GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE

BIOLOGY 0130

COURSE OUTLINE

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Office hours: As posted on my office door, or by appointment.

Textbook: Krogh, Biology A Guide to a Natural World, second edition

Supplies: binder, lined paper, unlined white paper, pencil, calculator, stapler, lab

coat (optional)

Class Schedule: M F 10:00am -11:20 am

TR 10:00am -10:50am

Lab Time:

Course Intent: This course is designed to be equivalent to the Alberta Learning Biology

30 curriculum, and is listed as such in the Alberta Transfer Guide. You may choose to use this course toward a Grande Prairie Regional College High School Equivalency Diploma, however, it may not be used toward the Alberta Learning High School diploma. All colleges and universities within the Province of Alberta recognize this course in lieu of Biology 30. Modifications have been made to the content to adjust for adult learners

and for a shorter semester.

Course Goals: The BI0130 course has been designed to provide you with an

understanding of biological concepts, principles, and social issues. The program of studies has biology lab and computer lab components to help build your skills in the use of scientific equipment and computers. The course has several themes: homeostasis within the human body, human

reproduction, genetics, and homeostasis within the environment.

Attendance:

Regular attendance is required and is essential for passing the course. If you must be absent, please contact me for assistance in acquiring missed material. Please be on time for class. When you are late, you disturb the rest of the class and you miss valuable information presented at the beginning of each class. If you are late for a lab, you might not be permitted to do the lab as important safety concerns are always addressed at the beginning of each lab period. If you miss a lab, you will not have the opportunity for a make-up lab. You automatically receive a grade of 0 for that lab.

Quizzes

There are several quizzes throughout the term. No make – up quizzes will be offered.

Tests:

At the end of each unit is a unit test. If you are absent from a test, the instructor, at her discretion will determine if she will offer you a **different** test at an alternate time. To be considered for this privilege, you **must** contact the instructor on the day of the scheduled test to explain your absence. You may be required to provide a doctor's certificate. If you are allowed a different test, this test must be written **within one week** of the original missed test.

Exams:

A **midterm exam** will be written at the end of Unit 2. It will cover the materials discussed in Units 1 & 2. A **final exam** will be scheduled during the final exam time. It will cover the material discussed in Units 3 and 4. If you are absent from an exam, you **MUST** provide a doctor's certificate that explains your absence for that particular time. Only then will an alternate time be scheduled for you to write a **different** exam.

Assignments and Lab Reports:

Assignments and lab reports are due on the dates announced in class. Assignments and lab reports are due at the **beginning of the class**. On most occasions you will have one week from the time a lab was performed in the lab and its due date. A **penalty of 10%** per day will be imposed for late submissions. Once a set of labs or assignments has been returned to students, you will not be permitted to submit your late work for grading. If you miss a lab, you will not be able to make it up, as most labs require group work. Your assignments and lab reports **must be your own work**. That is, I do not want to see identical sentences, diagrams etc. **Students who submit work that is not their own will be penalized according to the College Policy on Cheating and Plagiarism**.

Evaluation:

Tests	40%
Quizzes	5%
Labs	10%
Assignments	5%
Midterm	20%
Final	20%

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Tests: There are 4 unit tests. Each unit test is worth 10%

Quizzes: There are several quizzes. Mark is calculated using your raw scores.

Labs: All labs are weighted equally.

Assignments: Your assignment grade will be calculated using your raw scores.

Please review Grande Prairie Regional College's calendar which outlines student rights and responsibilities.

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