Fall 2012 Bio 93 Syllabus

General Information

Meeting Time

Wednesday (E7) 9:00-9:50am
  (E8) 10-10:50am
  (E9) 11-11:50am

Instructor

TA: Daisy Sanchez
Office Hours: TBA
E-mail: daisysds@uci.edu
Email is the best way to contact me, as I usually respond within 12-24 hours. When you email, please use your UCI e-mail address. On nights before the exam, I cannot guarantee email response after 10pm.

Class Websites

https://eee.uci.edu/12f/05287 (discussion website)
https://eee.uci.edu/12f/05240 (Bio 93 course website)

Course Guidelines and Requirements

Goal
The goal of this discussion section is to help you understand the concepts and apply the information you are learning in the Bio 93 lecture course.

Enrollment
Students may only ADD or DROP through WebReg, and you must attend the lecture and discussion section in which you are enrolled. I cannot sign add/drop cards, so any further questions you have regarding enrollment, please contact Carolyn Willman (ccwillma@uci.edu) in BioSci Student Affairs (949-824-4699).

Participation
All students are expected to be active participants in discussion; the more you participate the more you learn!

Attendance and Lateness Policy
Attendance is required but not mandatory. I will not be taking attendance. However, participation is part of your grade, the more discussion sections you attend, the more chances you have to participate and earn full participation credit. NOTE: If you don’t come on a day of an assignment is give or due, you have missed that opportunity to earn some of your points. Late assignments are not accepted, and there will be no make-up assignments.

Be on time! It is important that you arrive to discussion section on time. NOTE: There will be random pop quizzes at the start of class.

What to bring
Discussion section is meant to help you learn the materials covered in lecture. If there is something you don’t understand, then you need to ask me! I am here to help you understand the information in the course, and I welcome any and all questions regarding course material.

**Internet Access**
For discussion, you will need internet access to the discussion website (listed above). I will post in-class assignments and important information on the website, and I expect you to print any items you may need for discussion that week. If you are unable to get internet access at home, please use the computer lab in the library. If you do not come prepared with the necessary worksheets/handouts, you may lose points for the day if I chose to collect the assignment.

**Academic Honesty**
Academic dishonesty can result in a failing grade for the course, and a letter can be placed in your academic file. This course will abide by UCI's policies, which do not allow cheating, dishonest conduct, plagiarism, or collusion. Please see the UCI Academic Senate definitions of these terms:

http://www.editor.uci.edu/catalogue/appx/appx.2.htm#academic

**Cell Phones and laptops.**
Cell phone usage, text messaging and/or IM’ing during class is not allowed. TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONES AND PUT AWAY YOUR LAPTOPS BEFORE CLASS!

**Course Grading**
Discussion is worth 20 points of the total course grade for Bio 93. Points will be distributed as follows:

- **1pt:** Fill out BOTH the mid-quarter and end-of quarter teaching evaluations on EEE
- **15pt:** Pop-quizzes or in-class assignments. There will be six pop-quizzes or surprise collections of in-class assignments throughout the quarter. Each will be worth three points, and your lowest score will be dropped at the end of the quarter. There is not extra credit so even if you complete all 6 quizzes/assignments with perfect scores, the maximum points you can earn will be 15 points.
- **4pt:** Homework assignments. This will either be one larger assignment worth 4 points or two smaller assignments worth 2 points each. These will be assigned to you in class and will be due the following discussion section.