Course Catalog - Spring 2015

Biochemistry

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BIOC 199  Undergraduate Open Seminar  credit: 1 TO 5 hours.
Approved for both letter and S/U grading. May be repeated.

BIOC 290  Individual Topics  credit: 1 TO 5 hours.
Laboratory work and/or reading in fields selected in consultation with an appropriate faculty member. May be repeated in separate
terms to a maximum of 10 hours. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

BIOC 406  Gene Expression  credit: 3 hours.
Same as MCB 406. See MCB 406.

BIOC 440  Physical Chemistry Principles  credit: 4 hours.
Same as CHEM 440. See CHEM 440.

BIOC 445  Current Topics in Biochemistry  credit: 3 hours.
Capstone course of the Biochemistry Specialized Curriculum, designed to expose undergraduate seniors to developing areas of
research in biochemistry. Each year the course will cover 3 to 4 topics of high current research activity, each presented by one
faculty member. Readings will be based on the primary lecture. No graduate credit. Prerequisite: Senior standing in the Biochemistry
Specialized Curriculum; MCB 354 and MCB 406 or consent of instructor.

BIOC 446  Physical Biochemistry  credit: 3 hours.
Physical properties of biological macromolecules, with the emphasis on spectroscopic methods, including UV, visible and FTTR
spectroscopies, magnetic resonance techniques as well as X-ray diffraction methods. Same as CHEM 472 and MCB 446. Prerequisite:
It is strongly recommended to take CHEM 440 (section B) prior to this course. MCB 354 or MCB 450 or equivalent background in
biochemistry is also recommended.

BIOC 455  Technqs Biochem & Biotech  credit: 4 hours.
Introduction to modern methods of experimentation with biochemical experimentation. Lectures and labs on the theory and practices
underlying various methods and instrumentation. Includes protein purification and quantitative analyses, immunoassays, enzymology,
peptide sequencing, lipid analysis, carbohydrate analysis, and bioinformatics. 4 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite:
CHEM 232 or CHEM 236, or equivalent; credit in MCB 251 or equivalent, and MCB 354 or MCB 450 or equivalent, or consent of
instructor.

BIOC 460  Biochemistry Senior Seminar  credit: 3 hours.
Writing intensive course dealing with the technical literature, current issues, and current advances in Biochemistry. Graduate students
may register, but priority will be given to undergraduate students. Prerequisite: Completion of the Campus Composition I general
education requirement; MCB 354 and BIOC 455, or consent of instructor.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for a:
BIOC 492  **Senior Thesis**  credit: 2 TO 6 hours.
Limited in general to seniors in biochemistry. BIOC 492 is recommended for all those who plan to do research and graduate study, and it is a prerequisite for graduation with distinction in biochemistry. Each student who desires to do thesis research must receive written permission from a member of the biochemistry faculty. Accordingly, prospective students are encouraged to contact the biochemistry staff in the term prior to registration in this course. Students must present a thesis to receive credit in this course. Registration of 10 hours over two terms is expected. 2 to 6 undergraduate hours. No graduate credit. Prerequisite: MCB 354 and BIOC 455, or consent of instructor.

BIOC 555  **Anlys Biochemical Literature**  credit: 2 hours.
Same as MCB 555. See MCB 555.

BIOC 590  **Individual Topics**  credit: 1 TO 16 hours.
Designed for students in biochemistry who wish to undertake individual studies of a non-Ph.D. thesis nature under the direction of a faculty member of the department. Approved for S/U grading only. May be repeated. (Summer Session, 1 to 8 hours). Prerequisite: Consent of head of department.

BIOC 595  **Biochemistry Seminar**  credit: 0 TO 1 hours.
Students, faculty, and invited speakers present seminars and discussions on current research topics. Required of all Biochemistry Ph.D. students. Approved for S/U grading only. May be repeated to a maximum of 12 hours. Prerequisite: Graduate standing in Biochemistry.

BIOC 599  **Thesis Research**  credit: 0 TO 16 hours.
Approved for S/U grading only. May be repeated.