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## **General Syllabus**

## **BIOL 48081 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory**

Credit Hours: 1 Lecture Hours: 0 Laboratory Hours: 3

Prerequisite or corequisite: BIOL 48183 Cell and Molecular Biology

Effective Catalog: 2018~2019

#### I. Course Information

## A. Catalog Description

Exploration of processes used in experimental cell and molecular biology including cell transformation, gene cloning and organelle isolation.

## **II.** Student Learning Outcomes

### A. Subject Matter

The student who completes this course will be able to:

- 1. Conduct cellular and molecular assays including
  - a. Polymerase chain reaction.
  - b. Biochemical assays.
  - c. Electrophoresis.
  - d. Nucleic acid isolation.
  - e. Cellular transformations.
  - f. Plasmid isolations.
  - g. Serological assays.
- 2. Design and conduct scientific experiments regarding cellular and molecular biology.
- 3. Evaluate cellular and molecular procedures and protocols.

# **B.** University Learning Outcomes

### **Analytical Skills**

**Critical Thinking Skills:** Students will use critical thinking skills to identify problems/issues and develop solutions/analysis. Students will calculate percentages and perform statistical analyses of data collected.

## **Communication Skills (written and oral)**

Students will present oral presentations to the class and answer questions pertaining to their research by their audience.

# **Ethical Decision Making**

Students will conduct themselves in an ethical manner and evaluate ethical considerations during discussions of molecular research activities common to the discipline of cell biology.

## **Global and Cultural Perspective**

Students will consider and evaluate procedures and ideas common to cell biology in terms of cultural beliefs.

# III. Major Course Topics-

- A. Chemistry Of The Cell
- B. Macromolecules
- C. Cellular Organization And Organelles
- D. Membranes And Membrane Transport
- E. The Cell Cycle
- F. Gene Expression And Regulation