Grande Prairie Regional College Biology 0120 Course Outline

Instructor:

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Office hours:

As posted on my office door, or by appointment

Textbook:

Krogh, Biology A Guide to the Natural World, second edition

Supplies:

binder, lined paper, unlined white paper, pencil, stapler, metric

ruler, calculator, lab coat (optional)

Course Schedule:

MTWF 8:30 am - 9:20am

R 8:00am - 9:50am

Course Intent:

This course is designed to be equivalent to the Alberta Learning Biology 20 curriculum, and is listed as such in the Alberta Transfer Guide. All colleges and universities within the Province of Alberta recognize this course in lieu of Biology 20. Modifications have been made to the content to adjust for adult learners and for a

shorter semester.

Course Goals:

The BI0120 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 two themes: the flow of energy and the recycling of matter. Ecology, and human anatomy

and physiology of selected systems are explored,

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, it is unlikely you will have the

opportunity for a make-up lab.

Quizzes and Tests:

There are several quizzes throughout the term. No make-up quizzes will be available. Also, there are tests scheduled after each unit for a total of four tests. Tests are not cumulative. An absence from a test requires a doctor's certificate to qualify for a different writing date. If you know you will be missing a test, please contact me.

Assignments and Lab Reports:

Lab reports and assignments 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. Even though you may work together, your papers, 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	60%
Quizzes	10%
	15%
Assignments	10%
Plato	5%

If your mark is borderline between two 9-point grades, factors such as attendance, class participation, and punctuality of submitting work will be considered.

Tests: There are 4 unit tests. All unit tests are weighted equally

Quizzes: There are 3 or 4 quizzes. Mark is based upon raw score.

Labs: All labs are weighted equally.

Assignments: Raw scores will be used to determine your assignment grade.

PLATO: There are 13 Plato modules identified. You will master 10 of the 13 modules to get full marks for this section

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