; command line R; R data types; loading data in R; manipulating data; exploring data through visualization; statistical tests; correcting for multiple comparisons; building models; and, generating publication-quality graphics. No prior programming experience is required.

Learning objectives:

- Run R GUI and make use of command line features, including command history and help pages
- Find and make use of the extensive libraries (R add-ons) available for analyzing biological and other forms of data
- Load, manipulate, and combine data to make it amenable to further analyses
- Visualize data with extensive graphics capabilities of R (including ggplot)
- Use appropriate statistical tests on data within R that will conform to standards expected in scientific journals

INDIVIDUAL LAPTOP IS NEEDED FOR EACH CLASS.

BIOF 395

Introduction to Text Mining

Between Electronic Medical Records and Electronic Health Records, PubMed, and collections of biomedical grant applications, there exist large quantities of medical information stored in databases waiting to be explored. Besides tables of numbers, medical records also contain a great amount of free-text paragraphs that are comprehensible to human readers but challenging to computers. Text mining is an interdisciplinary area that primarily combines advances in Natural Language Processing (NLP), Information Retrieval (IR), and Machine Learning (ML) to help the computers understand human written language and thus extract medical and clinical information from free-text records. This class aims to introduce fundamental subjects in text mining such as tokenization, named entity recognition (NER), grammars, parsing, relation extraction, and document classification. The class is oriented towards hands-on experience with Python and Natural Language Toolkit (NLTK).

Learning objectives:

- Learn basic programming in Python
- Master fundamental building blocks of Natural Language Processing
- Acquire hands-on experience with NLTK, a Python toolkit for NLP
- Gain an introduction to statistical models of Machine Learning applied to NLP and IR

Prerequisites: prior exposure to programming and Python is encouraged but not required to attend this class

2 credits

BIOF 399

Deep Learning for Healthcare Image Analysis

In this course, students will learn how to apply Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) to MRI scans to perform a variety of medical tasks and calculations. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to apply CNNs to MRI scans to conduct a variety of medical tasks.

Learning objectives:

- Understand how to use popular image classification neural networks for semantic segmentation
- Use the popular R programming language with deep learning framework MXNet to create a powerful GPU accelerated convolution neural network (CNN) solution for quantitative medical image analysis
- Use deep-learning techniques to predict genomic biomarkers from medical image analysis
- Explore other areas of innovation and research
- Get hands-on guidance to try many different deep-learning frameworks

Prerequisites: previous programming experience is not required, but is recommended.

INDIVIDUAL LAPTOP IS NEEDED FOR EACH CLASS (Mac, Linux or Windows).

BIOF 439

Data Visualization with R

This course will demonstrate and practice the use of R in creating and presenting data visualizations. After a short introduction to R tools, especially the tidyverse packages, the course will cover principles for data visualization, examples of good and bad visualizations, and the use of ggplot2 to create static publication-quality graphs. Students will also have the chance to learn about modern web-based interactive graphics using the htmlwidgets packages as well as dynamic graphics and dashboards that can be created using flexdashboard and Shiny. The course will explore ways in which bioinformatics data can be presented using static and dynamic visualizations. Finally, RMarkdown and other packages will be used to develop webpages for presenting data visualizations as self-explanatory and possibly interactive storyboards.

Learning objectives:

- Understand principles of good data visualization to avoid poor or inappropriate data visualization
- Gain knowledge of appropriate use of color, symbols, and small multiples
- Learn about static and dynamic data visualizations, using the web as a presentation medium

Prerequisites: none, however, BIOF 339 Practical R or equivalent introductory course to R would be useful.

BIOF 450

Bioinformatics, Computational Biology, and Evolutionary Genomics

Enormously large series of complex and chaotic events have shaped the genomes of eukaryotes, prokaryotes, and viruses. This course will address cutting-edge approaches to the computational investigation of these events, with an eye toward developments in translational systems biology. The course will begin by presenting the fundamentals of evolutionary genomics, including basic properties of genomes and comparative genomics, population genetics, and sequence-structurefunction relationships. Experimental design and biological project integration will be a major theme of the course.

Specific lectures on statistical analysis, similarity searches, Next Generation Sequencing, epigenomics, and other specialized topics will supplement those given in the earlier part of the course.

Learning objectives:

- Perform statistical analysis and display data
- Learn applications of evolutionary genomics, including cancer genomics, evolution of immune systems, and analysis of brain developmental problems
- Apply the skills acquired to complete a computational biology project

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BIOF 475

Introduction to New Technologies in Data Science

What is Data Science, and how can one use Big Data technologies to unlock value in massive data stores? How can one explore scientific data to gain new insights or make better data-management decisions? The objective of this course is to provide an overview of the history of Data Science platforms and its current landscape in order to enable students to implement their own Data Science solution, while also providing hands-on experience with these tools. The course will cover the basics of some tools that students can subsequently use to work with Data Science, such as Hadoop's MapReduce, Apache Spark, Pig, Hive, Python, and R. In addition, the course will cover advanced data structures as well as real-world data scraping, cleansing, and wrangling. The course will also include a high-level overview of machine-learning concepts.

Learning objectives:

Technical Side:

- Gain basic understanding of elementary concepts common in Data Science analytics, such as distributed file system, NoSQL databases, job scheduling, and more
- Gain experience with integrating Data Science components into a Data Science platform, loading data, querying, and extracting value
- Gain hands-on experience connecting to and modifying installations and scripts
- Be able to rework an existing script to meet the students' needs

Data Side:

- Learn predictive modeling: find correlations; supervised segmentation; visualization segmentation; probability estimation
- Fit a model to data and avoid overfitting: choose goals for data; loss functions; cross validation; tree pruning; regularization
- Find natural clusters and neighbors-nearest neighbor, clustering methods, distance similarity
- Pivot from thinking about data to solving a problem
- Complete a short research project using Data Science techniques and technologies

Prerequisites: Previous programming experience is not required, but is recommended.

INDIVIDUAL LAPTOP IS NEEDED FOR EACH CLASS (Mac, Linux or Windows).

BIOF 501

Introduction to R: Step-by-Step Guide

R is a free statistics software that is becoming increasingly popular and important for data analysis in biology. During the course, students will first learn how to handle the R programming environment. Next, students will learn how to simulate data for analysis, while the background for R programming will be provided in accompanying lectures. At the end of the course, students will become familiar with simple R programming, which they will be then able to apply for their own data analysis.

Learning objectives:

- Introduce R programming environments for scientific analysis
- Understand the concepts of basic data structures, such as Vectors, Matrices, Arrays, List, and Data Frames
- Introduce data handling and visualization in R
- Understand the concepts of Packages and simple R programming

BIOF 509

Applied Machine Learning

Machine learning is a computational field that consists of techniques allowing computers to learn from data and make data-driven predictions or decisions. The ability to implement machine learning approaches appropriately and intelligently is a crucial component of data analysis. BIOF 509 provides a broad practical introduction to machine learning concepts, analysis design, and implementation.

The course will give a broad and conceptual overview of the most popular machine learning algorithms, followed by examples of how and when to apply them to real data. Best practices in designing machine learning analyses will be emphasized and reviewed, along with how to avoid common pitfalls and how to interpret analysis results. Through homework and in-class assignments, students will implement machine -earning models in Python, utilizing state-of-the-art machine learning Python packages, such as scikit-learn and tensorflow. Algorithms that will be covered include, but are not limited to linear and logistic regression, random forest, K-means clustering, and deep learning.

Note that the course emphasizes hands-on application of algorithms, and mathematical derivation will not be reviewed. Further, depending on the students' familiarity with Python, completing the weekly homework assignments can take one

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to four hours. The course will culminate in a short research project utilizing machine learning to analyze either the student's own dataset or a public dataset that the student chooses.

Learning objectives:

- Choose appropriate machine learning techniques for data analyses and interpret their results
- Design properly machine learning analysis pipelines and avoid common pitfalls
- Complete a short research project using machine learning

Prerequisites: Students should have previously completed BIOF 309 Introduction to Python or have equivalent experience. While the course will include a brief Python refresher, the emphasis of the course will be on applying machine learning.

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Theoretical and Applied Bioinformatics

The objective of this course is to give students an introduction into the theory and practice of a wide range of bioinformatic techniques and applications, enabling them to use these tools in their own research. This course will be divided into five modules: statistical approaches in sequence analysis; phylogenetic analysis of nucleotide and protein sequences; acquisition and analysis of sequence datasets, including EST and RNA-seq data; analysis of genomic datasets from an evolutionary perspective; and, prediction of protein secondary structure. Two or three of the five sessions in each module will be divided roughly 60 percent theoretical lecture and 40 percent learning to use relevant computational tools. The final session of each module will be split between a discussion of computational tools, a journal club, and a discussion of work on a project assigned for each module. By the end of the course, students should be able to acquire many types of sequence data, identify orthologous and paralogous genes, predict domains and motifs, identify alternative splicing, analyze genomic/protein alignments, and make a prediction of secondary protein structure from primary sequence.

Learning objectives:

BIOF 518

- Introduce the theory and practice of a wide range of bioinformatic techniques and applications, enabling students to use these tools in their own research
- Search database searches using BLAST and hidden Markov models
- Predict gene structure and analyze domains and motifs
- Conduct phylogenetic analysis of nucleotide and protein sequences and identify orthologous and paralogous genes
- Analyze genomic and protein alignments, prediction of secondary protein structure from primary sequence

Prerequisites: solid understanding of biology, computer science or mathematics or BIOF 429.

BIOF 521

Bioinformatics for Analysis of Data Generated by Next Generation Sequencing

In this course, students will learn to analyze Next Generation Sequencing data particularly for DNA-seq, RNA-seq, CHIPseq, and DNA-methylation. The course will be divided between lectures and hands-on sessions. Lectures will cover background knowledge and a survey of various software programs. For hands-on sessions, the course will primarily focus on the use of the Galaxy platform for analysis of raw data obtained from an Illumina's HiSeq-2000 and data available in the NCBI-SRA. Use of distributed and abstracted computing, such as Biowulf and cloud computing, will be also covered. There will be a term project in which students will design projects relevant to their research.

Learning objectives:

- Learn to analyze Next Generation Sequencing data, including DNA-seq, RNA-seq, and CHIP-seq in Graphical User Interface, using Galaxy or in command line
- Write short scripts to do this analysis using command line resources

INDIVIDUAL LAPTOP IS NEEDED FOR EACH CLASS.

MATH 127

Elementary Calculus I

This course is an introduction to calculus and is aimed at students who have not taken calculus in their previous education. The course will begin with a review of pre-calculus topics, including functions and algebra, which are then used as the groundwork for exploring the core topics of limits, continuity, differentiation, and integration. Where possible, problems considered in class will be of a biological nature, and problem sets will be available to promote understanding.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the concept of functions, their limits, and continuity
- Become reasonably familiar with differentiation and integration of functions

Prerequisites: knowledge of trigonometry, basic algebra, and graphing are required.

MATH 128

Elementary Calculus II

This is a continuation of MATH 127. Topics will include application of differentiation and integration to life sciences, differential equations, functions of many variables, partial derivatives, constrained and unconstrained optimization.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the concept of differential equations and multivariate functions
- Learn how to solve differential equations

Prerequisites: MATH 127 or equivalent course.

MATH 215

Introduction to Linear Algebra With Applications in Statistics

Introduction to linear algebra and statistics, including systems of linear equations, matrix algebra, linear independence, vector spaces and subspaces, bases and dimension, determinants, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, diagonalization, multiple linear regression, singular value decomposition, principle components analysis. This course provides a comprehensive introduction to linear algebra with the intention of developing intuition into contemporary statistical modeling techniques. Most commonly used statistical tests are either implicitly or explicitly related to some underlying linear model. For example, two-sample t-tests correspond to simple linear regression, while ANOVA and ANCOVA correspond to multiple regression and mixed effects models, respectively. In addition, many non-modelbased data exploration techniques, such as principle components analysis, are based on concepts in linear algebra.

This course provides the mathematical foundations linking together all of these techniques. In addition, it will have a lab component using Python and R.

Learning objectives:

- Analyze and solve systems of linear equations
- Become proficient in matrix manipulation and arithmetic
- Learn the concept of vector spaces, subspaces, and linear dependence
- Learn spectral methods for analyzing matrices
- Understand statistical methods based on linear models and their analyses

Prerequisite: one semester of differential calculus.

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BIOF 025

Proteomics: Principles, Methods, and Application to Biomarker Discovery (5 days)

Proteomics is the large-scale study of a specific complement of proteins, including information on the protein abundances, variations and modifications, interacting partners and functional networks. Because of the vast options and combinations of modifications and alternative splicing, the proteome is comparatively larger than the genome. This workshop provides an introduction to technologies used to perform proteomics experiments, with particular emphasis on their application to biomarker discovery. Principles and advanced methodologies will be discussed, with an emphasis on protein-identification tools, methods for sample preparation, and bioinformatics technologies. Additionally, participants will be exposed to the unique analytical platforms and challenges particular to biomarker discovery projects.

BIOF 045

Bioinformatic Analysis of Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) Data (4 days)

This course will introduce participants to bioinformatics tools and methods for analyzing next generation sequencing data, particularly for DNA-seq (Variant analysis), RNA-seq (Transcriptome analysis), ChIP-seq (Transcriptional factor binding analysis), and Network based integration of NGS data. The course will include interactive lectures and hand-on sessions. Lectures will cover background knowledge and survey various software programs. Hands-on training sessions using popular command line and web based tools will be used to perform primary and secondary NGS data analysis. A fully loaded, custom Unix machine in the Cloud will be used for the training. Participants will be provided with a free copy of this machine image, containing all the popular NGS tools used in the workshop, along with all the example input and output data.

BIOF 066

Computational Drug Design and Discovery (4 days)

Computational drug design and discovery has been a challenging task due to limitations in available computing resources. Public cloud computing facilities have dramatically changed this scenario, by bringing the most powerful computing systems within a click away, with unprecedented low-cost options. This hands-on training will introduce researchers to the concepts, methods, and tools for structure and ligand-based computational drug designing and discovery using the open source tools and the cloud computing facilities.

This course is designed for researchers, clinicians, and academics interested in learning the tools to computationally design, screen and validate drugs or program administrators who are interested in getting a first-hand experience with the concepts and methods used for open source structure and ligand based drug designing.

BIOF 073

Cloud Computing for Biomedical Researchers (3 days)

Cloud offers computers with hundreds of cores and terabytes of memory, on an hourly basis, for a couple of dollars and on demand, to all users. This democratizes high-performance computing. Participants will create personal cloud-computing accounts and instances, set security, configure storage, create snapshots, create clusters, images, access instances and perform routine tasks.

The course is designed for researchers, academics, clinicians and students who are looking to avail themselves of the latest software even in the absence of a personal Windows or Linux machine, or for users who are facing issues with hardware limitations,



such as not having access to a powerful machine to handle their large data or a computer-intensive task, or for researchers, academics, clinicians, and students who would like to perform computations on an on-demand hourly basis cheaply and by using any popular operating system, or for program administrators interested in learning the standard tools, techniques, and concepts in cloud computing.

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BIOF 074

Advanced Transcriptomics (RNA-Seq) Analysis (4 days)

Apart from performing the routine differential expression analysis using two different suites of tools, this hands-on training will help participants learn advanced RNA-Seq analysis techniques and tools for detecting snps, fusion genes, allele specific expressions, circular RNAs, viral/bacterial sequence identification, alternative polyadenylation and transcriptional regulatory network analysis.

BIOF 075

Metagenomics Data Analysis (4 days)

Metagenomics is gaining importance due to low-cost next generation sequencing technologies. This training will introduce participants to end-to-end solutions for analyzing metagenomic data, starting from data-quality analysis, alignment, community profiling, taxonomic comparison, and novel taxa discovery. Participants will work with a graphical user interface-based Linux desktop environment in the Amazon Cloud, specially configured to run popular open-source metagenomics analysis tools. Participants will be able to save and take home a copy of the fully configured Amazon Machine Image for their personal use after the training. Participants will also receive a manual for all the hands-on exercises. After training, support will be also provided through exclusive members-only forum.

This course is designed for researchers and academics who are aspiring to learn the popular tools and techniques to analyze metagenomic/microbiome data, or for clinicians who are interested in discovering metagenomics-based biomarkers for diagnostic and therapeutic uses, or for biomedical students who are interested in pursuing research on metagenomics, or for scientists in program administration interested in learning the standard tools for metagenomic analysis.

BIOF 076

Creating Plots, Graphs, and Maps Using R (3 days)

R is the industry standard for creating scientific graphs and plots. There are several different R packages available for creating impressive plots, graphs, and maps, including plotly, ggplot2, ggvis, diagrammer—for diagrams, dygraphs—for time series data, leaflet—for plotting maps, graphviz—for graphs. This training will walk participants through creating interactive, static, and shareable plots using popular R packages. Participants will get a brief hands-on introduction to the R platform, followed by hands-on walkthrough for creating several different popular plots, graphs, and maps, such as scatter plots, density plots, correlation plots, pca plots, surface plots, dot plots, star plots, circular plots, trees, heatmaps, panel graphs, 3D graphs, and network graphs. The course will start with formatting data and will cover loading data, setting parameters, creating the images, and saving outputs.

Highlights: Participants will work with RStudio. A copy of all the scripts used in the class to create plots, graphs, and maps would be provided to participants at the end of the training. Participants will also receive a manual for all the hands-on exercises. After training, support will be also provided through exclusive members-only forum.

This course is designed for researchers and academics who are aspiring to learn to create scientific plots, graphs, and maps using R, or for clinicians and biomedical students interested in learning the ways and means to visualize their data using R, or for scientists in program administration interested in learning the standard tools and techniques used for R-based data visualization.


Molecular Modeling and Molecular Dynamics (4 days)

Predicting the effect of a mutation on the structure and function of a protein is not just for researchers with supercomputer facilities. Thanks to public cloud-computing options, users with basic molecular biology background can set up and run intensive computational modeling and dynamics experiments. Participants will use popular open-source tools and techniques to conduct successfully molecular modeling and dynamics experiments in the cloud.

This course is designed for researchers and academics interested in learning tools to explore, visualize, and understand biomolecular structures and their functions in three dimensions, or for clinicians, researchers, and academics interested in understanding/predicting the effect of mutations or drug molecules on the structure and function of a biological molecule, using three-dimensional structural modeling and molecular dynamics, or for program administrators who are interested in getting first-hand experience with cutting-edge, structure-based modeling/dynamics methods and tools.

BIOF 078

Data Integration, Analysis, and Visualization (4 days)

Data integration is an enormous challenge in biomedical research, especially in the era of NGS data, BigData, "omics," precision medicine, etc. Network-based approach is one of the interesting and efficient ways to integrate data. This hands-on training will introduce participants to network concepts, data preparation and integration methods, data analysis, exploration and visualization using Cytoscape and other open-source tools. The training also includes a one-day Bring-Your-Own-Data (BYOD) clinic.

This course is designed for researchers and academics interested in learning network-based data integration, analysis, exploration, and visualization tools and techniques, or for clinicians interested in exploring a network medicine approach to identify novel markers and therapeutic targets, or for program administrators who are interested in getting first-hand experience with network-based methods and tools for data integration, exploration, and visualization, or for users who have their own data that they would like to analyze, explore, and visualize in the context of networks.

BIOF 079

Variant Analysis (4 days)

Next Generation Sequencing technologies have made genotyping a day-to-day research and diagnostic tool. Genotyping has come all the way from bench to bedside. Genetic variants are being used in personalized medicine to identify susceptibility genes, common disease variants, and mutations relevant for diagnosis and therapy. Participants will use popular open-source tools and techniques necessary for analyzing variants starting from raw data-quality control. Apart from regular analysis, such as alignment, variant calling, and annotation, this training will walk participants through several advanced variant analysis methods and techniques.

This course is designed for researchers and academics interested in learning the tools and methods to identify and study variants using techniques, such as DNA-Seq and other methods, or for clinicians, researchers, and academics interested in understanding/predicting the effect of mutations on the structure and function of a biological molecule for diagnostic and treatment potentials, or for program administrators who are interested in getting first-hand experience working with tools and techniques to understand variant analysis.

BIOF 082

Bioinformatics for Beginners (4 Days)

Bioinformatics (computational biology) is a must skill required in every modern biomedical research lab. Installing and configuring a wide variety of computational biology tools is a cumbersome task that requires software engineering skills. This hands-on training course will introduce participants to a custom, all-in-one fully loaded Linux desktop, with Windows-like graphical user interface, machine, that comes with hundreds of popular computational biology (bioinformatics) tools required in a successful modern biomedical research lab.

Participants will be provided with end-to-end hands-on training, along with an introduction to basic concepts, in using popular tools and techniques for sequence analysis, structure analysis, function prediction, biological database searching, "omics" data analysis, pathway analysis, data visualization, data curation and integration, Linux, R, Perl, and scripting basics.

This course is designed for researchers, clinicians, and academics who are interested in learning bioinformatics tools and techniques, or for researchers interested in setting up an all-in-one bioinformatics open-source solution in their lab/ group, or for biomedical students who are interested in learning and understanding basic concepts, tools, and methods in bioinformatics, or scientists in program administration interested in learning about the standard tools and techniques used in computational biology.

Pharmacometric Dose-Response Analyses in Clinical Trials using R (4 days)

In order for a drug to get approved by the FDA for market in the USA, the sponsor must ultimately demonstrate the drug has: 1) a predictable exposure profile with dose; 2) a good safety profile; and 3) is effective at safe doses. Therefore, the pharmacology of a drug is essentially being reviewed by the FDA. The ability of scientists to analyze drug exposure/ response relationships is crucial to understanding what exposure amount will elicit the safest, most effective response, and ultimately what dose amount and frequency will produce the optimal exposure amount. Additionally, the ability to identify sub-populations that may produce differing exposure or response levels is key to providing as many subjects

as possible a safe and effective dose. This quantitative exposure/ response analyses, often referred to pharmacometrics, is key to making go/no go decisions both during clinical trials by investigators and by the FDA during the subsequent review period. Participants will learn basic pharmacology theory with introductory statistics using a popular open-source software program (R Studio) that is capable of conducting pharmacokinetic (PK) exposure and pharmacodynamic (PD) response analyses from example clinical trial data. Ultimately, the framework of analyzing exposure/response relationships will be demonstrated in order to make go/no go decisions.

This course is designed for researchers and clinicians interested in learning how to utilize freely



available software to explore, visualize, and understand drug exposure/response relationships where responses include any clinical endpoint collected on a trial, or for researchers and clinicians interested in understanding and predicting the effect of different doses on drug exposure as well as the effect of exposure on a variety of clinically relevant response endpoints (biomarkers), or for medical, pharmacy, dental, nursing, and lab-based graduate-school students interesting in obtaining a deeper understanding of pharmacokinetics, exposure/response analyses, as well as a broad understanding of clinical drug development and the impact of pharmacometrics on decisions.

BIOF 087

Programming for Biomedical Researchers (3 Days)

Computer programs are meant to perform repeated, monotonous, fast and reproducible tasks, while at the same time handling any amount of data. Researchers often come across situations where existing programs do not suit their needs. In the era of BigData, researchers face a road block if they lack the ability to quickly put together a program that would solve their problem. This training will walk participants through writing programs that would help them solve scientific problems. During the course, participants will get a brief introduction to the programming concepts, followed by hands-on walkthrough in writing scripts using the Unix Shell, R, Perl, and Python. The course will cover reading the data through processing and saving the processed data.

This course is designed for researchers, clinicians, students, and academics who are aspiring to learn to write their own scripts and programs, or for scientists in program administration interested in learning the standard tools and techniques for biomedical programming.

Microbiome Bioinformatics with QIIME2 (2 days)

Members of the QIIME development group will lead this hands-on workshop on bioinformatics tools for microbial ecology. The workshop will include lectures covering basic QIIME usage and theory, and hands-on work with QIIME, to perform microbiome analysis from raw sequence data through publication-quality statistics and visualizations. The workshop will also cover related bioinformatics tools including DADA2, Emperor, scikit-bio, and an introduction to applied bioinformatics. This workshop will provide the foundation on which participants can begin using these tools to advance their own studies of microbiome analysis or microbial ecology.

This is a hands-on workshop. Participants must bring their laptop. This workshop will be on QIIME2 platform only.

BIOF 090

Introduction to MATLAB Fundamentals for Biomedical Scientists (2 days)

MATLAB provides both a point and click environment for data exploration and hypothesis generation, in addition to being an intuitive programming language for custom application development. In two days, participants will go from zero to learning how to develop their own custom workflows for biomedical research. The workshop uses a hands-on project-based learning approach. Participants will learn to use MATLAB's capabilities in the context of building real-world workflows with each of these biomedical data types, which they will then be able to take and apply immediately to their work. Participants will use and gain familiarity with MATLAB's point and click interfaces to explore and understand the breadth of biomedical data types MATLAB can manage, including tables, arrays, signals, images, videos, and biological sequences.

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Introduction to Image Processing with MATLAB (2 days)

MATLAB provides a wide array of options to image-processing methods, including image preprocessing, registration, filtering and noise removal, segmentation, morphological operations, edge detection, logical operations. In this hands-on MATLAB workshop, participants will go from zero to learning how to develop their own custom workflows for 2D and 3D image processing. The workshop focuses on developing and obtaining examples that participants can apply immediately or adapt to their research, specifically for 2D image segmentation, object tracking, automating image processing workflows, 3D image processing, and working with or generating videos.

BIOF 096

Rosetta for Molecular Modeling and Design (2 days)

Rosetta is a set of tools used for protein structure prediction and designing. Rosetta is capable of predicting structures either with or without prior knowledge. Apart from large and small molecular docking, Rosetta is also popular for designing novel proteins and peptides. With the availability of public cloud infrastructure, use of Rosetta's powerful features is within the reach of anyone who is interested in molecular modeling and design. In this two-day workshop, participants will get a brief introduction to basic Linux commands, a short presentation on the capabilities of Rosetta, followed by hands-on walkthrough for predicting protein structures, docking and protein designing.

BIOF 098

Statistical Analysis Using R (3 days)

Data is everywhere. Every biologist has some kind of data. Data can be modelled, managed, transformed, analyzed, mined, explored and visualized using several different methods and tools. But, statistical methods is the most popular way to analyze data. And, R is the popular platform to perform statistical analysis. This hands-on three-day training will help participants to learn to perform basic statistical analysis using the R platform. First, participants will learn to use the R and RStudio software platforms. Then, with a short introduction to basic statistical concepts, participants will do hands-on exercises to perform basic statistical analysis using the R platform.

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BIOL 039	Epigenetics
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BIOL 055	Engineering With CRISPR, TALENs, and ZFNs
BIOL 092	RNA Library Prep for Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)
BIOL 100	Single Cell RNA Library Prep for Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

BIOL 101

ONLINE Foundations in Biomedical Science I

This course examines the fundamental concepts underlying biomedical science, including the structure and function of biomolecules, such as proteins, enzymes, carbohydrates, lipids, and DNA, as well as the structure and function of cellular components, such as membranes, vesicles, organelles, and the cytoskeleton.

This course is designed for students who may have previously studied biology but need a refresher on the main concepts in biomedical science as well as students without a science background who wish to gain a foundation in basic biological mechanisms.

Learning objectives:

- Describe the characteristics of the major cellular macromolecules
- Explain the structure and function of major cellular components
- Build and hone critical thinking skills

BIOL 102

ONLINE Foundations in Biomedical Science II

This course continues the exploration of the fundamental concepts underlying biomedical science, including DNA replication, transcription, translation, signal transduction mechanisms, apoptosis, the cell cycle, and cancer.

This course is designed for students who may have previously studied biology but need a refresher on the main concepts in biomedical science as well as students without a science background who wish to gain a foundation in basic biological mechanisms and is a continuation of BIOL101 Foundations in Biomedical Science I.

Learning objectives:

- Trace the flow of genetic information at the intracellular level, from DNA to protein
- Summarize the cell cycle and will analyze examples of cell cycle dysfunction
- Build and hone critical-thinking skills

Prerequisites: BIOL101 Foundations in Biomedical Science I or permission of the instructor.

BIOL 222

ONLINE HYBRID Genomics in Modern Society

The human genome is the DNA book of life, containing information to create networks of proteins that construct a human being. The course discusses how the genome was read, how variants in DNA information are detected, and how this information changes views of disease, medical treatments, and our image of ourselves as a species. Through an historical perspective, students will discover the role of DNA, RNA, and proteins as the molecules of life and explore some of the most current applications of molecular biology and biochemistry to biomedical research, forensic analyses, and molecular anthropology. Students will be provided with the basic scientific foundations necessary to understand the vast impact of biotechnology on modern society.

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2 credits

2 credits

The class format will combine lectures with case-studies discussions, presentations, and screenings of media. Students are required to actively search media and scientific sources to find recent breaking news pertinent to the field. Each week will feature a critical discussion based on a specific topic.

Learning objectives:

- Place life sciences into a historical perspective and describe current developments
- Describe the role of DNA, RNA, and proteins as the chemical foundations of life
- Summarize and explain some of the key aspects of biotechnology, such as DNA sequencing, cloning and amplification through PCR, the biological production of drugs and the –omics world (genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics)
- Critically examine the application of DNA-based analyses to the study of human evolution (molecular anthropology) and forensic science

BIOL 254

1 credit

Non-Coding RNAs (miRNAs, IncRNAs, and circRNAs) and Exosomes: Biology and Diseases

This course will address the biology, function, and expression of non-coding RNAs, including microRNAs, long noncoding RNA, and circular RNAs. It will address exosomes in the light of these non-coding RNAs. The course will also highlight the involvement of non-coding RNAs and exosomes in human diseases as well as the potential treatment with RNA therapeutics.

The objective of this course is to provide an overview of cutting-edge scientific knowledge to researchers who need to understand this fast-emerging field and who plan to investigate non-coding and exosomes. Classes will cover different aspects of non-coding RNAs and exosomes from the perspectives of molecular biology, their role in diseases and RNA therapeutic implications as well as reference databases for data mining. By the end of the course, students should be able to discuss basic science, the disease biology of non-coding RNAs and exosomes; students should also gain knowledge of technology approaches suitable for their research projects.

Learning objectives:

- Learn the basics and latest scientific findings in the field of non-coding RNAs, such as microRNAs, long noncoding RNA, and circular RNAs, and exosomes
- 1. MicroRNAs biogenesis and functions
- 2. Long non-coding RNAs biology and functions
- 3. Exosomes, microRNAs, and non-coding RNAs
- 4. Non-coding RNAs and Exosomes in Disease Biology
 - » Microbiome
 - » Immune responses
 - » Stem cells

BIOL 262

Research Tools for Studying Diseases

This course is designed to help students gain an appreciation of essential scientific approaches and techniques in studying various human diseases and biological disorders. A variety of techniques are discussed, including molecular, cellular, biochemical, genetic, imaging, computational, and high-throughput screening approaches. Students will learn applications and recent advances for each approach as well as gain a historical perspective on the development of each technique. Emphasis will be placed on the appropriate application of each technique, with a focus on the exploration of the progression and therapeutic effects of treatments to various diseases. The course provides individuals of all backgrounds and levels of experience with the opportunity to become knowledgeable in a wide variety of scientific approaches in biomedical research.

Learning objectives:

- Introduce various approaches to biomedical and translational research
- Provide fundamental knowledge of various scientific techniques essential for conducting research
- Develop critical-thinking and problem-solving abilities and learn about practical applications of research techniques covered in this course
- Learn about various diseases and how research leads to better therapeutic applications

Prerequisites: undergraduate biology and chemistry.

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BIOL 313

Molecular Biology and Recombinant DNA Technology

This course is specifically designed for students who have limited knowledge in molecular biology and biotechnology. The course will develop and equip students with a strong foundation in molecular biology, genomics, and molecular biology and genomics; and, 2) application of biotechnology. It focuses on: 1) fundamental principles of molecular biology and genomics; and, 2) application of recombinant DNA technologies in gene therapy, vaccine development as well as genetically modified agricultural products. Topics covered will include: basic structure and organization of the prokaryotic and eukaryotic genome; mechanisms of DNA replication; gene transcription and protein translation; chromatin structure and function; post-translational regulation; epigenetics; DNA-protein interaction dynamics, and regulation of gene expression by different types of RNA. Faculty will present real-life examples to explain how gene cloning, plasmid construction, site-directed mutagenesis, DNA sequencing, genome editing, gene-expression profiling, are conducted in order to solve biological problems. At the end of this course, students will gain an understanding of how life works at the molecular level and gain knowledge of cutting-edge biotechnological application in research, medicine, and industry.

Learning objectives:

- Gain basic molecular biology knowledge of how genetic material (DNA and RNA) is the key to our survival and function and how this information is transferred over generations
- Understand how changes in this basic information encoded by the genetic material lead to changes in biological characteristics
- Master and use the most advanced tools and experimental techniques to study cell and molecular biology
- Describe how recombinant DNA techniques are used in modern applications in the lab or industry to develop cures for diseases and biotechnological advancements that affect daily life

BIOL 325

Human Neuroscience

This course will use a systems neuroscience approach to understanding the relationship between the structure and function of the human brain. Course material will span the level of cellular neurophysiology of neurons and synaptic signaling to circuits and brain regions involved in sensory processes, motor function, emotion, attention, and learning and memory. Neuroanatomy will be emphasized throughout the course. Deviation from normative structure and function will be considered through clinical case studies and translational research. Although the focus of this course will be the human brain, research from animal models, particularly non-human primates and rodents, will be included in the investigation of neuronal mechanisms.

Learning objectives:

- Identify neuroanatomical landmarks of the human brain in schematic illustrations, magnetic resonance images, and micrographs of sections of post-mortem tissue
- Analyze clinical cases and evaluate which neural regions are likely to be involved in symptoms and injury
- Describe basic neurophysiological properties and be able to explain: how the properties of the neuronal membrane relate to changes in potential and salutatory conduction of action potentials; the evidence for quantal transmission of chemical signals at the synapse; and the effects of various neurotoxins on receptor-binding kinetics or neurotransmission
- Apply knowledge of receptive fields, neuronal 'tuning,' neuronal codes, and topographic maps to compare and contrast the structural and functional properties of the somatosensory, motor, and sensory systems
- Think critically about scientific investigations by participating in an online discussion of scientific papers, giving careful consideration to potential confounds, alternative explanations, significance of findings, and unanswered questions for future inquiry

Prerequisites: prior introductory biology coursework is encouraged; supplemental materials will be available for students who have not had a prior introduction to biophysical properties of cell membranes and cell signaling processes.

BIOL 327

2 credits

Modern Embryonic and Developmental Biology

This course covers the molecular mechanisms that regulate vertebrate embryonic development. Discussions range from conserved evolutionary processes to defects and genetic mutations in human development and disease. Specific topics include: cell-cell interactions; organogenesis; brain, cardiovascular and limb development; stem cell generation, maintenance and migration; cloning and genetic manipulations; epigenetic modification and system biology. Each class will include discussions of current literature, with emphasis on processes and mechanisms of development.

This course will survey the fundamentals as well as recent progress in vertebrate development, including stem cell biology. It will also cover cuttingedge techniques such as advanced genetic manipulations, high-resolution imaging and induced pluripotent stem cells (iPS). The experts will not only give a basic lecture about developmental biology but will also introduce recent leading-edge and important findings is each topic during the lecture. The first half of the class will consist of a lecture, based on a relevant chapter in the latest edition of Scott Gilbert's textbook *Developmental Biology*. The second half of each class will be devoted to a presentation and discussion of important articles underlying vertebrate development.

This course is suitable for students preparing to pursue careers in research, medicine, and/ or health, Fellows studying mouse models with developmental defects, and those wishing to expand their understanding of growth and development of complex organisms. Students will have opportunities to read, evaluate, and discuss critically research articles.

Learning objectives:

- Expand on knowledge of elementary cell biology to include development of complex organisms and genetic origin of human disease
- Acquire understanding of developmental processes and resulting impact of genetic mutations
- Advance scientific communication skills toward critical evaluation of scientific literature

Prerequisites: BIOL 101 or college-level biology.

BIOL 350

Foundations of Cellular Neuroscience

This course explores a wide range of cellular neuroscience, including: membrane biophysics and action potentials; ion channels; synaptic transmission and plasticity; dendritic integration and computation. Lectures also introduce techniques used to record and image activity and signaling in neurons as well as quantitative methods used to analyze experimental data. The course also features in-depth discussions of classic and current literature, with problem sets and exams to enhance and test the understanding of lecture materials.

Learning objectives:

- Develop conceptual and quantitative understanding of basic cellular physiology and biophysics
- Learn about electrophysiological and imaging techniques used in neuroscience experiments
- Gain a historical perspective on the study of ion channels, synapses and neurons

BIOL 356

Connective Tissue Biology

Connective tissues such as bone, cartilage, tendons, ligaments, basement membrane, skin, teeth, fat and blood are crucial for providing structural support and contextual cues that sustain proper function of other tissues and organs in the body. The purpose of this course is to provide students with a framework for understanding these tissues, their cellular and extracellular interactions and their roles in organs commonly studied in biomedical research. The course will review pathologies of connective tissues and discuss how biomaterials interact with tissues for use in regenerative medicine. This course incorporates fundamentals of biochemistry and cell biology to understand the structure, function, pathology, and repair mechanisms of connective tissues.

Learning objectives:

- Master basic structure and function of connective tissues and how they relate to other organs
- Appreciate the role of connective tissues in diseases
- Discuss properties of biomaterials required for regenerative medicine applications

Prerequisites: college-level cell biology and biochemistry.

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3 credits



BIOL 385

The Biology of Aging

The process of aging is fascinating because it is one that we all expect to experience, if we are fortunate. It is natural to wonder if the decline of aging can be avoided. Through research into the biological underpinnings of the aging process, scientists are beginning to understand how aging may be evolutionarily programmed, including the cellular pathways that promote it. In this course, students will discuss these exciting findings.

With an emphasis on primary literature and discussion, students will critically consider factors that affect the aging process. The course will also touch on mechanisms behind diseases associated with aging, such as Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease. Finally, the course will review prospects for the extension of healthy lifespan in humans.

Learning objectives:

- Describe the evolutionary theories that explain aging
- Outline the cellular pathways that influence the aging phenotype
- Understand factors that influence the aging process Gain fluency with reading and interpreting primary literature

Prerequisites: cell biology.

BIOL 425

RNA Interference and CRISPR

RNA interference (RNAi) is the process of inhibition of gene expression by RNA molecules. The mechanism for RNAi in prokaryotes and eukaryotes was evolutionarily developed as defense against pathogen invasion. CRISPR, Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats is a similar defensive mechanism found in certain bacteria. Detailed understanding of their molecular mechanism enabled adaptation of these as tools for down regulating specific gene expression in mammalian cells. This course is designed to provide a deeper understanding of RNA interference and CRISPR and their applications in different fields of biology.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the mechanism of RNA interference and CRISPR
- Learn different types of RNA interferences and study of gene function using RNAi
- Learn challenges in RNAi and CRISPR applications and adaptation to high throughput screens
- Learn computational approaches of high throughput RNAi/CRISPR screen data analysis
- Review of therapeutic applications of RNAi/CRISPR

Prerequisites: basic understanding of molecular biology and cell biology.

BIOL 435

Current Trends in the Neurobiology of Mental Illness

The objective of this graduate-level course is to provide an overview of the biological basis of major neuropsychiatric disorders as well as to explore the emerging methodologies (both basic sciences and clinical) utilized in the study of these brain disorders. A group of leading scientists and clinicians has been recruited to provide lectures in their areas of expertise. Disorders to be covered include: bipolar disorder; major depression; anxiety disorders; schizophrenia; autism; and, substance dependence. Speakers will discuss the evidence supporting current theories related to each disorder, with particular emphasis on the limitations of current diagnostic systems and methodologies, the prospects for the greatest advances, and their individual contributions to the field. Additionally, specific lectures will focus on methodologies that are rapidly having a major impact on neuroscience research as well as advancing our understanding of neural function, disease mechanisms, diagnostic systems, biomarkers, and drug discovery and development. Areas to be discussed will include: positron imaging tomography; magnetic resonance imaging (functional and structural); animal models; biochemical techniques; genetic and epidemiological analysis; and, statistical modeling. Students enrolled in the course will be expected to develop an understanding of the advanced techniques used to study these illnesses and pathways to develop new treatments.

Learning objectives:

- Demonstrate a familiarity with recent and groundbreaking novel research regarding the biological basis of major neuropsychiatric disorders
- Develop a broad knowledge of the scope and impact of mental illness through the synthesis of recent advances in etiology and treatment of pathophysiology
- Identify and describe the methodologies impacting neuroscience research, including positron emission tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, animal models, and genetics
- Discover real-world applications of material into future research, medical or graduate study pursuits
- Complete a final short-answer examination which incorporates material from all topics and guest speakers

Prerequisites: familiarity with college-level neurobiology, biochemistry, and genetics.

BIOL 450

1 credit

Stem Cell Biology

This course covers the new field of inquiry of stem cells, in recognition of the role that stem cells play in the postembryonic phase of life. The course will also examine current understanding of the working of the stem cells in embryogenesis. This course will address, both from the theoretical and practical perspectives, the question of self-renewal, pluripotency, immortal strand synthesis as well as the nature and reasons for differential routes of differentiation into various tissue types. For example, the idea of 'context' will be discussed as will the realization that the microenvironment (the stem cell nitch) plays an important role in fate determination. The class will also discuss the problems around whether induced pluripotent cells—a technical achievement—can be useful for tissue regeneration and therapeutics.

Learning objectives:

- Learn the origin and residence of stem cells in embryos and adult tissues
- Discuss the basis for self-renewal and pluripotency of stem cells, the regulation of stem cells in embryogenesis and their differentiation into adult tissues
- Survey the role of stem cells in human disease, with focus on cancer
- Consider the pros and cons of induced pluripotent stem cells in tissue regeneration and therapeutics
- Discover normal and cancer stem cell niche and fate determination

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GENE 220

Evolutionary Genetics and Genomics: From Charles Darwin to Integrated-Omics

This course teaches key concepts of evolutionary genetics, using a historical framework. Class discussions will use historical examples from the literature, primary and review literature, modern and historical, with each class session focusing on progressively modern material. The course will start with Charles Darwin's theory of evolution: selection, variation, and the historical background of selective breeding and heredity. Subsequent classes will cover population genetics and the modern evolutionary synthesis, chromosomal theory and the central dogma of molecular biology as well as phylogenetics, diversity, and common descent. Molecular genetics will be introduced in the context of bacterial gene regulation and gene regulatory networks. The course will end with a discussion on genomics, post-genomics, and epi-genomics.

Student assignments will include an essay about a specific topic on breeding and heredity, a presentation about traits or diseases associated with cytogenetic abnormalities or the research of a modern synthesis contributor, and a descriptive report about a disease-causing gene and its genomic setting. At the end of the course, students will understand how the paradigms of evolution and genetics have advanced since Darwin and will be able to discuss our modern-omics-oriented understanding of heritable disease and evolution in its historical context.

Learning objectives:

- Explain key paradigms, advancements, and scientists contributing to evolutionary genetics and evolutionary theory, starting with early nineteenth-century scientific thought
- Analyze experimental strategies and key studies of evolutionary genetics, focusing on specific examples of advancements in understanding hereditary disorders and genetic conditions
- Discuss early paradigms of selective breeding and hereditary, the "Modern Synthesis," discoveries of chromosomal inheritance as well as the central dogma of molecular biology
- Discuss basic gene regulation paradigms, developmental genetics and evolutionary-developmental biology, and conceptualization of genetics in the '-omics era'
- Review and report on a specific historical example of evolutionary genetics of own interest or relevance Prerequisites: undergraduate-level genetics.

GENE 500

2 credits

Introduction to Medical Genetics I and II

The objective of this two-semester course is to provide an introduction to clinical and human genetics for Fellows and genetic counseling students who are preparing for subspecialty examinations of the American Board of Medical Genetics and for others who wish to learn about the expanding role of genetics in medicine. The first semester will introduce basic concepts of genetics, cytogenetics, and molecular genetics. The second semester will include presentations on clinical topics emphasizing the diagnosis and management of patients with genetic disorders.

Topics to be covered in the fall semester include Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance, congenital malformations, dysmorphology, teratology, storage disorders and other inborn errors of metabolism, mitosis, meiosis, structural abnormalities and segregation, X chromosome inactivation, new advances in cytogenetic technology including FISH, the molecular organization, regulation and manipulation of genes.

In the spring semester, topics will include genetic polymorphism and disease susceptibility, DNA diagnosis, prenatal and pre-implantation diagnosis, multifactorial inheritance, population genetics, linkage analysis, oncogenes, tumor suppressor genes, the molecular basis of breast and colon cancer and relevant counseling issues, genetic disorders of specific organ systems, newborn screening, gene therapy, the consumer's view of genetic services and ethics and genetic technology. This course should impart basic principles of genetics as applied to medicine and provide an approach to a patient with a suspected genetic disorder.

This course is designed for Fellows and genetic counseling students who are preparing for subspecialty examinations of the American Board of Medical Genetics and others who wish to learn about the expanding role of genetics in medicine.

Learning objectives – Fall:

- Appreciate organization of the human genome and tools used to investigate it
- Acquire skills to determine the most likely mode of inheritance of a trait, to interpret the results of linkage and association studies

Learning objectives - Spring:

- Appreciate the impact genetic disorders have on the various organ systems
- Acquire skills to develop a differential diagnosis and appropriate work-up for a given phenotype

Prerequisites: graduate-level training or experience in the biomedical sciences or consent of the course instructor.

GENE 505

Embryology, Developmental Biology, and Human Malformations

The objective of this course is to familiarize students with modern developmental biology and to use this knowledge to understand common human malformations. The course will begin with lectures on the methodology and model systems of developmental biology, a review of preimplantation development and gastrulation, and embryogenesis/ organogenesis. Subsequent lectures will focus on the development of several organ systems (e.g. central nervous system, cardiovascular, limb, urogenital, gut/respiratory, and craniofacial). These systems will be covered in two lectures each. A closing lecture on developmental pleiotropy will round out the course.

Learning objectives:

- Connect conceptually the apparently distinct disciplines of embryology, developmental biology, and clinical medicine to appreciate mechanisms of normal and abnormal development
- Appreciate the role of evolution for understanding the mechanistic basis of malformations and as a basis for the study of these disorders in animal models
- Develop skills of integrating data from clinical, anatomic and molecular studies to form a comprehensive description . of malformations

Prerequisites: permission of the course instructor.

GENE 510

Genetic Counseling: Professional Topics Seminar

The objective of this course is to address the psychological, clinical, social, and ethical issues in genetic counseling (GC). This class offers a dynamic forum for discussion, focusing on genetics counseling research, policy and education, and their impact on clinical practice. A diverse group of professionals present topics well suited for class discussions. Student-led case presentations and discussions highlight pertinent psychological, social, and ethical issues in genetic counseling. Clients who have had personal experiences with a genetic condition or risk expose students to a variety of attitudes, reactions, and experiences. Students enrolled in related graduate programs are encouraged to enroll to maximize the opportunity for exchange among disciplines. This course presents an opportunity to college graduates interested in genetic counseling to learn about the theoretical and practical aspects of the profession.

This is a required course for graduate students enrolled in the JHU/NHGRI Genetic Counseling Training Program.

Learning objectives:

- Participate in dynamic discussions of provocative issues in the field of GC, with faculty input
- Facilitate appreciation for pursuing GC as a profession both for professional and pertinent issues in clinical work
- Foster ideas and model projects in GC research
- Learn directly from clients about their personal experiences with genetic conditions
- Promote interaction among graduate students to facilitate mentoring, strategizing, and camaraderie

Prerequisites: permission of the instructors.

GENE 514

Current Concepts in Clinical Molecular Genetics and Molecular Diagnostics

The objective of this course is to provide a review of molecular diagnosis of common hereditary or neoplastic disorders for which DNA-based diagnosis is now in routine use. Topics include FGFR3 disorders, fetal blood typing, thrombophilias, hemochromatosis, fragile X syndrome, polyglutamine disorders, hereditary breast cancers, Charcot Marie Tooth and spinal muscular atrophy, PraderWilli and Angelman syndromes, mitochondrial diseases, Duchenne and Becker muscular dystrophy, cystic fibrosis, and Smith-Lemli-Opitz Syndrome. Sessions also include genetic risk prediction, using linkage and Bayesian analysis as well as DNA forensics and paternity testing.

The course is designed as part of the required curriculum for Clinical Genetics residents and Fellows preparing for the Clinical Molecular Genetics Boards given by the American Board of Medical Genetics.

Learning objectives:

Appreciate the types of techniques used in molecular genetic diagnostic laboratories, including the limitations of each assav

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Acquire skills in calculating residual risks after molecular testing

Prerequisites: GENE 500 and permission of the instructor.

Tuition: \$708

1 credit

2 credits



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GENE 518

Medical Genetics and Genomic Medicine: From Diagnosis to Treatment

The objective of this course is to discuss how advances in genetics have impacted genetic disorders, from their diagnosis to treatment, by building upon the foundations learned in GENE 500. Topics include Smith-Lemli-Opitz syndrome, Rasopathies, neurocutaneous syndromes, muscular dystrophies, cohesinopathies, connective tissue disorders, ciliopathies, and psychosocial and genetic counseling issues in the era of genomic medicine.

The course is designed as part of the required curriculum for residents, Fellows, and students preparing for the Genetics Certification Boards given by the American Board of Medical Genetics and the American Board of Genetic Counseling.

Learning objectives:

- Appreciate how advances in genetics have impacted genetic disorders, from their diagnosis to treatment
- Acquire skills to conduct a dysmorphology examination

Prerequisites:

GENE 500 or permission of the instructor.

GENE 644

Review of Medical Genetics Tuition: \$708

The objective of this course is to provide a review for candidates for the American Board of Medical Genetics Subspecialty examinations: clinical genetics; molecular genetics; biochemical genetics; cytogenetics; and, genetic counseling. Topics to be covered include statistical and mathematical subjects in clinical genetics and population genetics, clinical cytogenetics, dysmorphology, ophthalmologic genetics, and general treatment and management of genetic diseases.

Learning objectives:

- Review the fundamentals of genetics and a variety of genetic disorders in preparation for the American Board of Medical Genetics certification examination
- Acquire skills to recognize and eliminate distractors on the certification exam

Prerequisite:

Board candidate for any subspecialty exam of the American Board of Medical Genetics.

2 credits

MEDI 234

Precision Medicine

The Human Genome Project (HGP) revolutionized biomedical research through the discovery and integration of Big Data. Post-HGP endeavors, such as ClinVar and the All of Us Research Program, formerly known as the Precision Medicine Initiative Cohort Program, have been designed to rapidly accelerate our research progress into clinical practice. Prevention and treatment strategies that take individual variability into account are not new concepts. However, precision medicine advances the field by leveraging technological progresses and 'omics' data to improve prediction, diagnosis, prognosis, and treatment for individual patients. This course will explore the possibilities, promises, and pitfalls of precision medicine, using real-world examples, and is intended to bridge the gap between basic biomedical research and its practical clinical applications.

"What is needed now is a broad research program to encourage creative approaches to precision medicine, test them rigorously, and ultimately use them to build the evidence base needed to guide clinical practice." Dr. Francis Collins, 2015.

Learning objectives:

- Assess how The Human Genome Project has advanced technology in biomedical research
- Translate research and technology into the delivery of healthcare and basic science research findings to the benefit
 of the general public
- Discuss implications in privacy and policy laws for precision medicine in the age of the Affordable Care Act and the *All of Us* Research Program
- Present coherent case studies encompassing previous objectives, including caveats in the use of current technologies

MEDI 275

Fundamental Principles of Histology

This course examines the morphology of different cell types and their arrangement within tissues using both light microscopy and electron microscopy images. The course will begin with a detailed overview of the basic tissues: epithelial; connective; muscle; and, nervous tissues. The four basic tissues will then be applied to organ systems, and a discussion of some clinical pathologies will follow. The course will also cover cell functions within the different tissues as well as tissue preparations and types of stains to highlight different characteristics of tissue.

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Learning objectives:

- Define and describe histological characteristics of different cell types
- Identify different tissue types and organization within organs
- Understand functions of cell types within the tissue
- Gain general knowledge of tissue preparation and commonly used staining techniques
- Understand how the different cell types and basic tissues come together to function as a whole organ

Prerequisites: knowledge of biology and/or cell biology.

INDIVIDUAL LAPTOP IS NEEDED FOR EACH CLASS TO REVIEW VIRTUAL SLIDES.

MEDI 303

Physiological Mechanisms of Acupuncture

This course provides an introduction to therapies practiced for thousands of years in China and recently around the world. The Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) has its unique theory and interventions that are based on the understanding of the world and human body with systems approaches. This introductory course is aimed to bridge the gap between traditional Chinese medicine and modern science.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the basic theories of TCM, including acupuncture
- Explore the mechanisms of TCM therapies from the perspective of modern science

Prerequisites: basic medical knowledge.



2 credits

1 credit

MEDI 309

Introduction to Molecular Medicine

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the molecular basis of human diseases and current medical therapies, providing a bridge between medicine and biochemistry. The course is designed to cover fundamental concepts of molecular biology, genetics, and basic biochemical principles and to use these principles to analyze commonly occurring health-related problems. Each lecture will be set in the context of a major disease or a public-health concern, such as obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, cancer, infectious diseases, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, and other neurodegenerative diseases. Presentation, analysis, and group discussions of clinical cases selected to exemplify the subject topic will be integral part of the lectures. An historical perspective of how molecular medical knowledge and recent technological developments that have been instrumental in medical treatments will be also presented.

The course differs significantly from a comprehensive biochemistry or biology course and is aimed at students in the health sciences or prospective medical students.

Learning objectives:

- Identify interactions between metabolic pathways and human diseases
- Describe recent advances in medical applications of biotechnology and genetics
- Discuss health issues in relation to molecular mechanisms of the cell
- Prepare an original presentation about a disease of interest to the class

Prerequisites: college-level knowledge of biology and/or chemistry.

MEDI 311

Principles of Endocrinology

The endocrine system exerts control over the internal environment of the body through physiological detection, signaling, and feedback. It interacts with the systems of the body (digestive, nervous, renal, reproductive, cardiovascular, respiratory, skeletal, and metabolic) to provide a homeostatic environment. It adapts to stress, and it is essential for normal growth and development. The objective of this course is to provide students with an overview of endocrine physiology and pathophysiology. The course will describe how the endocrine system is integrated with the other physiological systems, along with the biochemistry of hormone synthesis and actions. Problem solving with endocrine disorders will form a basis for understanding the principles of hormone function. Students seeking basic knowledge on the principles of endocrinology to apply in their research or clinical training will find this course useful.

Learning objectives:

- Identify and describe the key hormones and their roles in metabolism, digestion, reproduction, and growth
- Understand regulation of hormonal control, including the principles of feedback control and hormone-receptor interactions
- Problem solve the biological basis of endocrine disorders and treatments
- Develop the scientific background needed to understand the literature about endocrine function and pathology

Prerequisites: general biology and chemistry required; prior coursework in introductory biochemistry and human physiology recommended.

MEDI 317

Human Physiology I

In this two-semester sequential course, students will be provided with an in-depth study of the physiology of human body systems. Topics studied in the fall semester are: molecular basis of physiology; the nervous system; and, cardiovascular system. The course sequence is intended as a bridge to advanced studies in pathophysiology and medicine.

Learning objectives:

- Understand structure-function relationships of the systems of the human body
- Identify the structural and functional levels of organization from cellular to organ system levels
- Describe how the body adapts to different everyday situations and environmental stresses
- Explain the principle of homeostasis and feedback-control mechanisms as they relate to body systems
- Develop active learning styles through problem solving in physiology
- Apply knowledge of functional mechanisms and their regulation to explain the pathophysiology underlying common disorders
- Communicate physiologic concepts to a variety of audiences

Prerequisites: general biology; BIOL 101 or equivalent.

MEDI 318

Human Physiology II

In this two-semester sequential course, students will be provided with an in-depth study of the physiology of human body systems. Topics studied in the spring semester are: respiratory; renal; gastrointestinal; endocrine; and, reproductive physiology. The course sequence is intended as a bridge to advanced studies in pathophysiology and medicine.

Learning objectives:

- Understand structure-function relationships of the systems of the human body
- Identify the structural and functional levels of organization from cellular to organ system levels
- Describe how the body adapts to different everyday situations and environmental stresses
- Explain the principle of homeostasis and feedback-control mechanisms as they relate to the body systems
- Develop active learning styles through problem solving in physiology
- Apply knowledge of functional mechanisms and their regulation to explain the pathophysiology underlying common disorders
- Communicate physiologic concepts to a variety of audiences

Prerequisites: general biology; BIOL 101 or equivalent; MEDI 317 Human Physiology I or equivalent.

MEDI 335

Pathophysiology of Common Gastrointestinal and Metabolic Disease

This course provides a comprehensive survey of the pathophysiology of digestive and metabolic diseases and disorders, focusing on the most common diseases with public health implications. Diseases include, but are not limited to inflammatory bowel diseases (IBDs), diabetes and metabolic syndrome, common microbial infections, liver disease, irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), and GI cancers. Diagnoses, symptomology, and treatment strategies will be presented by guest lecturers with clinical and research expertise in specific disease pathologies. Within the context of these clinical topics on GI and metabolic disease, the underlying physiological, molecular, and cellular mechanisms will be reviewed and discussed along with current research. The course will be comprised of a combination of lectures and discussions, with reading assignments, an exam, a writing assignment, and a group presentation assignment.

Learning objectives:

- Identify the most common gastrointestinal/metabolic diseases
- Explain diagnostic criteria and symptoms associated with each disease/disorder; describe treatment strategies for each disorder
- Describe and discuss the underlying physiological, cellular, and molecular mechanisms associated with each disease
- Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between pathology and the underlying physiological, molecular, and cellular mechanisms for each disease
- Analyze and critique research publications and data investigating the pathophysiological mechanisms for a selected disease

Prerequisites: undergraduate coursework in cell biology, genetics, physiology, or college degree in biomedical sciences.

MEDI 339

Introduction to Cancer Biology

This course will cover the genetic basis of cancer, initiation and progression of cancer, signal transduction, tumor microenvironment, and metastasis. Additional topics will include cancer genomics, epithelial to mesenchymal transition, adhesion, angiogenesis, targeted therapies, and animal models. This course will also have a journal-club component, which will enable students to read and discuss scientific journal articles related to the course.

Learning objectives:

- Identify cancer biology terms and apply terms and information in textbook to case studies
- Discuss and present a scientific paper in detail, such as background information, experimental design, and findings

MEDI 345

Human Anatomy

Human anatomy will be taught using a systemic approach and emphasizing the connection between function and structure as it relates to physiological conditions and diseases. To this end, lectures will integrate elements of embryology and histology. Modern imaging methods will be introduced as well. Selected topics of topographic anatomy will be also examined, including head/neck and pelvis. A mid-term and final exam will be offered to allow students to assess their comprehension of the material.

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2 credits

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This course is suitable for advanced undergraduate and/or postbac students planning a career in medicine and biomedical research and will be taught at a level of complexity that is similar to courses offered at most medical schools. Other biomedical researchers who seek to better understand the structural underpinnings of normal and pathologic functions of the human body may also find the course useful.

Learning objectives:

- Master principles of human anatomy using a systemic approach
- Revise fundamentals of embryology and general micro-anatomy (histology)
- Learn macro-anatomy, including musculoskeletal, nervous, cardiovascular, respiratory, digestive, urogenital, and endocrine systems



- Acquire ability to understand how anatomical systems interact, and how structural and functional characteristics of tissues, organs, and systems are intimately interdependent
- Describe topographic anatomy of selected regions

Prerequisites: college degree; basic knowledge of cell biology.

MEDI 507

Inborn Errors of Metabolism

The objective of this course is to provide an overview of the principles and practice of human biochemical genetics. Topics to be covered include amino acidopathies, organic acidoses, disorders of carbohydrate metabolism and lipid metabolism, lysosomal storage diseases, peroxisomal diseases, purine and pyrimidine disorders, and a variety of other inborn errors of metabolism. Students will research a topic and present the lectures. Several guizzes are planned, and student participation will be strongly encouraged.

Learning objectives:

- Recognize the signs and symptoms of biochemical disorders of man
- Understand the principles of diagnosing and treating inborn errors of metabolism based upon knowledge of human . biochemical pathways
- Prepare for managing patients with biochemical disorders and for taking the American Board of Medical Genetics examination in biochemical genetics.

Prerequisites: graduate degree; this is an advanced course, largely geared toward Ph.D.s and M.D.s.

WORKSHOPS

BIOL 003

Methods in Molecular Biology (4 days)

This lecture and hands-on laboratory course is designed to provide participants with an introduction to molecular biology and recombinant DNA technology, along with related laboratory procedures that are widely used in biotechnology. Participants in this workshop will acquire skills in the use of generic methods, and through an understanding of such methods, will improve their effectiveness as staff in a contemporary research laboratory. Participants will learn about nucleic acids, strategies for cloning that includes various types of PCRs, and analysis of cloned products.

BIOL 007

Animal Cell Culture: Method and Applications (5 days)

This lecture and laboratory course is structured to provide life scientists who are not experienced in cell culture with an introduction to the principles and practices that will facilitate their ability to develop the use of in vitro systems. Additionally, investigators without formal training in tissue culture techniques will find the information and laboratory exercises extremely useful. This workshop is predicated on the application of the most rigorous principles of quality control and will be taught by experienced researchers with extensive years of experience in the field.

BIOL 021

Mitochondrial Molecular Biology and Pathology (5 days)

The purpose of this workshop is to provide a foundational knowledge to those beginning to investigate mitochondrial function and biogenesis or those simply interested in understanding these essential subcellular organelles. Participants will learn of the important metabolic reactions occurring within the mitochondria and how nuclear and mitochondrial DNA lesions can result in a wide variety of mitochondrial disorders. The workshop will include a combination of lectures and hands-on laboratory experiments designed to familiarize participants with the skills necessary to work with these organelles.

BIOL 026

PCR Basics, Real Time and Quantitative PCR (4 days)

From its conception in 1983 to its modern-day use in a myriad of clinical and research applications, the Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) has revolutionized modern molecular biology. This lecture and laboratory course will focus on the conventional Polymerase Chain Reaction and its applications in basic molecular biology research, genetics, and molecular pathology, including cancer and genetic diseases and identification of viral, bacterial and other pathogens. The course will include training in both basic PCR reactions as well as real-time RT-PCR as the method of choice not only for quantitative gene expression but also for validating results obtained from array analyses and other techniques that evaluate gene expression changes on a global scale.

BIOL 039

Epigenetics (5 days)

This course will address the basic principles of epigenetics, the role of epigenetic mechanisms in normal development and human disease, and the development of epigenetically effective drugs. The objective is to provide a solid foundation of information enabling participants to design experiments when returning to their own research lab. The course will also provide a solid background in order to understand the literature in this rapidly growing field. Sequencing of the human genome has been the first step in understanding human genetics. The chemical modifications to DNA and the chemical interactions involving the manufacture of proteins represents a second level of human genetics termed epigenetics or epigenomics. Epigenetics refers to the study of heritable changes in gene expression that occur without a change in DNA sequence. Research has shown that epigenetic mechanisms provide an additional layer of transcriptional control that regulates how genes are expressed. Epigenetic abnormalities are associated with genetic disorders, cancer, autoimmune diseases, aging, and pediatric syndromes, among others.

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Please contact Dr. Win Arias at ariasi@mail.nih.gov for further course information. For additional information, sign language interpretation, or accommodations for disabilities, please contact the Federal Relay 1-800-877-8339. Lectures cover basic mechanism underlying DNA methylation, histone modification, chromatin organization, noncoding RNA, and gene repression. Moreover, a broad range of topics will be covered in epigenetic research, including cancer, development, environmental health, and immunology. In addition, the lectures will provide participants with practical information concerning current techniques in epigenetic research. For example, the application of CHARM, Illumina bead arrays, restriction enzyme analysis, and bisulfate sequencing is discussed in designing experiments and interpreting data. In the laboratory, participants will gain hands-on experience in techniques including methyl specific PCR, chromatin immunoprecipitation, and global DNA methylation assays.

BIOL 042

Bio-Techniques

Bio-Techniques is the beginner's three-week intensive course, consisting of online lectures and in-person handson laboratory sessions that cover core laboratory techniques in molecular biology, cell culture, immunology, and bioinformatics. Methods to be covered have been identified by NIH scientists and private-industry representatives as techniques that research technicians would implement on a day-to-day basis. Lab workshops are designed to practice full protocols that are standard in molecular biology labs.

The course is suitable for postbacs, senior biology majors, international science students seeking lab experience, recent college graduates, graduates who have limited exposure to wet-lab training, or those in the sciences who need to strengthen their life sciences/biotechnology laboratory skills.

Students who successfully complete this lecture- and laboratory-based course will be awarded 4 FAES academic credits.

BIOL 055

Engineering With CRISPR, TALENs, and ZFNs (5 days)

Gene engineering provides the ability to manipulate gene expression in a desired cell type. In order to realize the full potential of stem cells, the development of tools to modify targeted genes is paramount. This course will provide an overview of three different engineering platforms including CRISPR, TALENS, and ZFNS.

The first part of the course will cover the general principles of each of these technologies, including design and assembly, along with the platforms available and different costs associated with each of them. The second part of the course will transition into different applications including engineering in mice, disease modeling, generating iPSC reporter lines, and high throughput approaches. We will also consider sequencing and quality control considerations for these technologies. Hands-on laboratory exercises will accompany lectures to provide training in design, assembly, transfection, and confirmation assays.

BIOL 092

RNA Library Prep for Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) (2 days)

In this hands-on training program, experts from academia and industry will teach how to prepare RNA-seq libraries. Participants will prepare Total RNA sequencing libraries using commercially available kits such as NEB Directional RNA Library Prep Kit and rRNA depletion kit (Human, Mouse and Rat) for leading NGS platform (Illumina) Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) technology. The training will also cover: workflow and chemistry; QCs and troubleshooting; and, sequencing data performance. This workshop also provides an opportunity for participants to bring their project-specific RNA samples. Control RNA will be provided to all participants.

BIOL 100

Single Cell RNA Library Prep for Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) (2 days)

This is a two-day hands-on lab workshop will prepare Single Cell and Low Input RNA-Seq libraries for Illumina Next Generation Sequencing under the instruction of experts from the industry. Specifically, participants will prepare single cell RNA and low input RNA sequencing libraries using the NEBNext® Single Cell/Low Input RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina®. The training will include hands-on single cell and low input RNA library preparation, cDNA and Library QC by Agilent Tape Station, discussions regarding the Bulk vs Single cell RNA-seq.

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Immunology and Microbiology

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CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

IMMU 325

1 credit

The Human Microbiome: New Concepts in Health and Disease

Ever wonder whether the latest headlines about 'good bacteria' are true or just hype? This course will cover the science behind the news and will address how the human microbiome is shaping our understanding of health, disease, and medical treatments. Topics will include current technologies being used to study the microbiome, microbial diversity, mucosal immunity and immunotolerance as well as the impact of diet on the microbiome. The course will explore how dysbiosis of the microbiome contributes to human diseases, such as obesity, diabetes, and cancer. Students will discuss how increased understanding of the microbiome impacts our usage of probiotics, prebiotics, and antibiotics.

This course is designed for postdoctoral Fellows, postbacs, graduate students, and other individuals who are interested in expanding their understanding of the microbiome and probiotics in health and disease. By the end of the course, students should have an understanding of the integral role of the microbiome in promoting human health and of how dysbiosis contributes to disease.

Learning objectives:

- Identify and compare important constituents of the human microbiome
- Describe technological methods used in microbiome analysis
- Assess the effects of probiotics and prebiotics on human health and disease
- Evaluate the contribution of the microbiome in various human disease states

Prerequisites: general knowledge of biology or consent of instructor.

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IMMU 369

Epidemics, Vaccines, and Prevention

When a large number of people become ill due to the same infectious agent, it is called an epidemic—or, if the disease spreads to affect even greater numbers globally, a pandemic. For example, the Bubonic Plague was active in the fourteenth century in Europe, killing almost one-third of the continent's population, while the 1918 flu killed an estimated 50 million people worldwide. More recently, the Ebola epidemic in West Africa showed that our global response to a potential pandemic is slow and lacking in early detection systems and global coordination. Vaccines, arguably one of the most important scientific breakthroughs of modern times, have allowed us to defend ourselves against rampant infections. The world community has managed to eradicate smallpox, and is close to eradicating polio. For both, the key tool was the implementation of routine vaccinations.

This course will explore historic and current threats by infectious diseases with epidemic or pandemic potential as well as strategies to prevent and control outbreaks. The course will emphasize the important role of vaccines and will cover the immunological mechanisms on which successful vaccines are based. Vaccines currently in use and major challenges in novel vaccine development and implementation will be also discussed.

Learning objectives:

- List major historical epidemics and their impact on society
- Discuss how both genetic mutations and changes in the environment together with human social behavior can give rise to new infectious diseases
- Explain how vaccines can help prevent infections
- Compare different types of vaccine strategies and their underlying immunological mechanisms
- Assess the potential of a developmental vaccine candidate

IMMU 403

Basic Principles of Immunology and Hypersensitivity

The immune system encompasses a broad, highly interactive network of cells, tissues, and anatomical structures that protects us from infection and cancer, yet can also induce autoimmune disease. The course will explore the genetics, cell biology, and physiology that govern both our resistance to infection and the induction of autoimmune disease and allergy. Distinctions between the innate/natural immune system and the adaptive immune system will be discussed. The role of intestinal microbiota, inflammatory reactions, and vaccines will be also studied.

Central to the discussions will be the role of cellular subsets (B cells, T cells, macrophages), serum proteins (immunoglobulins and complement), and cell surface receptors whose coordinated activities comprise the immune response. Specific immune pathologies or deficiencies associated with human disease will be also highlighted.

Learning objectives:

- Gain knowledge on key cellular components of the immune response
- Distinguish the function of innate/natural and adaptive immune systems
- Understand how the key antigen recognition molecules (TCR, BCR) arise from genetic recombination, and how the specificity of the immune repertoire is shaped
- Discuss the role of inflammation during infection, autoimmunity, and cancer
- Learn how cytokine activity affects cell signaling and function
- Understand how the immune system plays a role in the resistance to infection, induction of allergies, autoimmunity, and cancer

Prerequisites: familiarity with cell biology.

IMMU 419

Cancer Immunotherapy

Over the past decade, new therapies have led to the successful application of basic immunologic principles to treat human malignancies. The development of adoptive T cell transfer and the use of monoclonal antibodies to turn on an inhibited or 'exhausted' immune system are the type of radical innovations that are generating a remarkable series of clinical results. New concepts are emerging to explain how even large tumors can be eliminated or controlled for long periods of time.

The course will discuss the successes of the newly emerging era of the immunotherapy of cancer. The course will emphasize the remarkable accomplishments of the past five years in molecular and immune biology as well as provide a detailed review of emerging therapies using adoptive T cell transfer and immune check point inhibitors, prospects for new agents, and the application of biomarkers and bioinformatics in this rapidly developing field. Throughout, the course aims to provide an underlying framework for how the human immune system functions in infectious diseases, tumor immunity, and in immune-mediated adverse events.

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Learning objectives:

- Gain an understanding of the rapidly emerging results in basic and clinical studies using innovative therapies for human malignancies
- Develop theoretical and practical framework for studying the human immunology of infectious disease, malignancy, and autoimmunity
- Understand the nature of 'final common pathway' of successful T cell-mediated immunotherapy

Prerequisites: familiarity with basic immunology is strictly required; prior college-level coursework in immunology is highly encouraged.

IMMU 521

Molecular and Cellular Mechanisms of Immunity I

The objective of this course is to provide a survey of recent advances in immunology to students who have already had a basic immunology course. The course is offered as a series of lectures by NIH researchers, covering recent concepts of innate and adaptive immune responses, lymphocyte development and function, the genetic and biochemical basis of immune receptors and effector molecules. Recent research using biochemical, genetic, and cell biology approaches to immune function will be discussed in the context of experimental results. Grades will be based on take-home mid-term and final exams as well as on a short review-style paper on a topic related to the course.

Learning objectives:

- Survey recent advances in immunology
- Discuss lymphocyte development and interactions, receptor signal transduction, genetic and biochemical basis of immune receptors and effector function

Prerequisites: IMMU 403 Basic Principles of Immunology and Hypersensitivity or equivalent graduate-level immunology course.

IMMU 522

Molecular and Cellular Mechanisms of Immunity II

This is an advanced immunology course designed for those individuals who have had a basic immunology course at FAES or elsewhere. The course is a learning opportunity for postdoctoral Fellows, graduate students, postbacs, and others who wish to gain more knowledge in contemporary immunology. The course offers a chance to meet leaders in the field. Experts of the NIH immunology community contribute their time to this series of 30 one-hour lectures (two lectures delivered in each evening session). Topics include immunity to viruses, bacteria, fungi, parasites, immune systems of the gut, lung and skin, vaccines, autoimmune diseases, asthma, immune deficiencies, tumor immunology, dendritic cells, innate lymphocytes, and cytokines.

Learning objectives:

- Learn advanced immunological concepts from world authorities at NIH
- Apply these concepts to research projects, medicine, and management
- Identify fundamental mechanisms of innate and adaptive immunity
- Learn advanced principles of host defense against pathogens and the relationship with commensals
- Understand the bases of autoimmunity and immunodeficiency

Prerequisites: previous immunology course or working knowledge of basic immunology, IMMU 521 or equivalent.

MICR 317

Molecular Virology

This course provides an introduction to the molecular virology of virus infection and progeny virus production and spread. It details molecular mechanisms of virus entry, replication, transcription, translation, and propagation in the host. Starting with the molecular structure of select viruses, the course will focus on strategies used by various viruses for successful infection and propagation, including molecular mechanism of host defense and its evasion by the viruses. Select viruses important to human health (e.g., influenza virus, papillomavirus, HIV) will be considered in detail, highlighting recent advances in the understanding of their biology and pathogenesis. The lectures will include discussions of current strategies for vaccine development and viruses as vectors for gene transfer in functional genomics and gene therapy.

Learning objectives:

- Acquire fundamental and practical knowledge of virology from the molecular perspective
- Revisit the question of whether viruses are living organisms throughout the course
- Discuss how viruses infect a host, and the molecular determinants of infection and pathogenesis
- Identify gaps in our knowledge of virology and discuss how to fill those gaps
- Discover how the study of viruses is helping usher in the age of synthetic biology

Prerequisites: background in biochemistry/molecular biology and microbiology or consent of the faculty.

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MICR 325

Molecular Microbiology

This course will cover concepts in molecular microbiology, including microbial cell biology, bacterial biochemistry, bacterial genetics and genomics, and molecular interactions with host or microbiome communities. Select bacteria important to human health and disease (e.g. Staphylococcus aureus, Pseudomonas aeruginosa) will be considered in detail, highlighting advances in the understanding of their biology and pathogenesis. During the course, students will read primary scientific literature that highlights evolving technologies and experimental approaches that enable a deeper understanding of molecular microbiology. Class sessions will include active student participation in discussions and case studies.

Learning objectives:

- Explain fundamental and advanced principles of molecular microbiology, including microbial cell biology, bacterial biochemistry, bacterial genetics and genomics, and cell-cell interactions
- Identify key questions in the field and analyze how these apply to biomedical research and product development
- Interpret and analyze scientific literature in molecular microbiology
- Apply new knowledge to discuss case studies relevant to molecular microbiology

Prerequisites: introductory microbiology.

MICR 418

3 credits

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Emerging infectious pathogens are predators that exploit changes in human biology, behavior, and the environment to overcome public health measures and host defenses. Domestic examples include Zika, Ebola, influenza, dengue, and West Nile virus. Hospital-acquired infections, usually multidrug resistant, take the lives of over 90,000 Americans annually. Vaccine-preventable diseases reemerge in populations at both ends of the wealth spectrum, such as tetanus or rabies among the world's poorest children, measles or mumps among conscientious objectionists. In South America, dengue fever, schistosomiasis, leishmaniasis, and persistent childhood diarrhea feature prominently. In Sub-Saharan Africa, coinfections and drug resistance increasingly frustrate the struggle against malaria, tuberculosis, salmonellosis, and HIV/ AIDS. In East Asia, the recent origin of novel influenza viruses, SARS, and pan-resistant gonorrhea meets a particularly interesting nexus of economic transformation, societal upheaval, and government policy. Additional complications include an arising pandemic of hepatitis C, promiscuous drug-resistant genetic elements, rolling waves of HIV, the unfolding effects of climate change, and, of course, the specter of biological weapons.

The class will survey a wide range of pathogens whose emergence relates to contemporary human, microbiological, and environmental factors and will examine how microbes have overcome medical marvels that took 150 years to develop. Common themes will be developed from almost 50 examples of today's emerging infectious diseases. The course will explore the spectacular opportunities for research science to liberate humanity from existing infectious diseases and prepare for the next emergence.

Learning objectives:

- Understand where, how, and why infectious diseases emerge
- Discuss over 50 emerging infections in the context of U.S. and global health
- Get to know the impact of infectious disease and disease control on human genetics, behavior, and society
- Explore how infectious disease molds human science, art, and society
- Gain insight into important new opportunities in infectious disease

Prerequisites: interest in the interface of science and medicine, and, for credit students, willingness to make one class presentation on an emerging infectious disease chosen from a list.

Students interested in acting as a TA, email faculty at robert.hall@UCLmail.net.

MICR 432

2 credits

Human Virology

This course will begin with the description of diseases that turned out to be caused by viruses, such as cancer and AIDS, from antiquity to the present. This will lead to the methods of discovery of viruses, their general properties, modes of infection and propagation, genetics and evolution, viral pathogenesis, and host defense. This will be followed by a consideration of select viruses and diseases in organ systems, such as respiratory tract, nervous system, blood-born infections, and sexually transmitted infections.

Learning objectives:

- Acquire fundamental and practical knowledge of virology and human viral infections
- Discuss how viruses infect some hosts and not others, including the diverse mechanisms of infection that viruses employ
- Consider why some infections become epidemic, while others remain self-limiting
- Illustrate viral reproduction strategies and host-defense strategies
- Identify gaps in our knowledge of virology and consider why it is so difficult to control viral infections

Prerequisites: college graduate; knowledge of biology or consent of the instructor.

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WORKSHOPS

IMMU 004 Cellular Immunology: Principles and Methods (4 days)

The objective of this course is to learn, through lecture and laboratory sessions, those research approaches which form the foundation of our understanding of the immune system, with particular emphasis on the cellular elements and their roles in the orchestration of the immune response. This field is contributing to novel therapies and is in a high state of flux, so due attention will be given to new directions.

IMMU 008 Immunohistochemistry and Monoclonal Antibody Production (4 days)

The objective of this lecture and laboratory course is to provide investigators with information on approaches to the isolation, purification and characterization of antibodies and antigens. Special emphasis will be given to monoclonal antibody production, assay, and characterization.

IMMU 023 Flow Cytometry: Principles and Methods (4 days)

Flow cytometry has been a fundamental technology utilized for cell counting, cell sorting, biomarker detection, and protein engineering. This lecture and laboratory workshop will cover various applications of flow cytometry in research. Selected lecture topics will provide a broad background about the functions of a flow cytometer, choice of fluorochromes, data analysis and presentation, technical protocols for flow cytometric procedures and troubleshooting during data acquisition and analysis. The hands-on sessions will include demonstrations of a few different flow cytometer instruments, along with training on DIVA and FlowJo software.

IMMU 080 CAR T-Cells: Principles and Methods (3 days)

Chimeric antigen receptor-modified T cells (CAR-T cells) are T cells engineered to target and eliminate a specific type of cancerous cells. Substantial investments have been made in this field over the past few years due to the great promise this technology shows in targeting virtually any antigen-presenting tumor cell. This course will combine lectures and hands-on training to introduce participants to the potential of CAR-T cells and the different approaches for the utilization of this technology in different applications, along with techniques for the production and automation of manufacturing of CAR-T cells. This intensive training program also provides opportunity to participants to network with experts in CAR-T field from both academia and industries. Each participant will receive printed course materials.





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ENGL 355	Advanced English Conversation: Language, Culture, and Medicine
ENGL 375	Lunchtime Professional English Series: English for Better Workplace Communication
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GENL 275	Introductory American Sign Language
GENL 319	MCAT Review and Test Preparation
GENL 322 ONLINE	GRE Review
GENL355	The Poetry of Science, the Science of Poetry
GENL 411	Human Nutrition: Macronutrients and Micronutrients

ENGL 105

3 credits

Fundamental English Conversation I

This course is designed to assist students who have already studied English, but whose ability to express ideas through oral communication is limited. The core emphasis of the course is on improving rhythm, intonation, stress, and individual vowel/consonant sounds, with the goal of developing good conversational skills. This process will help students to express ideas clearly in spoken English and to improve communication both in the workplace and in daily life. Idiomatic usage, useful vocabulary, and sentence structure will be also covered to help students to communicate orally more effectively and fluently.

Discussions of American culture and customs will be also incorporated to develop language skills. To enhance learning and personalized practice, the course will take advantage of online learning tools and computer programs.

Learning objectives:

- Converse with general clarity using pronunciation and intonation patterns that allow for overall intelligibility
- Demonstrate effective word choice, vocabulary, idioms, grammar, and sentence structure
- Articulate ideas clearly in conversation
- Develop effective listening skills and respond appropriately to other speakers

ENGL 108

3 credits

Fundamental English Conversation II

This course is a continuation of ENGL 105.

ENGL 205

Intermediate English Conversation I

The goal of this course is to enable intermediate learners of English to understand and speak English more accurately, confidently, and fluently. New vocabulary and idioms will be embedded in oral exercises, conversation models, pair-work activities, and listening texts. Students will learn to listen for details and to summarize not only workplace lectures, but also conversations they hear in everyday situations in the cafeteria, on the bus, and at social gatherings. The oral topics studied are very current and will motivate students to speak with confidence. Fascinating discussions and debates will be developed and facilitated. Students will improve accents, rhythm, intonation, and stress patterns. Individual weekly student oral reports will be analyzed and evaluated to assist students in improving their spoken English. To enhance learning and personalized practice, the course will also take advantage of online learning tools and computer programs.

Learning objectives:

- Increase active conversational skills to intermediate level by improving accent, vocabulary, and grammar
- Build confidence by improving conversational skills
- Increase professional and personal success at a U.S. workplace and in daily life

Prerequisites: ENGL 108 or equivalent.

ENGL 207

Intermediate English Conversation II

This course is a continuation of ENGL 205.

Prerequisite: ENGL 205 or equivalent.

ENGL 305

Advanced English Written Grammar I

This course is designed for non-native English speakers who need improvement in communicating their ideas correctly in writing. The course will tackle a great variety of grammatical forms, structures, and writing techniques in order to guide students in how to convey ideas in writing clearly and accurately. By the end of the semester, students will be able to analyze and practice writing interoffice reports, emails, and letters, with the goal of acquiring writing skills for various target audiences. To enhance learning and personalized practice, the course will also take advantage of online learning tools and computer programs.

Learning objectives:

- Improve ability to convey ideas in written English by using correct grammar in written English
- Enhance and polish English writing skills
- Facilitate comprehension of ideas and thoughts in written words for colleagues, business associates, and friends

Prerequisite: contact instructor for details.

ENGL 306

Advanced English Written Grammar II

This course is a continuation of ENGL 305.

Prerequisite: ENGL 305 or equivalent; contact instructor for details.

ENGL 355

Advanced English Conversation: Language, Culture, and Medicine

Researchers from all over the world use English as the common language to share their findings with colleagues and debate current issues. This course is designed for biomedical researchers and others at the NIH and beyond who are intermediate and advanced students of English and who wish to improve their listening and speaking skills in the scientific workplace and/or in other academic settings, such as at conferences or symposia.

Targeted listening practice and readings will be followed by class discussions on topics related to science, medicine, technology, as well as U.S. culture. Students will increase their academic vocabulary and fluency in English and will be able to practice new ways to express and debate issues and ideas. Throughout the course, students will also practice and improve their pronunciation so that they can communicate more effectively.

The course is designed so that students will have the opportunity to work toward their individual goals, which they will communicate to the instructor at the beginning of the course.

3 credits

3 credits

3 credits

Learning objectives:

Learn how to speak to a variety of audiences by using everyday English to discuss scientific topics

Improve English-language conversational skills by speaking clearly and concisely, and finding new ways to

- Express a personal opinion or argument using persuasive, effective language
- Answer questions about one's area of interest and practice with confidence

Prerequisite: upper-intermediate to advanced level of proficiency in English.

ENGL 375

3 credits

Lunchtime Professional English Series: English for Better Workplace Communication

Adjusting to a new workplace in the United States can be challenging for non-native speakers of English. Even after years of studying English, it can be very difficult to communicate effectively in a professional environment. With coaching and practice in this class, students can gain confidence in their ability to speak and understand English in a variety of settings. This course focuses on strategies for effective communication at meetings, presentations, and even at the cafeteria. Students will learn to focus their presentations on one main idea and speak naturally about their research or other topics in their field.

In addition to presentation skills, the course will also teach strategies for leading discussions—raising a topic, giving background information, and asking questions of the group. Leading discussions is an important skill for collaborative work. Overall, students will gain the skills they need to have more fulfilling interactions with their colleagues.

Learning objectives:

- Design and deliver clear and concise presentations to target audience
- Prepare for and respond to questions about area of interest
- Lead discussions on area of interest, providing background information and encouraging discussion
- Agree, disagree, and make suggestions in the course of a conversation
- Clarify information and ask for clarification to build understanding and make progress toward goals

Prerequisite: high intermediate to advanced level of proficiency in English.

SPAN 101

Spanish for Beginners I

This course is an introduction to the Spanish language within a cultural context. It will emphasize the development of basic listening, speaking, and reading skills. Other competencies such as comprehension, pronunciation, reading, and role-playing will be also practiced in class. Class time will include vocabulary building, language drills, and communication activities in order to introduce students to Hispanic culture.

Learning objectives:

- Express orally basic ideas in Spanish
- Identify some high-frequency words and expressions and use them at a rudimentary level
- Understand basic reading texts written in simple present tense

SPAN 102

Spanish for Beginners II

This course is the continuation of SPAN 101. It is an introduction to the Spanish language, with emphasis on basic communication skills. Other competencies such as comprehension, pronunciation, and reading are will be also practiced in class. Class time will include vocabulary building, language drill, and communication activities to introduce students in order to Hispanic culture.

Learning objectives:

- Express orally basic ideas in Spanish
- Identify some high-frequency words and expressions and use them at a rudimentary level
- Understand basic reading texts written in simple present tense

Prerequisites: SPAN 101 or equivalent.

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SPAN 208

Spanish for Healthcare Providers

This course is designed to help health providers to improve verbal communication skills with Spanish-speaking patients. It will help health professionals to build competence in interviewing, examining, and treating patients. It includes conversation and role-play situations in the context of different common medical situations. Students will learn the names of body parts, action verbs, and useful phrases typically used in a medical setting. Spanish concepts and correct pronunciation will be also covered.

Learning objectives:

- Learn to greet and get accurate detailed personal information from patients
- Discuss parts and relationships of body organs, muscles, etc.
- Understand and use vocabulary describing pain and discomfort
- Communicate about basic ailments and illness
- Pronounce Spanish medical vocabulary and develop Spanish phrases that can be used in own role/workplace

Prerequisites: some basic knowledge of Spanish is recommended, but students who wish to increase their verbal skills will also benefit from this course.

GENL 195

Mindfulness and Stress Reduction

This experiential and participatory course will introduce students to the practice of mindfulness, with a focus on guided instructions and cultivation of mindfulness, gentle stretching and movement, group dialogue, and home practice. Mindfulness is a set of timeless practices most fully articulated by the Buddha 2,500 years ago. Interest in mindfulness and its beneficial effects on health and well-being have greatly blossomed in the West in recent years. The application of mindfulness in medicine and stress reduction has also vastly increased.

No prior experience with meditation and reflective practices is required. This class can complement, but is not a substitute for, medical, psychological, and/or psychiatric treatment. If you have any concerns about the appropriateness of this course for your well-being, please consult your care provider. In case of serious conditions or disability, please contact the course instructor prior to registration to evaluate whether you would benefit from participation at this time.

First eight sessions will consist of 2.5-3-hour workshops. On the last week, on Saturday, there will be a full-day 'Mindful Day' retreat.

Learning objectives:

- Learn and practice a number of mindfulness techniques and their application, such as mindful breathing, body scan, mindful walking, and mindful eating
- Acquire skills to apply mindfulness practices in daily life
- Understand the importance of taking steps towards developing a regular mindfulness practice
- Experience the impact of practicing mindfulness on reducing stress

GENL 275

Introductory American Sign Language

American Sign Language (ASL) is a visual-gestural language that possesses all of the properties of a natural language. It is rule governed and has a rich history. This introductory-level course is designed to provide students with a way to communicate and function comfortably in a variety of situations in the Deaf community. Through visual-gestural activities, guided practice, presentations, and practical assignments, students will explore the language, education, and culture of the American Deaf community.

Learning objectives:

- Understand and use target sign vocabulary expressively and receptively
- Describe and distinguish the five parameters of a sign
- Understand the importance of non-manual signals (NMS) in ASL

2 credits

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3 credits



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- -ANGUAGES AND GENERAL STUDIES
- Develop expressive fingerspelling in short words and name
- Identify technology and assistive devices used by people who are deaf and hard of hearing
- Know the diverse educational placement options for students who are deaf and hard of hearing
- Show awareness and respect for Deaf culture

MCAT Review and Test Preparation

GENL319

This review course prepares students for the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT). For a complete description of MCAT exam, prerequisites, and eligibility, please visit www.aamc.org.

Students will be presented with foundational scientific information that every future medical student should know in order to excel at the exam and become a great medical professional. Comprised of 32 two-hour units (two units will be covered each week), this course condenses graduate syllabi organized within MCAT-relevant disciplines: biology; general chemistry; biochemistry/organic chemistry; psychology/social sciences; and, physics.

Instruction will heavily rely on solving MCAT-style questions with the ultimate goal of promoting genuine understanding of the material, decreasing ineffective memorization, and improving students' confidence. Students will be expected to use MCAT review books or their graduate textbooks to prepare for each unit, identify topics that are unfamiliar or difficult, and bring up those topics during classroom discussions.

Learning objectives:

- Review major disciplines and concepts for each MCAT section
- Understand basic scientific principles as they pertain to living organisms and medicine
- Apply foundational knowledge to solving problems presented in MCAT format
- Critically analyze discipline-specific text passages and arguments

GENL 322

ONLINE GRE Review

This review course will prepare students for the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) General Test. Initially, the focus will be on content and test-taking strategies for the Quantitative, Verbal, and Writing portions of the General Test. Numerous example problems will be conducted during class to reinforce the concepts and strategies that will be discussed by the instructor. In the final weeks, students will take full GRE exams as homework and discuss the solutions to problems.

The lectures will be interactive, with student participation strongly encouraged. All homework materials will be taken from the Official GRE Verbal and Quantitative Reasoning Practice Question Books or from Official GRE Practice Tests that are provided by ETS (the makers of the test).

Learning objectives:

- Refresh knowledge on math concepts, verbal reasoning, and analytic writing
- Sharpen skills for and gain confidence in GRE test-taking
- Improve GRE general test score

GENL355

The Poetry of Science, the Science of Poetry

It has been suggested that metaphor, a mainstay of poetry, is essential to explaining scientific concepts to the general public. One example is the physicist John Ellis's analogy of a "snowfield" to explain the Higgs Boson. Through the centuries, many poets, including scientist-poets, have pursued similar efforts. But, poetry and science also have other, deeper connections. Just as Francis Collins and Renée Fleming have explained that music is a window into brain

science, so is poetry-especially poetry that contains music in the form of rhyme and meter. Through examining essays

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1 credit

on poetry's intersection with neurology and psychology (by Frederick Turner, Ernst Pöppel, and others), close reading of time-honored poems, and informal writing exercises, students will develop a deeper understanding of these connections and of the craft of poetry, both as an art form and as a tool to enhance all writing.

Learning objectives:

- Learn the basics of metaphor, meter and rhyme; become acquainted with classic forms such as sonnet and villanelle; and, discover how psychology and neurology interact with poetry
- Use these skills as a reader and writer: understand factors that make time-honored poems work, and experiment with writing new poems or revising poems students have written
- Examine selected classic and contemporary poems about science to consider whether they can enhance understanding of science
- Explore how conscious attention to meter, rhyme, and other patterns can increase a writer's expressive power and bring deeper insights to the surface, enhancing all forms of writing

Prerequisites: basic mastery of the English language; previous experience with poetry is optional.

GENL 411

Human Nutrition: Macronutrients and Micronutrients

This course covers macronutrients (carbohydrates, lipids, and proteins) and micronutrients (vitamins, minerals, trace elements, accessory nutrients and various phytochemicals) from a mind/body perspective. Nutrients will be addressed in terms of ingestion, digestion, absorption, transportation, metabolism, and storage. Consideration will be also given to nutrient building blocks as well as psychological and physical reasons for and health effects of insufficiency, excess, supplementation, and interaction.

Learning objectives:

- Assess an individual's diet and modify behavior, choice, and intake to optimize health outcomes
- Discuss structure, physiological roles, digestion, absorption, and metabolism of macronutrients
- Describe absorption, bioavailability, metabolism, food sources, dietary requirements, excess, and toxicities of micronutrients
- Explain factors contributing to increased need for B vitamins, vitamin C, fat-soluble vitamins, and major minerals
- Evaluate clinical symptoms of vitamin and mineral deficiencies and toxicity

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Advanced Studies in Public Health

WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH?

Public health addresses the needs of human populations and focuses on protecting and improving the health of entire communities while they are still healthy. The field of public health can be distinguished by this proactive, preventive approach and a focus on the community as its patient rather than an individual.

ADVANCED STUDIES IN PUBLIC HEALTH

The FAES Academic Programs at NIH offers a unique Advanced Studies in Public Health, developed to broaden the perspective and enhance the skills of current health sciences professionals as well as to give a competitive edge to those who are considering a career in public health. The program is designed to build competencies in the five core disciplines of public health, as defined by the Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH):

- biostatistics
- environmental health sciences
- epidemiology
- health policy and management administration
- social and behavioral sciences

The program culminates in a **Capstone Project** through which students will be required to demonstrate their understanding and mastery of core disciplinary knowledge and the practice of public health.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The Advanced Studies in Public Health is open to persons with a Bachelor's degree or above. Courses are offered in the evenings, generally on the NIH campus in Bethesda, making it convenient for working professionals and postdoctoral Fellows to acquire expertise in public health and enhance current employment position or to take the first step on a career path in public health.

Students are required to complete a 21-credit curriculum comprised of seven required courses.

Students planning to pursue a Masters of Public Health (M.P.H.) degree at an accredited university or college are responsible for contacting the institution to determine if credits earned for FAES courses can be transferred under the university's transfer policy.

Shortly after I took up appointment with the Radiation Epidemiology Branch at the National Cancer Institute (NCI), I desired to know more about epidemiologic research. So, I enrolled in FAES classes. These classes helped to satisfy my heart's desire and provided the needed insight and knowledge to do my work better to understand the technical content of the Branch/ Division's seminars and presentations. The courses I enjoyed most were social and behavioral sciences as well as environmental epidemiology. They helped me to understand the importance of the social milieu as a determinant of public health outcomes, which has motivated me to explore opportunities, including further studies on how to help improve the health infrastructure in my home country Nigeria.

Epidemiology Program Specialist, National Cancer Institute

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion, students will be able to:

- Apply statistical reasoning and methods to address, analyze, and solve problems in public health, healthcare, biomedical, clinical and population-based research
- Describe and explain patterns of disease and injury in human populations and apply this study to the control of health problems
- Understand and describe environmental factors, including biological, physical, and chemical factors that affect the health of a community
- Explain and describe factors that affect the delivery, quality, and costs of healthcare for individuals and populations; understand from a managerial and policy perspective the structure, process, and outcomes of health services, including the costs, financing, organization, outcomes, and accessibility of care
- Describe and explain behavioral, social, and cultural factors related to individual and population health and health disparities; understand how programs and policies in public health and health services promote and sustain healthy environments and healthy lives for individuals and populations

REQUIRED COURSES

STAT 317	Introduction to Epidemiology
STAT 500 I	Statistics for Biomedical Scientists I
STAT 500 II	Statistics for Biomedical Scientists II
PBHL 501	Environmental Health Sciences
PBHL 512	Social and Behavioral Sciences
PBHL 517	Health Policy and Administration
PBHL 607	Capstone Project in Public Health

As a basic research scientist, the advanced studies helped me to extend my professional experience, building solid foundations in the core disciplines of public health. I also had the chance to apply my scientific knowledge and experience to global and public health topics. I expect this experience to serve as a first step in transitioning from basic research to careers in public health.

Visiting Fellow, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disease

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STEPHEN MARCUS, CHAIR Introduction to Global Health PBHL 500 PBHL 501 Environmental Health Sciences PBHL 510 Alcohol Across the Lifespan PBHL 512 Social and Behavioral Sciences **PBHL 517** Health Policy and Administration Introduction to Program Evaluation PBHL 518 ONLINE **PBHL 521** Cancer Screening **PBHL 525** Current Public Policy Topics in Science and Medicine **PBHL 527** Healthcare Management PBHL 537 Health Policy Analysis Using SAS and STATA PBHL 580 Health Economics and Econometrics Applied to the Evaluation of Research **PBHL 591** Advanced Seminar in the Evaluation of Research **PBHL 607** Capstone Project in Public Health STAT 200 Experimental Statistics I and II STAT 317 ONLINE Introduction to Epidemiology **STAT 321** Methodology in Clinical Trials STAT 325 ONLINE Epidemiologic Research Methods **STAT 330** Introduction to SAS **STAT 430** Advanced SAS **STAT 500** Statistics for Biomedical Scientists I and II STAT 500 I ONLINE Statistics for Biomedical Scientists I STAT 500 II ONLINE Statistics for Biomedical Scientists II
2 credits

PBHL 500

Introduction to Global Health

Global Health is described as *"an area for study, research and practice that places a priority on improving health and achieving equity in health for all people worldwide"* (Koplan J, 2009. Lancet. 373:1993).

During the course, a broad snapshot of global health will be presented, providing students with insight into the challenges currently facing global health. Students will also gain an understanding of why tackling global health issues is such an important endeavor with the potential to reduce poverty, build stronger economies, and promote peace. Students will not only be exposed to the major communicable and non-communicable diseases posing a profound effect on health (especially within the developing world), but will also learn how socioeconomic and demographic differences can influence the burden of disease. A number of other critical underlying factors, including environmental,

behavioral, and cultural influences, will be also presented. Through the use of case reports from around the world, the course will explore how research findings are transferred into policy and practice. Students will be encouraged to understand that solving global-health problems requires the input of multiple disciplines. To emphasize this point, speakers will be drawn from diverse fields, including the sciences, ethics, economics, and diplomacy. An interactive group exercise will be part of the course.

Learning objectives:

- Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the transitions and socioeconomic determinants of population health across the globe through a comparative analysis of the etiology and prevalence of communicable and non-communicable diseases and trauma/injury conditions
- Describe in detail two or more variables that interact to influence the health status of a population, including environmental, behavioral, and cultural effects
- Articulate the importance and necessity of multidisciplinary teams to solve global health problems

PBHL 501

Environmental Health Sciences

Environmental health is the branch of public health that deals with the human health effects of exposure to chemical, physical, biological, and psychosocial agents in the community, workplace, and at home. Environmental health as a discipline includes the fields of medicine and epidemiology as well as ecology and environmental policy. Environmental health scientists focus on recognizing, studying, and mitigating the impacts of chemical, physical, and biological agents as well as on understanding how human behavior and actions (and inactions) impact the environment. The field of environmental health is multidisciplinary and relies on team-science approaches. The course surveys the essential scientific components and control strategies of major environmental health problems.

Learning objectives:

- Understand residential, occupational, and other environmental agents and exposures that can affect human health
- Understand methodologies and approaches for assessing, preventing, controlling, and communicating environmental risks
- Understand subpopulations, such as children and pregnant women, and environmental justice and equity
- Understand informatics approaches for responding to and monitoring environmental health-related disasters and other events
- Understand resources for keeping up with environmental health issues, research, legislation, and regulations

This is a required course for Advanced Studies in Public Health.

PBHL 510

Alcohol Across the Lifespan

This course will serve as an introduction to alcohol and its effects across the lifespan, with emphasis on examining how alcohol use and the risk for alcohol-related problems change over a person's lifespan. This course is taught at the graduate level and is designed to help students understand the importance of preventing, diagnosing, and treating alcohol misuse and alcohol use disorders. It is also designed to help students understand how various stages of development have different risks for problematic drinking behaviors, while the lifespan-development approach will give students a framework from which to work. Topics will include: epidemiology of alcohol use; neurobiology of addiction; genetics of alcohol, fetal alcohol spectrum disorders; binge drinking; health consequences of drinking (including liver disease and various cancers); prevention of alcohol use disorder (AUD); and, medications management. Lectures will include discussions of the latest alcohol research findings and evidence-based practices, with ample time allowed for questions and answers at the end.

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3 credits

Learning objectives:

- Gain an understanding of the prevalence of alcohol use and misuse, including alcohol use disorder in the U.S. and its harmful costs to society
- Understand alcohol and the health problems it can cause across the lifespan, from the developing fetus to older adults
- Learn about current research and evidencebased practices for the prevention and treatment of alcohol misuse and alcohol use disorders
- Examine the disease of addiction, including effects of alcohol on both the developing and the developed brain, and how the brain changes in addicted individuals
- Discuss how alcohol affects special populations, in particular in the context of diversity issues, health disparities, and women

Prerequisites: understanding of basic epidemiology, such as incidence and prevalence, will be helpful, but not required.



3 credits

PBHL 512

Social and Behavioral Sciences

The social and behavioral sciences in public health address the behavioral, social, and cultural factors related to individual and population health and health disparities over the course of life. Research and practice in this area contributes to the development, administration, and evaluation of programs and policies in public health and health services to promote and sustain healthy environments and healthy lives for individuals and populations.

Learning objectives:

- Identify the causes of social and behavioral factors that affect health of individuals and populations
- Identify critical stakeholders for the planning, implementation, and evaluation of public health programs, policies, and interventions
- Describe the role of social and community factors in both the onset and solution of public health problems
- Discuss merits of social and behavioral science interventions and policies
- Apply evidence-based approaches in the development and evaluation of social and behavioral science interventions

This is a required course for Advanced Studies in Public Health.

PBHL 517

Health Policy and Administration

This course provides an analysis of the current organizational arrangements and patterns for provision and financing of medical care services in the U.S. Specifically, topics would include: the medical care process, policies, and factors which affect need, access, and use of services; factors affecting supply and distribution of health professionals and health facilities; current issues pertinent to these healthcare services; factors related to healthcare costs; quality assessment and assurance; and, financing of care through health insurance and governmental programs. Additionally, the course covers the various components of the U.S. healthcare system over the entire continuum of care. Attention will be given to private and public financing mechanisms, the forces of market competition, government regulation, and the impact of health policy on key stakeholders.

Learning objectives:

- Describe main components, issues, legal, and ethical bases of organization, financing, and delivery of health services and public health systems in the U.S.
- Describe and analyze current issues of health policy, quality, and legislation
- Discuss policy process for improving the health status of populations
- Identify and apply principles of program planning, development, budgeting, management, and evaluation in organizational and community initiatives

This is a required course for Advanced Studies in Public Health.

PBHL 518

ONLINE Introduction to Program Evaluation

Government agencies and private organizations have implemented multiple health programs. Usually, labor and resources are spent developing and implementing these programs. But, how do we know if public needs are being addressed? How can we tell if it works? If it does work, how well does it work? If it does not work, what is the reason for it? Can it be fixed? The answers to these questions are at the heart of program evaluation. This has led to program evaluation rapidly gaining visibility and prominence as an objective basis for program and policy decision making. This course will introduce students to program evaluation approaches and methodological tools that can be used to evaluate public health programs and research.

Learning objectives:

- Explain major concepts, approaches, and key elements of program evaluation, and how to apply these to public health practice and research
- Identify standards for conducting good program evaluations (i.e., utility, feasibility, propriety, and accuracy)
- Describe five aspects of health program evaluation -- its relevance, progress, efficiency, effectiveness, and impact
- Identify evaluation-design techniques, and how these compare to methods used in traditional research
- Design a basic program evaluation plan that includes measurable program objectives, evaluation questions, logic model, timeline, evaluation measures, budget, and a plan to enhance utilization of findings

PBHL 521

Cancer Screening

Cancer screening aims to detect the disease at a stage when it is asymptomatic and curable. This course will introduce students to the theory and practice of cancer screening in the United States. Students will learn to draw conclusions about the benefits and harms of screening for cancer, given available evidence from epidemiologic studies and clinical trials. Issues surrounding screening for breast, colorectal, lung, cervical, and prostate cancer will be covered; other cancers will be covered if time permits. Class sessions will include lectures as well as student-led discussions.

Learning objectives:

- Learn about the methodology used to assess cancer-screening tests and how to interpret cancerscreening data
- Identify potential benefits and harms of cancer screening
- Become familiar with the evidence in favor of and against population-based screening for breast, colorectal, lung, cervical, and prostate cancer as well as with the controversies that surround mass screening for these diseases

Prerequisites: previous undergraduate or graduate coursework in public health or enrollment in FAES's Advanced Studies in Public Health or permission of the instructor.

PBHL 525

Current Public Policy Topics in Science and Medicine

The policy-making process plays a key role in the sciences and medicine. Initiatives proposed by advocacy groups and decisions made by legislators can influence research funding, disease prevention, healthcare delivery, patient engagement, professional regulations, and workforce infrastructure. This seminar-format course will provide an opportunity to examine current issues drawn from public health, workforce development, healthcare innovation, clinical practice, and biomedical research. Oral presentations and brief written exercises will allow students to further refine their skills in communication, research, analysis, and critical thinking.

Learning objectives:

- Discuss key contemporary public policy issues in public health, biomedical research, clinical medicine, and related areas
- Refine communication, research, analytical, and critical thinking skills that may be applied in policy-related positions with the federal government, non-profit organizations, and the private sector

Prerequisites: PBHL517, PBHL527, or previous graduate-level coursework on health policy administration and/or management recommended.



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1 credit

PBHL 527

Healthcare Management

This course provides an overview of concepts and issues related to healthcare leadership through competencybased learning. Through the examination of management topics and healthcare situations, students explore the skills and knowledge needed to be successful in a diverse healthcare environment. Topics include: healthcare leadership; organizational design as it relates to the uniqueness of healthcare organizations; managing professionals; and, diversity in the workplace. Day-to-day operational management of healthcare organizations, including hospitals, private practice, ambulatory settings, and specialty services, with a focus on issues influencing the administration of today's healthcare organizations will be also evaluated. Specifically, attention will be given to those issues that affect the delivery of care, and how decisions are made and can evolve into the development of new initiatives.

Learning objectives:

- Describe and identify organizational structure of the healthcare delivery systems and administrative processes
- Identify theoretical models of healthcare organizations and structures
- Describe and discuss functional areas of healthcare management
- Assess organizational performance through successful leadership and cultural strategic models

PBHL 537

3 credits

3 credits

Health Policy Analysis Using SAS and STATA

Each year, the federal government collects, manages, and makes available considerable amounts of population health data. In this course, students will gain working knowledge of databases, such as NHANES, NHIS, and MEPS, that are frequently used by public health analysts, policy makers, and researchers. The course will cover the types of variables that are included in each database. It will also discuss how the data are collected, how to retrieve the data, and how to prepare the data for statistical analysis. Using SAS or STATA, students will learn how to develop appropriate research questions and analyze the data, with emphasis on data management, exploratory data analysis, regression analysis, and the interpretation of statistical analysis. Finally, students will study a series of published papers on health policy in order to understand the application of statistical methods to the field.

Learning objectives:

- Develop population-based perspectives of health and healthcare
- Gain working knowledge of major health databases, such as NHANES, NHIS, MEPS
- Acquire analytic skills using SAS or STATA
- Develop technical writing skills for presenting data analyses for publications and formal reports
- Distinguish among different types of policy study methods in regard to applications, methods, and utility

Prerequisites: access to SAS (student version is satisfactory) or STATA required; undergraduate or graduate course in statistics or comparable experience required; graduate course or comparable experience in policy analysis required.

PBHL 580

3 credits

Health Economics and Econometrics Applied to the Evaluation of Research

The evaluation of research, particularly biomedical research, has entered a period of intense demand for rigorous methods and actionable results, including economic analyses. Several years ago, the NIH convened an expert external panel to consider the broad area of assessing the value of biomedical research. The panel put forward an overarching assessment and measurement framework that included healthcare costs as an output and healthcare-related costs savings as an outcome. Challenges and opportunities exist in meeting this demand. Two distinct perspectives are important: one is the perspective of a grantee or principal investigator who uses economic variables to establish the need and predicted outcomes for basic or applied research for specific observed health conditions, as well as the efficiency and costs of the research; the other perspective is that of the science policy in which the grantor has the need to establish research priorities and evaluate research program efficiency and costs.

Critical questions to be explored include the identification of relevant direct and indirect economic costs related to health, the identification and measurement of federal biomedical research costs, and the attribution of changes in health outcomes to federally funded research.

In this introductory class, students will learn the foundations of health economics and econometric modeling and will apply them to the evaluation of biomedical research and public health programs.

Learning objectives:

- Develop economic perspectives of health and healthcare
- Distinguish among different types of cost studies in regard to applications, methods, and utility
- Explore regression analysis as a major econometric tool
- Develop a working knowledge of the evaluation hierarchy
- Apply knowledge gained to economic evaluation of publicly funded research and health programs

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PBHL 591

Advanced Seminar in the Evaluation of Research

The public funding of research includes many discrete components: setting research priorities; securing funds; funding research infrastructure; selecting and funding meritorious projects; conducting research; monitoring research progress; communicating research findings; and, training researchers. This survey course is deigned to review theories, methods, and practices in program and policy evaluation as they relate to research, particularly publicly funded biomedical research. The full range of the evaluation hierarchy (needs assessment and program planning, feasibility and implementation evaluation, process evaluation, and outcome and impact evaluation) will be considered as students will be guided to develop a comprehensive framework for the evaluation of federally funded biomedical research.

Learning objectives:

- Apply methods for systematic reviews of literature to a specific body of knowledge
- Employ methods of data synthesis to develop a comprehensive framework for the evaluation of research
- Explore the application and utility of the framework in their workplaces

Prerequisites: graduate-level coursework in program or policy evaluation or considerable work experience in program or policy evaluation.

PBHL 607

Capstone Project in Public Health

The Capstone Project is the culminating experience of the Advanced Studies Program in Public Health, designed to allow students to demonstrate the acquisition of skills and the integration of knowledge across all coursework in the Advanced Studies Program. This is achieved by demonstrating a mastery of select public health competencies. Between five and 10 of these competencies are selected, at least one from each core discipline, and up to five additional ones from either discipline-specific or interdisciplinary/cross-cutting competency lists (see https://www. aspph.org/teach-research/models/ mph-competency-model/) to serve as specific learning objectives as

well as evaluation criteria for the Capstone Project.
The Capstone Project is a mentored course. Students will be required to spend approximately one day per week for the duration of the semester at an appropriate professional setting to put the classroom learning into practice.
Many different models or types of projects are possible. Examples include: 1) design, conduct, and analyze data from an original research or evaluation study: 2) conduct secondary data analysis of existing data; 3) conduct a policy or

an original research or evaluation study; 2) conduct secondary data analysis of existing data; 3) conduct a policy or regulatory analysis; 4) perform administrative or managerial functions within the healthcare delivery system; 5) develop an outreach or community-based health program; 6) work on an educational or health campaign for a professional association, nonprofit association, or advocacy group.

Learning objectives:

- Synthesize and integrate knowledge acquired in coursework and other learning experiences
- Apply theory and principles in a situation that approximates some aspect of professional practice
- Demonstrate proficiency in selected competencies
- Determine, through examination by Capstone Project Mentor and Chair of the Department of Public Health, whether the body of knowledge in the Advanced Studies Program has been mastered

PRIOR TO ENROLLMENT, STUDENTS MUST CONSULT WITH THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR OF PUBLIC HEALTH. IN ADDITION, STUDENTS MUST HAVE THEIR PROJECTS OUTLINED, IN PLACE AND AGREED UPON BY THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR PRIOR TO ENROLLING IN THE CAPSTONE COURSE.

This is a required course for Advanced Studies in Public Health.



3 credits

Experimental Statistics I and II

This course introduces statistical concepts and essential techniques that are frequently used in biomedical data analysis. The emphasis will be equally divided between solid understanding of basic principles and their applications. R software is introduced and used for demonstration throughout the course.

Topics covered in the first semester: probability and random variables; mean and variance; distribution theory; point estimation and confidence interval; R introduction.

Topics covered in the second semester: test of statistical hypothesis; one- and two-sample tests; power and sample size calculation; analysis of variance (ANOVA); nonparametric tests; linear regression; analysis of categorical data; permutation and bootstrap; data analysis using R.

Learning objectives:

- Understand basic principles of probability and statistics
- Use appropriate statistical tools to analyze data for research

Prerequisites: working knowledge of algebra II; one semester of calculus is preferred.

STAT 317

3 credits

ONLINE Introduction to Epidemiology

The objective of this course is to provide an introduction to the principles and methods of epidemiology, defined as the study of the distribution and determinants of disease in populations. Lectures, problem sets, and outside reading will cover ecologic, case-control, cohort, and experimental studies. Topics to be discussed will include study design, measures of disease risk, sources of bias, methods of controlling for extraneous factors, principles of screening, and interpretation of data. Illustrations will include classic and contemporary examples in acute and chronic disease.

Learning objectives:

- Calculate measures of disease risk and association
- Summarize steps involved in investigation of an infectious disease outbreak
- Describe and compare epidemiologic study designs
- Define bias and confounding
- Evaluate critically epidemiology studies as presented in journal articles and the popular press

Prerequisites: STAT 200 or STAT 500 or equivalent.

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STAT 321

Methodology in Clinical Trials

The objective of this course is to learn the concepts and methodology used in the design and conduct of randomized clinical trials. Topics to be covered will include the description of main types of trial designs, principles of randomization and stratification, issues in protocol development (defining objectives and endpoints, blinding, choice of control), recruitment and retention, data collection and quality control issues, monitoring, and analyses of trials reports. Textbook material will be frequently supplemented by material from the literature. Guest



lecturers will give lectures on power and sample size calculations, life table analysis, quality of life and cost evaluation. Examples from the cardiovascular, pulmonary, and cancer areas will be used when appropriate. The course is intended for biomedical researchers desiring exposure to the clinical-trial field.

Learning objectives:

- Acquire a fundamental understanding of methodological principles and concepts in clinical trials
- Describe essential elements of clinical trials and use this knowledge to contribute to the successful conduct of a clinical trial
- Read critically clinical trials literature

In order to run this course, minimum 10 students need to register.

STAT 325

ONLINE Epidemiologic Research Methods

The objective of this course is to provide a deeper understanding of epidemiologic research methodology that can be used to interpret critically the results of epidemiologic research. This understanding will result from investigating conceptual models for study designs, disease frequency, measures of association and impact, imprecision, bias, and effect modification. The course will emphasize the interpretation of research, even when the design or execution of the respective research is less than ideal.

Learning objectives:

- Be able to distinguish design options in the conduct of epidemiologic research
- Learn about choices for measures of disease frequency, association, and impact
- Understand the origin of selection, information, and confounding biases, and its effect on research results
- Know the origin of imprecision and its effect on research results
- Recognize the origin of effect modification and its effect on research results

Prerequisites: STAT 200 or STAT 500 and STAT 317.

STAT 330

Introduction to SAS

The course will cover the fundamentals of the SAS program and its variables, creating data, importing data (from text and Excel files), exporting data (to text, pdf, and Microsoft-related formats), manipulating data, and providing descriptive statistics. Students will have the opportunity to practice in class, using sample datasets. Homework and project assignments will be provided as well.

3 credits

2 credits

Learning objectives:

- Recognize different types of raw data and learn how to import them into SAS
- Understand different types of variables as well as how to manipulate and convert between them
- Understand how to set up and conduct merging and transposing of data tables
- Obtain descriptive statistics such as mean, median, min, and max
- Generate reports and output reports into a variety of file types.

Prerequisites: basic understanding of Microsoft Excel; prior programming experience and basic knowledge of statistics (i.e. mean vs. median vs. mode) would be beneficial, but is not required.

STAT 430

2 credits

Advanced SAS

The course will cover advanced SAS coding concepts such as the use of SAS Macro, SAS SQL, as well as a combination of both. The course will also introduce students to SAS STAT coding for common statistical tests (such as t-test, ANOVA, linear regression, and others). Students will have the opportunity to practice in class, using sample datasets. Homework and project assignments will be provided as well.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the principles of Macro variables and Macro functions
- Become proficient with writing Macro coding for new programs and adding Macro coding to existing programs
- Understand how to create tables using SAS SQL with a variety of conditions
- Combine knowledge of STAT330 concepts with SAS SQL and SAS Macro to solve complex data issues
- Use SAS STAT to perform statistical tests (t-test, ANOVA, correlation, linear regression, Chi-Squared, logistic regression) **Prerequisites:** STAT 330 Introduction to SAS or equivalent at another college/university.

STAT 500

3 credits

Statistics for Biomedical Scientists I and II

The objective of this course is to provide an overview of statistics through a series of integrated lectures on analysis and interpretation of medical research data to biomedical researchers and clinicians who are interested in the interpretation of the results of statistical analyses. Emphasis is on ideas and understanding rather than mechanics. Topics covered in the first semester include the foundation of statistical logic and the most commonly encountered statistical procedures in medical research. The second semester expands on the material covered in the first semester by looking at assumptions, extensions, and alternatives for common procedures.

STAT 500 is a yearlong course. Material covered in the first semester is necessary to satisfactorily undertake the second semester. Those who will be routinely engaged in computing statistical procedures should consider STAT 200.

Learning objectives:

 Enable biomedical researchers to critique statistical analyses of classical biomedical and clinical research problems



- Understand the probability basis of statistical estimation and hypothesis testing
- Interpret statistical software printout from popular programs such as SAS, Excel, etc.
- Compute sample sizes for classical statistics hypothesis

This is a required course for the Advanced Studies in Public Health.

STAT 500 I

ONLINE Statistics for Biomedical Scientists I

The objective of this course is to provide an overview of statistics for biomedical researchers and clinicians who are interested in the interpretation of the results of statistical analyses. This is a series of integrated lectures, readings, and exercises on analysis and interpretation of medical research data using Excel. Emphasis is on ideas and understanding rather than mechanics. Topics covered include the foundation of statistical logic, interpretation of the most commonly encountered statistical procedures in medical research, and selection of an appropriate method to analyze a particular set of data. The second semester expands on the material covered in the first semester.

STAT 500 is a yearlong course. Material covered in the first semester is necessary to satisfactorily undertake the second semester. Those who will be routinely engaged in computing statistical procedures should consider STAT 200.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the role of chance in biomedical research
- Become knowledgeable about processes of estimation and statistical inference
- Learn about the statistical methods most often used in biomedical research
- Select appropriate statistical approach to analyze a set of biomedical research data
- Use Excel to analyze biomedical research data

This is a required course for the Advanced Studies in Public Health.

STAT 500 II

ONLINE Statistics for Biomedical Scientists II

The objective of this course is to provide an overview of statistics for biomedical researchers and clinicians who are interested in the interpretation of the results of statistical analyses. This is a series of integrated lectures, readings, and exercises on analysis and interpretation of medical research data using Excel. Emphasis is on ideas and understanding rather than mechanics. Topics covered include the foundation of statistical logic, interpretation of the most commonly encountered statistical procedures in medical research, and selection of an appropriate method to analyze a particular set of data.

Those who will be routinely engaged in computing statistical procedures should consider STAT 200.

Learning objectives:

- Learn the statistical aspects of processes planning and execution of biomedical research
- Know the assumptions of statistical methods, how to evaluate them, and how to respond to concerns
- Learn more complicated statistical methods than those presented in STAT 500 I
- Be able to build multivariable models and learn how they contribute to causal inference

Prerequisite: STAT 500 I or equivalent.

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The second semester expands on the material covered in the first semester. Materials covered in the first semester are necessary to be successful in undertaking the second semester.

3 credits



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Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer

WHAT IS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER?

Technology transfer is a term used to describe a formal transfer of rights to another party to use and commercialize new discoveries and innovations resulting from scientific research. Universities typically transfer technology through protecting new innovations by use of patents and copyrights, then licensing them. Major steps in this process include the disclosure of innovations, patenting the innovation concurrent with the publication of scientific research, and licensing the rights to innovations to industry for commercial development (**www.autm.net**). The technology transfer field employs more than 10,000 professionals in the U.S., many of whom practice their trade in the greater Washington, D.C. area.

NIH is the nation's leader in health research and is one of the world's foremost medical research centers. After the landmark legislations in the 1980s, NIH also led the nation in technology transfer and spawned, from its research, the development of a number of lifesaving drugs, vaccines, and medical devices (**www.ott.nih.gov**). Research scientists and technology transfer professionals at the NIH work together to ensure that basic results in the lab get transplanted successfully to the marketplace as useful biomedical products.

ADVANCED STUDIES IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

The FAES Academic Programs at NIH developed a unique Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer to serve the needs of scientists or engineers who wish to gain expertise in patenting, licensing, collaborative agreements, and other fundamental intellectual property transactions and/or to provide additional training to professionals already in the field.

The program culminates in an independent **Capstone Project** through which students will be required to demonstrate their knowledge of the theory and practice of technology transfer by completing a project of their design and choice at the NIH or in their regional community.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer is open to persons with a Bachelor's degree in science or engineering. Courses are offered in the evenings, making it convenient for working professionals and postgraduate Fellows to seek additional training or gain expertise and experience in patenting, licensing, collaborative agreements, and other fundamental intellectual property transactions. Faculty are leading practitioners in the field. So, students can simultaneously gain the necessary knowledge and build professional networks.

The program comprises a self-paced 15-credit curriculum that can be completed in approximately two years.

I was interested in leaving the bench, and thought technology transfer would be a logical transition as it would allow me to take technology from the bench to the bedside. During the program, I enjoyed the coursework, professors, and the classmates.

When I found out about the agreement between UMUC and FAES through which FAES credits could be transferred to UMUC, I decided to pursue my Master's degree in biotechnology at UMUC. I will graduate in May 2015. The classes from the Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer prepared me for the coursework I encountered at UMUC.

Biologist, National Cancer Institute

I took FAES's classes to explore alternative career possibilities besides bench science. I really enjoyed the coursework because it opened my eyes widely. I learned a lot about business development, patent law, finance, and negotiation skills. The advanced studies in technology transfer served as a stepping-stone for a new career. It helped me to land my current job as a technology transfer specialist in the Navy.

Technology Transfer Specialist, Naval Medical Research Center

REQUIRED COURSES

TECH 513	Introduction to Technology Transfer	The Advanced Studi Technology Transfer	
TECH 565	Biomedical Business Development	has a strong curricu provide the knowled	
TECH 607	Capstone Course in Technology Transfer	aspect of technology	
ELECTIVES CHEM 327 PHAR 328 TECH 495	The Art of Drug Design and Discovery FDA Perspective on Drug Development The FDA: Science, Health Policy, and Regulation in an Uncertain Environment	field and provide info using case studies, t a feel of real-world s Both required and el	
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TECH 525	Collaborations, and Agreements Legal and Ethical Issues in Public Health and Biomedical Sciences	transfer. I would rec this program to anyo to pursue technolog as a career.	
TECH 528	Preclinical Evaluation of Novel Drugs and Bevond	Technology Trans	
TECH 566	Building a Biotech Company: Business Leadership and Management Strategies	The Henry Foundation for the Ac of Military Me	
TECH 567	International Strategic Partnering and Business Development		
TECH 572	Marketing Strategies for Scientific Organization	IS	
TECH 575	Accounting and IP Valuation for Non-Accountant	S	
TECH 582	Intellectual Property and Patent Prosecution for Scientists		
TECH 583	Patent Research for Scientists and Engineers		
TECH 584	Translational Medical Product Development		
TECH 586	International Health Science, Technology, and Innovation		
TECH 588	FDA Regulatory Strategy in Medical Product Development		
TECH 607	Capstone Course in Technology Transfer (second time would count as an elective)		

dvanced Studies in ology Transfer at FAES strong curriculum to e the knowledge and ecessary for every of technology transfer mmercialization. Faculty ers are experts in the nd provide information case studies, thus giving of real-world situations. equired and elective s provided me with th understanding and red me well to transition field of technology er. I would recommend ogram to anyone willing sue technology transfer areer.

chnology Transfer Liaison, The Henry M. Jackson ation for the Advancement of Military Medicine, Inc.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion, students will be able to:

- Understand fundamental technology transfer processes for transferring scientific findings from one organization to another for the purpose of further development and commercialization
- Explain and describe the role that intellectual property will play in the transition from a manufacturing-based economy to a knowledge-based economy as part of industrial and societal development
- Describe and explain specific technology transfer processes involved with: (1) identifying new technologies; (2) protecting technologies through patents and other forms of intellectual property; and, (3) forming development and commercialization strategies, such as marketing and licensing to existing private sector companies, or creating new startup companies based on the technology
- Learn to apply technology transfer processes to ensure that new discoveries have the opportunity to reach the stream of commerce and that investments in intellectual property are returned to the public through products that benefit the public and increase employment as well as state and federal taxes
- Understand how commercialization of scientific innovations can be pursued without disrupting the core research institution values of publication and sharing of information, research results, materials, and know-how

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CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

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TECH 490 NEW	Communication in Biomedical Sciences
TECH 495	The FDA: Science, Health Policy, and Regulation in an Uncertain Environment
TECH 508	Regulatory Affairs and FDA Regulation
TECH 513	Introduction to Technology Transfer
TECH 513A	Introduction to Technology Transfer—Issues and Processes
TECH 521	Tools For Technology Transfer Managers—Handling Intellectual Property, Collaborations, and Agreements
TECH 525	Legal and Ethical Issues in Public Health and Biomedical Sciences
TECH 528	Preclinical Evaluation of Novel Drugs and Beyond
TECH 565	Biomedical Business Development for Scientists
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TECH 588	FDA Regulatory Strategy in Medical Product Development
TECH 607	Capstone Course in Technology Transfer
WORKSHOPS	
TECH 071	Project Management Training for Scientists

CREDIT-BEARING COURSES

TECH490

Communication in Biomedical Sciences

In this course, students will learn how to effectively communicate their ideas to other researchers, lay audiences, scientific peers, and potential investors. Students will practice oral presentations for varying audiences and will learn to improve their daily communication, cross-cultural communication and non-verbal communication. Students will have the opportunity to prepare scientific information for science as well as lay publications, prepare oral presentations with the effective use of technology, and create scientific posters. Students will also learn to give and receive effective feedback and will hone their editing skills.

Learning objectives:

- Develop written and oral communication skills that are applicable in all areas of science
- Demonstrate knowledge of different scientific, technical, and science writing styles
- Practice editing skills of papers for different audiences, including scientists, peer-reviewed journals and lay audiences

TECH 495

2 credits

The FDA: Science, Health Policy, and Regulation in an Uncertain Environment

The FDA is a science-based regulatory agency whose mission is to protect and promote the public health. It exists at the interface of science, law, and policy—and some would say, increasingly, politics. This course explores the complex scientific and policy issues the FDA must address in regulatory decisions that affect all Americans and cover products that account for approximately one-fifth of the American economy. It reviews some of the major forces that have shaped the FDA, surveys the broad range of FDA's regulatory mandate, explores the FDA's role as gatekeeper for emerging medical technologies, and examines the current state of the agency in a rapidly changing environment.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the FDA's mission, how that mission has evolved, and how science informs the FDA's policy and product decisions
- Explore potential career paths at the FDA and in industries that produce FDA-regulated products
- Appreciate the importance of effectively communicating FDA's decisions on a multitude of complex scientific, medical, and public health matters
- Identify the various forces and interests that confront the FDA, and evaluate their potential impact on the agency in an uncertain and evolving political environment

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 508

Regulatory Affairs and FDA Regulation

The FDA regulates, to differing extents, drugs, biologics, medical devices, foods, cosmetics, and tobacco. The Federal Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) gives FDA authority to regulate these products. Students will gain familiarity with FDA's regulatory authority under the FD&C Act. The course will begin with an overview of the United States Government and Administrative Law. Then, it will provide an overview of drug, biologic, and medical device approval processes. It will also cover how FDA regulates food, dietary supplements, cosmetics, and tobacco. Students will learn how FDA enforces its regulations. Individual and/or group projects may be assigned.

Learning objectives:

- Become familiar with the U.S. legal system and FDA's administrative regulatory authority
- Learn about FDA's regulatory oversight over drugs, biologics, medical devices, foods, cosmetics, and tobacco
- Gain an understanding of current FDA news

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Introduction to Technology Transfer

This introductory survey course is aimed at both scientists as well as new or future technology transfer professionals. Specific topics will include: the history, legislation, and public policy that drive federal technology transfer; the role of the Office of Technology Transfer at NIH; the role of the Technology Development Coordinators at NIH; forms of intellectual property; the definition of a patentable invention and the definition of an inventor; the patent application process; licensing of inventions; patent litigation; infringement and interference; collaborative research; and, transactional agreements. Federal, state, international, academic, small and large industrial perspectives will be also explored. Special topics will include biomedical technology development, third-party considerations in natural products development, and technology assistance programs.

The course utilizes a number of outside expert speakers from the local technology transfer, business, and legal communities. Students will be also able to see a number of role models for non-traditional careers in science.

Learning objectives:

- Develop a basic understanding of technology transfer and its role in the biological sciences
- Comprehend the basis and subsequent interaction of technology transfer in the overall developmental process of moving new discoveries to the marketplace
- Gain a greater appreciation of career options in technology transfer

This course is required for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 513A

Introduction to Technology Transfer-Issues and Processes

Technology Transfer Society/Washington, D.C. Chapter

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TECH 521

2 credits

Tools For Technology Transfer Managers—Handling Intellectual Property, Collaborations, and Agreementss

Designed for technology transfer specialists new to the field or scientists and other individuals wanting to learn the nuts and bolts of technology transfer activities, this course will delve into the day-to-day tools utilized by professionals in the field. The course will begin with setting the context with an introduction to intellectual property law and, then, will turn to a focused review of the various types of agreements relating to collaborations, exchanges of materials, license agreements, and clinical trials, along with the potential issues or problems they are designed to address. Finally, the field of technology transfer will be put into a broader context, with a look at its relationship to contracts, grants, and other forms of government/non-government interactions, in addition to customer-service techniques and negotiation tactics.

Learning objectives:

- Develop a working understanding of basic intellectual property law
- Comprehend the broad regulatory and business framework for technology transfer
- Assess the different tools available for transferring technology, with a focus on federal labs

Prerequisites: TECH 513 Introduction to Technology Transfer is recommended, but not required.

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

Legal and Ethical Issues in Public Health and Biomedical Sciences

This course offers an overview of legal issues affecting biotechnology and other science-based industries and frames basic philosophical and ethical considerations regarding genetic data and manipulation. The course includes a discussion of intellectual property issues.

Learning objectives:

- Discuss ethical issues, the basis and influence of moral theories on resolving bioethical issues
- Survey the legal, medical, and scientific aspects of current bioethical issues
- Learn about the U.S. patent process and the interdependency of marketplace and laws which regulate it
- Explain how the principles of property and ownership relating to intellectual property and biological materials impact the development of new therapies and diagnostics
- Understand the impact of biotechnology on healthcare and the medical community

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 528

2 credits

Preclinical Evaluation of Novel Drugs and Beyond

This course will discuss in detail various aspects of nonclinical evaluation of novel drugs. Students will gain an understanding of animal studies submitted to support the safety of clinical studies and marketing application. Specific nonclinical study design, interpretation, and risk assessment for general toxicity, genotoxicity, reproductive toxicity, immunotoxicity, local toxicity, and carcinogenicity will be discussed in detail. Nonclinical studies that address alternate routes of administration, such as inhalation or intravaginal application, will be explored.

Further, students will explore how the pharmaceutical industry uses nonclinical studies to prioritize and make business decisions, including in-licensing, academic/professional partnering, and entering the international market. Students will also investigate how nonclinical studies can be used to address the new paradigm of pharmacy compounding and aftermarket safety evaluations. By the end of the class, students will have the opportunity to discuss case studies, analyze nonclinical studies of various drugs, and make decisions based on the interpretation of these studies.

Learning objectives:

- Review the history and fundamentals of pharmacology/toxicology and challenges faced by these disciplines in the drug-approval process
- Discuss how non-clinical study results are interpreted, and how the pharmacology/toxicology discipline assesses hazard identification that affects advice provided regarding safety and efficacy in human clinical trials and for drug approval
- Explain the nonclinical study requirements and types of data reviewed by the pharmacology/toxicology Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) reviewer discipline
- Discuss how the pharmaceutical industry uses nonclinical studies to make business decisions, including partnering with academic and contract-research organizations, in-licensing, and moving to international markets
- Explore post-marketing safety of drugs via epidemiology, and how nonclinical studies can be used to address after-market safety concerns as well as pharmacy compounding

Prerequisites: college-level biology.

TECH 565

2 credits

Biomedical Business Development for Scientists

This course will take a practical, hands-on approach to business plan development, venture capital, and technology transactions. Using current examples from the active technology portfolio of the NIH Office of Technology Transfer or an example of their own choosing, students will learn and participate in reviewing a scientific innovation and determining whether the discovery makes a realistic business proposal. The course will look at the history of venture-capital and its relation to science and technology. The course will emphasize technology-transfer issues (particularly from the NIH standpoint) related to real-world technology partnerships and venture capital investments. Issues related to legal considerations, including due diligence and licensing issues, will be also highlighted.



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The course will be taught as a semester-long simulation in which students take on the various roles of entrepreneurs and investors in all aspects of science focused on venture capital dealings. Lectures by seasoned biotechnology executives and venture investors will provide for a real-world approach to learning. Students will be expected to develop a draft business plan by the end of the semester and present it to venture capital professionals as if asking for funding in a real-world pitch meeting. Student plans may be selected for use in marketing or commercialization efforts by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer.

Learning objectives:

- Develop an appreciation of the role of venture capital and other investors in the development of new biomedical technologies
- Understand and be able to complete the essential elements of a business plan
- Communicate effectively, orally and in writing, to potential investors the commercial advantages of a new technology Prerequisites: basic or advance knowledge of science; no business credits required.

This course is required for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 566

2 credits

Building a Biotech Company: Business Leadership and Management Strategies

This course will take a practical, hands-on approach to studying the strategy and dynamics necessary for the growth of a biotechnology company from a basic research effort located in a research institution to a fully financed, stand-alone business operation prepared to place finished products in the life science marketplace and to generate a financial return for investors. Through a different panel of expert speakers each week—with specific experience in the week's topic—the discussion will build on the previous weeks' topics to arrive at a finished construct of a fully operational biotechnology company. There will be an emphasis on interactive discussions between class members and panelists. Panel members will offer first-hand observations, insights, and personal anecdotes concerning their experiences in building different aspects of a life-science company. Discussions will include critical-thinking and management decisions during times of technology challenge, financial adversity, and growth.

The course will include onsite visits and lectures relating to various-sized biotechnology companies in the region. A variety of topics related to the biotech company will be examined, including intellectual property, entrepreneurship, professional advisors, different types of investors and fundraising, applied research and product development, regulatory considerations, manufacturing, sales and marketing as well as leadership and senior management. For a final grade, students will provide an oral presentation and complete a written summary of a chosen management topic. Student interaction with speakers is highly encouraged.

Learning objectives:

- Develop a working understanding of the structure and management of biomedical business firms
- Comprehend the critical thinking needed for management decisions during times of financial hardship and growth
- Be able to effectively interact with biotech stakeholders to discuss issues relating to finance, R&D, marketing, manufacturing, and human resources

Prerequisites: basic or advanced knowledge of science; TECH 565 is helpful, but not required.

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 567

2 credits

International Strategic Partnering and Business Development

This course will assess the growing global marketplace for innovative biomedical products and research, particularly in developing countries, with a focus on business plans, market development, venture capital, technology transactions, and relevant international partnerships. Using current examples from the technology portfolio of NIH and other organizations, students will review scientific innovations and determine whether a particular discovery constitutes a realistic business proposal from an international perspective.

This course seeks to understand the content and nature of international S&T partnerships, including approaches taken by different institutions and the major forms and types of international agreements, particularly those involving the NIH. The course will also look at sources of funding (venture capital, philanthropic, and others) and their relation to innovation and product development. The course will examine technology transfer issues related to new institutional frameworks, such as product-development partnerships (PDPs), advanced market commitments (AMCs), and other partnerships. Students will be expected to assess a technology of their choice, and develop a draft executive summary of a new bio business concept, with a potential commercial advantage in the international marketplace, or to write a research paper on one of the topics covered.

Student efforts may be selected for use in commercialization efforts by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer, or in presentations to international business plan groups, or for publishing in an international journal. The course will provide a real-world flavor through guest lectures from representatives who play major roles in global markets and are affiliated with biotech/pharma industry and the public sector.

Learning objectives:

- Understand the growing marketplace for innovative biomedical products and research, particularly as they relate to developing countries
- Examine approaches taken by different institutions, including the NIH, and new institutional frameworks such as PDPs
- Assess sources of funding in relation to innovation and the development of biomedical products
- Prerequisites: basic or advanced knowledge of science; no business credits required.

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 572

2 credits

Marketing Strategies for Scientific Organizations

This course explores the role of marketing in science-based organizations that seek to reach their goals in technology development, product development, public health impact, or other societal needs. The course will start with a clarification of what constitutes marketing by providing the students with the basic concepts, terminology, and practices of marketing. Next, the course will focus on the role of marketing in a research or scientific organization and the specific issues related to marketing technologies. Using a case-study approach, students will be provided with examples of conducting market analyses in the biomedical area. Students will use real-world examples of technologies to create an effective marketing, socially responsible marketing, and marketing technologies in international markets, specifically in developing countries.

Students, in groups, will be asked to utilize key marketing concepts to develop a marketing plan for a biomedical technology, product or service that may be chosen for the technology portfolio of the NIH Office of Technology Transfer or other biomedical organizations.

Learning objectives:

- Develop expertise in branding products and companies
- Use market research tools to develop strategies for real technologies
- Interact with guest lecturers to learn how people get to be marketers
- Understand the basics of marketing: Product, Price, Promotion, and Place

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Accounting and IP Valuation for Non-Accountants

Finance and accounting are the language of business, yet this language is not well understood by people in non-profit or scientific research institutions who work with for-profit companies. This course will give an overview of how companies keep score, and how outsiders can understand the financial health of internal activities. The course will make extensive use of financial statements (Annual and Quarterly Reports) from well-known companies and use these reports to introduce principles of financial accounting. These principles will be tied to an understanding of: (1) how an individual can assess the financial stability and capabilities of a partner; (2) how financial issues can impact potential collaborations and deals with companies; (3) how financial issues directly impact agreements in which students may participate. The class will also look at the operation of financial markets, and how the reported financial issues of a company interact with the broader financial markets.

Students will make extensive use of publicly available financial information that may be found online. The class will have periodic assignments that will provide an opportunity for students to present their analyses in class.

Learning objectives:

- Develop basic understanding of accounting principles and financial statements as they apply to biotech and other life-science companies
- Utilize transactions as the basis for building balance sheets, income statement, and other financial statements
- Analyze the performance of public biotech and life science companies using standard financial tools

Prerequisites: experience with or interest in collaborations or agreements with for-profit organizations.

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 582

Intellectual Property and Patent Prosecution for Scientists

This course will provide a general review of the intellectual property (IP) ecosystem and a comprehensive analysis of the patenting process from a business perspective. IP is a currency that connects the global community, and this course explores how patents and other intellectual property spur innovation, new product development, and business growth. The course will also explore how one values and uses a protected technology, covering issues such as the place of technology in the research and development pipeline, and the effects of regulatory compliance. Using an historical approach to account for social, economic, and technological changes, students will gain greater knowledge of the history of the patent system, the evolution of U.S. patent law, the process of obtaining, defending, and attacking patents. Students will also

review the many different ways to resolve conflicts involving intangible property.

Learning objectives:

- Understand invention, discovery, creative work, secret, and how they can give a business advantage
- Gain a high-level understanding to distinguish between or obtain the four types of IP: patents; trademarks and service marks; copyrights; and, trade secrets in the context of supporting business development
- Describe U.S. patenting process, both historically and in the context of the movement toward global harmonization through international IP frameworks
- Explore some common career options in the IP field, such as patent agents and attorneys, licensing professional, technology transfer professional, technology searcher, and patent examiner
- Draft at least the most important sections of a patent application

This is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.



Patent Research for Scientists and Engineers

A significant amount of scientific information is available in a patent that is not available in any other publication. Therefore, in every stage of research, knowledge of patent data is essential to developing a clear understanding of the state-of-the-art. Designed for scientists, engineers, and researchers, this course teaches students where to find patent data, how they are organized, and what strategies are required to conduct high-quality patent research. An overview of leading patent databases is provided, while students will also receive training and free access to a number of top-tier subscription-based databases for the semester. Databases required for biology and chemistry research are also covered. Students will be exposed to the basic legal framework underlying patent research required at key points of the innovation lifecycle along with strategies for developing state-of-the-art reviews, patentability and invalidity assessments, freedom to operate analysis, and competitive intelligence through patent analytics.

Learning objectives:

- Gain the know-how to develop the search strategy required to make informed research decisions and the ability to select the best resources to conduct patent research in diverse technology areas
- Understand what information is found in patents, and how patent research is leveraged to inform research-related decisions throughout the innovation lifecycle
- Develop an understanding of the basic strategies and legal requirements for common patent research goals required in research

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 584

Translational Medical Product Development

To be competitive in industry, scientists must understand the intricate process of translating basic research into innovative, market-driven products. Further, these scientists must be able to navigate the complex pathways of intellectual property management and regulatory affairs of agencies such as the FDA. This course will provide life-sciences students with the skills to integrate industry-relevant training and experience with basic science education. This course will explore the licensing, marketing, and regulatory processes through which a bioscience product is developed and brought to commercialization.

Learning objectives:

- Acquire knowledge and tools of different aspects of medical product development
- Understand strategic considerations of medical product development

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 586

International Health Science, Technology, and Innovation

This course provides a comprehensive overview of policy and programmatic issues related to the support of research & development (R&D) and innovation internationally. It addresses U.S. domestic as well as international issues and is concerned with governmental and non-governmental policies related to scientific innovation and making medicines, devices, and other technologies affordable and accessible to Low- and Middle-Income countries in a sustainable way. The course also includes discussion of how R&D-based innovation is now seen as crucial to advancing public health and economic growth and development as well as societal well-being. This course will examine public policy and programs and the role of the U.S. Government, national governments abroad, foundations, universities, industries and international organizations in the R&D health-innovation policy system. Additionally, this course will prepare students who are either currently in the field of or are planning careers in global health, international R&D, and scientific innovation to get involved in policymaking and/or national and international program management.

Learning objectives:

- Discuss the importance of R&D and its impact on science, technology, and health systems internationally
- Understand the NIH model for enhancing public health, R&D, and technology transfer process
- Discuss case studies related to public health and technology transfer applicable to different countries
- Share global health R&D activities and programs at NIH, other U.S. government agencies, international organizations, and institutions in different countries

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

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FDA Regulatory Strategy in Medical Product Development

This course offers an overview of the historical development of food and drug laws and regulations as they apply to drugs, biologics, and medical devices, including radiological products, with an introduction to marketing clearance and approval processes, regulations covering import, export, current good manufacturing practices, labeling, reclassification, establishment registration, and medical device listing.

Learning objectives:

- Gain an understanding of the history and development of food and drug laws and regulations as applied to drugs, biologics, and medical devices
- Get introduced to processes, regulations, manufacturing practices, reporting, listing, inspection involved in medical device and product development

This course is an elective for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer.

TECH 607

Capstone Course in Technology Transfer

This course is designed as a final course of the FAES Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer. Students will utilize the information and experience gained in the other technology transfer courses, along with scientific training, to complete a project of their design and choice at the NIH or in their regional community.

This course is customarily taken after a student has completed at least six previous courses in technology transfer and has accumulated a strong academic record. As part of the course, students will be identifying a research topic and a mentor who is familiar with their prospective inquiry and who is willing to provide guidance and oversee the project. Assistance is available to students in selecting a topic and locating a mentor. The research project must be independent of current work-related responsibilities, as determined by the project mentor. The mentor may be from the NIH, the local business community, a supervisor from the student's place of work, or any expert with appropriate credentials. Students are required to submit a formal proposal for review and approval by the course instructors. Student projects can include internships, but such are not specifically required. Students must meet with the course instructors periodically to discuss the project's progress. A written document, poster presentation, or similar outcome, must be completed and approved by the course instructors and project mentor in order for the student to receive credit.

Learning objectives:

- Identify an area related to technology transfer or technology development that is of strong interest to the student and merits further exploration and independent study
- Complete the project for a client or mentor that will focus on a practical experience outcome
- Utilize the project and practical experience obtained as part of a career-development or transition strategy for future employment

Prerequisites: permission of the instructor.

This course is required for Advanced Studies in Technology Transfer. This course may be taken two times.

COURSES OFFERED IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE ELECTIVES FOR THE ADVANCED STUDIES IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

CHEM 327 The Art of Drug Design and Discovery PHAR 328 FDA Perspective on Drug Development

WORKSHOPS

TECH 071

Project Management Training for Scientists (2 Days)

According to the latest edition of *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge*, project management is the application of knowledge, skills, tools, and techniques to a broad range of activities in order to meet the requirements of the particular project. These results are defined in terms of four factors: cost; schedule; performance; and scope. Cost is the budget allocated to the project; schedule is the timeline for the project's deliverables; scope is the magnitude of the job and, performance captures how well the team members do their work.

This course provides a comprehensive introduction to the essential aspects of project management for scientists. The course will draw on relevant case studies, and prepare participants to apply learning gained from the course in their organizations.

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DIRECTIONS TO THE NIH MAIN CAMPUS (9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892)

From the Capital Beltway in Northern Virginia or Maryland:

Take the Beltway (495) Westbound (Outer Loop) or Northbound (Inner Loop)

Take exit 36 to Old Georgetown Road, South

Turn left onto W Cedar Lane

Yield right onto Rockville Pike

Follow signs to the Main Visitor's entrance is on the right



NIH Visitor's Map



Street Address:

National Institutes of Health 9000 Rockville Pike Bethesda, MD 20892

Main Entrance: NIH Gateway Drive Rockville Pike & NIH Gateway Drive

NIH Gateway Center

Vehicle Inspection:

5am–10pm, Monday-Friday After 10pm on weekdays, all day weekends and holidays, all visitor (patients, commercial, noncommercial) vehicles, motorcycles and bicycles must enter campus at the CVIF

Pedestrians: 24 hours, 7 days a week West Gateway Center (Pedestrians Only) Near Old Georgetown Rd & South Dr

6am–12pm Monday–Friday

To learn more about visitor and security issues at the NIH, visit: http://www.nih.gov/about/visitor/index.htm.

For questions about campus access, please contact the ORS Information Line at orsinfo@mail.nih.gov or 301-594-6677, TTY-301-435-1908.

VISIT WWW.FAES.ORG/AP FOR INFORMATION ON TUITION, CLASS TIMES, AND LOCATION.

NIH Visitor's Map with Perimeter Security

INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS AND VISITORS TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Street Address:

National Institutes of Health 9000 Rockville Pike Bethesda, MD 20892

Welcome to the NIH. Please take the time to read this bulletin. It contains important parking and security information you need when visiting the NIH campus.



GENERAL VISITOR PARKING INFORMATION:

Visitors (*other than patients*) parking at the **Gateway Parking Garage (MLP-11)** and in designated visitor parking lot:

Monday–Friday, 7am–7pm: \$2.00 per hour for the first three hours \$12.00 for the entire day

Metered parking lots: Monday–Friday, 7am–7pm \$2 per hour

The NIH has implemented security measures to help ensure the safety of our patients, employees, guests and facilities. All visitors must enter through the NIH Gateway Center at Metro or the West Gateway Visitor Center. You will be asked to submit to a vehicle or personal inspection.

Visitors over 15 years of age must provide a form of government-issued ID such as a driver's license or passport. Visitors under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

Vehicle Inspections—All vehicles and their contents will be inspected upon entering the campus. Additionally, all vehicles entering certain parking areas will be inspected, regardless of any prior inspection. Drivers will be required to present their driver's license and may be asked to open the trunk and hood. If you are physically unable to perform this function, please inform the inspector and they will assist you.

Vehicle inspection may consist of any combination of the following: Detection Dogs Teams (K-9), Electronic Detection Devices and Manual Inspection.

After inspection, you will be issued a vehicle inspection pass. It must be displayed on your vehicle's dashboard while you are on campus. The inspection pass is not a "parking permit." It only grants your vehicle access to enter the campus. You can only park in designated parking areas. (See campus map.)

Personal Inspections—All visitors should be prepared to submit to a personal inspection prior to entering the campus. These inspections may be conducted with a handheld monitoring device, a metal detector and by visible inspection. Additionally, your personal belongings may be inspected and passed through an x-ray machine.

Firearms, explosives, archery equipment, dangerous weapons, knives with blades over 2 1/2 inches, alcoholic beverages and open containers of alcohol are examples of prohibited items on the NIH campus.

Visitor passes must be prominently displayed at all times while on the NIH campus.



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