Syllabus BIO475  
Spring 2018  
1 credit hour

Special Problems 475 for Calder Ellsworth: Laboratory Experiments using rotavirus infected cell lines

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Course Description: The student project is to learn to sterile tissue culture techniques and to process rotavirus infected and uninfected cell. Pre-requisite: Approval of department chair.

Program Learning Outcomes:  
PLO 1 The student will develop molecular biological skill sets to grow and infect mammalian cell cultures with rotavirus

General Education Core Curriculum Objectives/Outcomes:  
This course is not included in the general education core curriculum.

Student Learning Outcomes:  
After completion of BIO475, The student should have satisfactorily completed the following experiments.  
1. The student will develop molecular biological skills sets to grow mammalian cells and infect them with rotavirus.  
2. The student will demonstrate writing skills to complete a laboratory notebook that clearly dates and details the experiments performed on their projects outlining the scientific methods and design of the original scientific research.  
3. The student will demonstrate the ability to interpret and present their data and clearly draw conclusions from the research project.

Text and Materials:  
There are no formal textbooks for this class. The student will need to utilize literature search engines such as Pubmed. The student may not use websites as sources. The student is encouraged to utilize books that show correct grammar use, bibliography formats, as well as a scientific dictionary.

Course Calendar: The following is a tentative timeline for completion during the Spring2015 semester.  
1. Grow mammalian cells and continue to amplify the cultures using sterile techniques  
2. Extract and Quantify proteins  
3. Data will be placed in graphic forms for presentations and papers.
Grading Policy: After completion of this project, the grade will reflect the level of completion of the above stated PLO and SLO’s. A= Excellent, B= Good, C= Acceptable, F= unacceptable.

Withheld Grades Semester Grades Policy (A-54)
Ordinarilu, at the discretion of the instructor of record and with the approval of the academic chair/director, a grade of WH will be assigned only if the student cannot complete the course work because of unavoidable circumstances. Students must complete the work within one calendar year from the end of the semester in which they receive a WH, or the grade automatically becomes an F. If students register for the same course in future terms the WH will automatically become an F and will be counted as a repeated course for the purpose of computing the grade point average.

Attendance Policy:
No formal grade will be given for attendance. The student will be expected to make a concert effort interact with his/her thesis advisor as much as necessary throughout the semester to successfully complete the project.

Academic Integrity (A-9.1)
Academic integrity is a responsibility of all university faculty and students. Faculty members promote academic integrity in multiple ways including instruction on the components of academic honesty, as well as abiding by university policy on penalties for cheating and plagiarism.

Definition of Academic Dishonesty
Academic dishonesty includes both cheating and plagiarism. Cheating includes but is not limited to (1) using or attempting to use unauthorized materials to aid in achieving a better grade on a component of a class; (2) the falsification or invention of any information, including citations, on an assigned exercise; and/or (3) helping or attempting to help another in an act of cheating or plagiarism. Plagiarism is presenting the words or ideas of another person as if they were your own. Examples of plagiarism are (1) submitting an assignment as if it were one’s own work when, in fact, it is at least partly the work of another; (2) submitting a work that has been purchased or otherwise obtained from an Internet source or another source; and (3) incorporating the words or ideas of an author into one’s paper without giving the author due credit.
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