

Philadelphia University Faculty of Science Department of Biotechnology & Genetic Engineering Fall semester, 2009/2010

Course Syllabus

Course Title: Practical General Biology 2	Course code: 240108
Course Level: 1	Course prerequisite (s) and/or corequisite (s): Practical General Biology 1 (240107)
Lecture Time: Tues. 09:10 – 12:00 Wed. 8:15 – 11:00	Credit hours: 1 Hour

Academic Staff Specifics

Name	Rank	Office No. & Location	Office Hours
Maha Qadan	Lecturer	S-1016	Sun. & Tues. 11:00 – 12:00 Mon. & Wed. 11:00 – 02:00

Course module description:

This course focuses on the following: plant and animal tissues, plant organs, animal organs and anatomy.

Course module objectives:

To acquire the basic biological concepts in the plant and animal tissues, plants organs, animal organs and anatomy.

Course/ module components:

• Books (title, author(s), publisher, year of publication)

Title: Biology

Author(s)/Editor(s): Campbell and Reece

Publisher: Benjamin Cummings.

Year: 2008 Edition: 8th ed.

• Support material (s) (vcs, acs, etc).

- Study guide (s) (if applicable)
- Homework and laboratory guide (s) if (applicable).

Teaching methods:

- Lectures, discussion groups, tutorials, problem solving, debates, etc.
- The use of microscopical slides, illustration with models, educational animations and movies.
- The use of the free website provided by the publisher over the internet.

Learning outcomes:

- Knowledge and understanding
 - At the end of this module, students will be able to gain knowledge about:
- the various fundamental biological concepts
- the functional relationships at all levels of organization in animal and plant bodies
- the anatomy of the various organs and systems of plants and animals
- Cognitive skills (thinking and analysis).
 - At the end of this module, students will be able to develop their intellectual skills through understanding the concepts of biology and formulating questions and thinking of the appropriate answers to their questions.
- Communication skills (personal and academic).
 - At the end of this module, students will be able to develop personal communication skills through participating in open-discussions with their colleagues and instructors.
- Practical and subject specific skills (Transferable Skills).
 - At the end of this module, students will be able to:
- improve their ability to search for information using various communication settings.
- improve their ability to analyze data based on their understanding to the basic biological concepts.
- benefit from all supplementary material provided with the textbook

Assessment instruments

- Short reports and/ or presentations, and/ or Short research projects
- Quizzes.
- Home works
- Final examination: 50 marks

Allocation of Marks		
Assessment Instruments	Mark	
Mid-Term Exam	30	
Final examination:	50	
Reports, research projects, Quizzes, Home works, Projects	20	
Total	100	

Documentation and academic honesty

- Documentation style (with illustrative examples)
- Protection by copyright
- Avoiding plagiarism.

Expected workload:

On average students need to spend 2 hours of study and preparation for each laboratory (i.e. 3 hours lab).

Attendance policy:

Absence from lectures and/or tutorials shall not exceed 15%. Students who exceed the 15% limit without a medical or emergency excuse acceptable to and approved by the Dean of the relevant college/faculty shall not be allowed to take the final examination and shall receive a mark of zero for the course. If the excuse is approved by the Dean, the student shall be considered to have withdrawn from the course.

Course/module academic calendar

Week No.	Lab No.	Topic
1	1	Plant Diversity (1)
		 Non-vascular plants Hepatophytes (e.g. Marchantia) Vascular plants (Seedless vascular plants) Pterophytes (e.g. Ferns)
2	2	• Plant Diversity (2)
		 3. Vascular plants (Seed plants) Gymnosperms (e.g. Pinus) Angiosperms: Dicot plants: Morphology of leaves, seeds, flowers, and roots. Monocot plants: Morphology of leaves, seeds, flowers, and roots.
3	3	Plant Anatomy
		Plant tissues (Sections and Models): 1. Stem (Dicot and Monocot) 2. Root (Dicot and Monocot) 3. Leaf (Dicot and Monocot) 4. Woody stem
4	4	Plant Physiology
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5	5	The Prokaryotes
		1. Bacteria - Airmicroflora - Morphology - Microscopy - Simple staining 2. Cyanobacteria - Oscillatoria - Gleocapsa
6	6	Kingdom Protista
		 The Euglenozoa Phylum Euglenophyta Phylum Kinetoplastids The Alveolata Phylum Ciliophora (Ciliates) Phylum Apicomplexa The Amoebozoa Phylum Entamoeba The Stramenoplia Phylum Bacillariophyta Phylum Phaeophyta The Chlorophyta (The green algae) Chlamydomonas Volvox Spirogyra The Rhodophyta Phylum Rhodophyta
7	7	Mid-Term Exam
8	8	Kingdom Fungi
		 Phylum Chytridiomycota (Chytridion) Phylum Zygomycota (Bread mold) Phylum Ascomycota (Sac fungi) Phylum Basidiomycota (Club fungi)

9	9	The Invertebrates
		1. Acoelomate (Sections and Specimens) - Planaria - Taenia
		2. Pseudocoelomate (Sections and Specimens) - Ascaris
		3. Coelomate (Sections and Specimens) - Earthworm
10	10	The Vertebrates
		Rat Anatomy1. External anatomy
		2. Internal anatomy
		Muscular systemDigestive system
		Respiratory systemUrinogenital system
		Anatomy of the sheep heart (Model and Specimen)
11	11	Animal Tissues (1)
		1. Epithelial tissue
		2. Connective tissue - Blood
		- Cartilage - Bone
12	12	Animal Tissues (2)
		3. Muscle tissue - Skeletal muscle - Smooth muscle - Cardiac muscle
		4. Nervous tissue

13	13	Animal Development
		Slides and Models Different Embryonic stages
14	14	Final Exam

Module references

- * Books
- 1. N.A. Campbell & J.B. Reece (2008). Biology 8th ed. Benjamin Cummings.
- * Journals
- * Websites

Website: www.campbellbiology.com

(Use your own access code provided with the textbook)