

Biology 3467A: Evolution and Reproduction Course Outline Fall 2024

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genetic basis of evolutionary aspects of reproduction will also be discussed. A solid understanding

The overall course grade will be calculated as listed below:

Quizzes	40%
Tutorial presentation	20%
Tutorial annotations, attendance, and feedback	15%
Final written assignment	25%

Annotations and the tutorial presentation are <u>MANDATORY</u>. Students must also complete at least 8 (of 12) quizzes. Failure to meet these requirements will result in a

Non-presenters: All students who are not presenting that week are expected to submit one written annotation on the primary research articles that groups will present. Of the two articles being presented that week, students must write an annotation for only one of the two articles (1 annotation per week), and can choose which article they wish to submit an annotation for. Groups who are presenting that week do NOT need to write an annotation that week (see below).

Presenters: The Tuesday <u>prior</u> to the week you present, you must submit an annotation of your assigned article. This will help ensure that all group members have read the article before working on the presentation. That means two annotations will be due the week before you present, but you do not need to write an annotation the week you present.

Attendance and feedback (9%): Students are expected to attend the presentations of other students, engage in the question period with the presenters, score their presentation, and provide meaningful written feedback.

4. Final Written Assignment (25%): This final research paper will be the culmination of what you learn in this course. Rather than focusing on academic writing, this exercise will evaluate your ability to communicate scientific concepts to a general audience, with an emphasis on describing the influences of genetics on evolution and reproduction and citing appropriate sources. Further details can be found on OWL. This assignment will be due December 12th at 11:55PM, but can also be turned in any time after the last day of class and before the due date. No-penalty late period: Life happens. If needed, there is no penalty for turning in the assignment up to 48 hours past the above due date. Note that this no-penalty period is so that students do not have to seek formal accommodation for one or two day illnesses/issues before the due date, and is not added on top of any academic accommodations. Academic Consideration requests may be granted only for extenuating circumstances that started before the deadline and lasted longer than the no-late-penalty period (48 hours). Written assignments submitted past the 48 hour period will be subject to a 15% penalty per day (eg, if the assignment is submitted December 16th, there will be a 30% penalty). Assignments submitted 6 days or more late will be given a score of 0%. Accommodation can extend the due date no later than December 31; students with accommodation beginning before the due date and continuing uninterrupted past December 31 will have their score reweighted onto the other components of the course.

If you need to request Academic Consideration to extend the deadline for the final written assignment, it will require formal supporting documentation/8*n*nBT2 0 612 792 reW*nBT/F3 12 Tf1 0 0 1 68.06

Please also see assignment details above for additional information on absences related to each assignment.

Students must familiarize themselves with the University Policy on Academic Consideration – Undergraduate Students in First Entry Programs posted on the Academic Calendar: https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/academic_consideration_Sep24.pdf

This policy does not apply to requests for Academic Consideration submitted for attempted or completed work, whether online or in person. The policy also does not apply to students experiencing longer-term impacts on their academic responsibilities. These students should consult <u>Accessible</u> Education.

For procedures on how to submit Academic Consideration requests, please see the information posted on the Office of the Registrar's webpage:

https://registrar.uwo.ca/academics/academic_considerations/

All requests for Academic Consideration must be made within 48 hours after the assessment date or submission deadline. All Academic Consideration requests must include supporting documentation; however, recognizing that formal documentation may not be available in some extenuating circumstances, the policy allows students to make one Academic Consideration request **without supporting documentation** in this course. However, the Tutorial Group Presentation and Final Written Assignment are excluded from this, and therefore always require formal supporting documentation:

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