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Course Description: Written and oral presentation of culmination of research in undergraduate career.

Course Objective: To provide students with a capstone of their research.

Student Learning Outcomes:
The student is expected to be able do the following, upon completion of this course:

- Professional written report
- Professional oral presentation

Honor Justification: This course is for 1 credit and spans 15 weeks. The course requires students to prepare by completing literature search and review of related materials outside of the regularly scheduled upon research time. The students will also use that time to prepare and write their research paper over the research that was performed. During meeting time, students will be actively engaged in practicing oral presentation and by submitting and written report. These activities average at a minimum 3 hours of work each week to prepare outside of time spent engaging with the content.

Text and Materials: Professional Laboratory Notebook

Course Calendar: TBA

Grading Policy:
Oral Presentation – The student will develop and present a professional oral presentation. The presentation will be checked periodically during the semester and is due before Thanksgiving break. The presentation is worth 100 points

Written Report – A professional report of the student’s research is due at the same time as the student’s oral presentation. The summary is worth 100 points.

Method of Evaluation:

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Grading Scale (based on 200 total points possible)
200-179 = A; 178-159 = B; 158-139 = C; 138-119 = D; 119-0 = F
ATTENDANCE POLICY:
Students must attend; one absence will be counted against the students’ overall grade by 5 percent. The second absence will result in a deduction of 10 percent deduction of the students’ overall grade. The third absence will result in an F in the course.

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.

Please read the complete policy at http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/academic_integrity.asp

WITHHELD GRADES SEMESTER GRADES POLICY (A-54):
Ordinarily, 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.

The circumstances precipitating the request must have occurred after the last day in which a student could withdraw from a course. Students requesting a WH must be passing the course with a minimum projected grade of C.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:
To obtain disability related accommodations, alternate formats and/or auxiliary aids, students with disabilities must contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS), Human Services Building, and Room 325, 468-3004 / 468-1004 (TDD) as early as possible in the semester. Once verified, ODS will notify the course instructor and outline the accommodation and/or auxiliary aids to be provided. Failure to request services in a timely manner may delay your accommodations. For additional information, go to http://www.sfasu.edu/disabilityservices/.
Face masks, Covid-19, etc.: 
Masks (cloth face coverings) must be worn over the nose and mouth at all times in this class and appropriate physical distancing must be observed. Students not wearing a mask and/or not observing appropriate physical distancing will be asked to leave the class. All incidents of not wearing a mask and/or not observing appropriate physical distancing will be reported to the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities. Students who are reported for multiple infractions of not wearing a mask and/or not observing appropriate physical distancing may be subject to disciplinary actions. A student running a fever should attend class via Zoom and should NOT attend a face to face class.


Instructor reserves the right to change the syllabus at any time.