

Biology 128: Freshman Experience in Biology, Fall 2019, Militello Section

Biology 128, 1.0 credits
Mondays from 1:30-2:20 PM
ISC 137 (unless otherwise noted)
Prerequisite or corequisites: none

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Course Objective

This course is intended for students considering a major in Biology or Biochemistry. It is meant to engage students in their academic program and the college. The goals of the course are to give students a sense of community, provide help with study skills and introduce students to resources available at the college. This course is designed for freshmen. Other students may be able to enroll if space permits. Graded on S/U basis. Credits: 1(1-0).

Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of the course.....

1. Students will develop a sense of community both within the college and the department by being introduced to faculty, staff and other students.
2. Students will improve their study and computer skills in biology and other sciences.
3. Students will be introduced to the wide variety of resources available at the college.
4. Students will generate a four-year curriculum plan.
5. Students will explore research and career opportunities in Biology and the coursework and experiences needed to be competitive for these activities.
6. Students will learn what constitutes academic dishonesty and investigate SUNY Geneseo's policies on academic dishonesty and plagiarism.

Textbook

There is no required text for this course. Required materials will be available through Canvas. There are no books or resources currently on reserve for this course.

Grading

Students will earn either an S (satisfactory) or U (unsatisfactory). Letters grades will not be given. Students will earn an S if they attend and participate in thirteen or more sessions. However, it is expected that students will participate in all sessions. Students will be awarded a U if attend and participate in less than thirteen sessions. **If a student is late to class, a maximum of only ½ of participation credit will be awarded!**

Students With Disabilities

SUNY Geneseo will make reasonable accommodations for persons with documented physical, emotional or learning disabilities. Students should consult with the Director in the Office of Disability Services (Erwin 22, disabilityservices@geneseo.edu) and their individual faculty (Dr. M.) regarding any needed accommodations as early as possible in the semester.

Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

All students are expected to follow the specific rules of academic honesty and plagiarism for the SUNY Geneseo. Please refer to the 2018-2019 Undergraduate Bulletin for more details (<http://bulletin.geneseo.edu/>).

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Class Dates and Topics

Class topics will be announced the week before the class in order to increase the flexibility of the sessions.