ANS 6933

Graduate Seminar in Animal Science (for Non-thesis MS students)



Spring 2019

Time and place:

Tuesday 11:45 – 12:35 (Period 5) Animal Sciences (Bldg 459) Room 102

Instructor:

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Course description

This course involves preparing and presenting an informative research seminar that demonstrates the speaker's knowledge of the topic, engages the audience, and stimulates discussion.

Overview

The student is expected to

- Develop a 30 minute scientific seminar in the area of animal science
- · Actively participate in class
- Critically evaluate presentation skills, content, and quality

Requirements

This section (027B/10621) of ANS 6933 is open to all **non-thesis** graduate students in the Department of Animal Sciences.

Evaluation and grading

Final grade:

- 70% determined by instructor, evaluated subjectively
 - o includes seminar (content and presentation), as well as daily preparedness, inclass participation, attendance, assignments
- 30% determined by peer evaluation of seminar
- Final grade may be adjusted due to unexcused absences (see below)

Participation is required. Consulting with the instructor prior to absence is mandatory (if possible). Excused absences include: absence for a university approved field trip or activity (must be cleared one week in advance); absence for a death or serious illness in the immediate family (verification required); absence resulting from personal illness (verification required). All other absences will result in a 0.5 letter grade reduction in the final course grade. Policy for attendance and make-up work in the course is consistent with university policies that can be found at: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

Grades will be assigned as follows: (no minus grades will be used)

A 90 - 100 B+ 85 - 89.9 B 80 - 84.9 C+ 75 - 79.9 C 70 - 74.9 D 60 - 69.9 E < 60

For information on current UF policies for assigning grade points, see: http://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Course website on Canvas

The canvas website will contain the syllabus and resources, such as readings, lessons, and seminar score sheet. Email communications will be sent via the course website.

Class schedule

The first meeting will be used to determine topics and presentation schedule for students. A final schedule will be on the course website once finalized.

Date	Name	Topic
Jan 8		
Jan 15		
Jan 22		
Jan 29		
Feb 5		
Feb 12		
Feb 19		
Feb 26		
Mar 5		Spring break
Mar 12		
Mar 19		
Mar 26		
Apr 2		
Apr 9		
Apr 16		
Apr 23		

Online course evaluation process

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu. Evaluations are typically open during the last 2-3 weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/.

Student Complaint Process

In the event that a student wishes to file a complaint about the course, the student should access the following website for the appropriate instructions and documents:

Residential Course: https://www.dso.ufl.edu/documents/UF Complaints policy.pdf

Academic honesty & The Honor Code

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge, which states:

"We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity." You are expected to exhibit behavior consistent with this commitment to the UF academic community, and on all work submitted for credit at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment."

It is assumed that you will complete all work independently in each course unless the instructor provides explicit permission for you to collaborate on your course tasks (e.g. assignments, papers, quizzes, exams). Furthermore, as part of your obligation to uphold the Honor Code, you should report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. It is your individual responsibility to know and comply with all university policies and procedures regarding academic integrity and the Student Honor Code. Violations of the Honor Code at the University of Florida will not be tolerated. Violations will be reported to the Dean of Students Office for consideration of disciplinary action. For more information regarding Student Honor Code, please see:

http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/

Software use

All faculty, staff, and students of the university are required and expected to obey laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against university policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate.

Services for students with disabilities

The Disability Resource Center coordinates the needed accommodations of students with disabilities. This includes registering disabilities, recommending academic accommodations within the classroom, accessing special adaptive computer equipment, providing interpretation services and mediating faculty-student disability related issues. Students requesting classroom

accommodations should first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Dean of Students Office - Disability Resource Center, 0020 Reid Hall, 352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/

Campus helping resources

Students experiencing crises or personal problems that interfere with their general well-being are encouraged to utilize the university counseling resources. The Counseling & Wellness Center provides confidential counseling services at no cost for currently enrolled students. Resources are available on campus for students having personal problems or lacking career or academic goals which interfere with their academic performance.

University Counseling & Wellness Center

190 Radio Rd. 352-392-1575 www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc

Counseling Services Groups & Workshops Outreach & Consultation Self-Help Library Wellness Coaching Includes (but not limited to):
Alcohol & Substance Abuse
Sexual Assault Abuse Recovery &
Education
Eating Disorders Program
Suicide Prevention Program
Anxiety & Stress
Depression
Trauma & Loss

Career Resource Center

1st Floor, JWRU- J.Wayne Reitz Union, 352-392-1601 www.crc.ufl.edu