

COURSE INFORMATION SHEET BIOLOGY 497 – Research Project in Biology B

Tentative Course Outline and Schedule for winter semester, 2013.

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Learning Objectives:

- 1. Students will gain a greater understanding of fundamental biological principles
- 2. Student will learn the process of developing and experimental protocol and carrying out the experimental process
- 3. Students will learn the laboratory techniques essential to research in biology.
- 4. Students will design and carry out a research project and be able to present this in written and oral formats

This course is the second course of a 2 semester research project (fall and winter) and will be worth 3 credits. Successful completion of Zoology 495 is required. Using their research proposal (identifying a new research question and describing an experimental protocol) from Zoology 495, experiments will be completed by the student along with a full data analysis and statistical summary. This will then be written up in the form of a research paper that will ultimately be submitted to a recognized biology journal for publication.

Mark DistributionExperimental Work30%Data Analysis20%

Oral Presentation 15% Final Research Paper 35%

Grading Scheme

A+	97-100%		C+	67-69%	
A	93-96%	Excellent	C	63-66%	Satisfactory
A-	89-93%		C-	60-62%	
B+	83-89%		D+	54-59%	
В	77-82%	Good	D	50-53%	Minimal Pass
B-	70-76%		F	Below 50%	Fail