

# BIOLOGY 365 Animal Physiology Course Outline

Fall 2023 A01

Department of Biology, University of Victoria

## Course Description:

The course will cover fundamentals of animal physiology, including: principles of cellular signaling, endocrinology, neuronal function and nervous system organization, cellular movement and muscle contraction, circulation, respiration, digestion, salt/water balance and renal function.

Laboratory exercises will provide the opportunity to gain experiential learning for the study of physiological processes.

## Course instructor and coordinator:

Dr. Raad Nashmi

## Contact information:

[raad@uvic.ca](mailto:raad@uvic.ca) "BIOL 365" in the subject line

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**Time and Place:** Sept 6 – Dec 4, 2023; Tues, Wed, Fri 10:30am – 11:20am;  
Hickman Building (HHB) room 105

**Office hours for Dr. Nashmi:** by appointment

## Text book (required):

Moyes, Christopher D and Schulte, Patricia M (2015) Principles of Animal Physiology. 3rd edition. Pearson / Benjamin Cummings, San Francisco. Note that the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition is also acceptable

## Course material:

Material such as course outline, class schedule, exam results and presentation lecture notes will be available on Brightspace (<http://bright.uvic.ca/> with your Netlink ID and password). Note that there will be no recorded lectures available.

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**Prerequisites:** All students in Biology 365 must have taken BIOL 184 and 186, or 190B; and 225; and BIOC 299 or 300B or 300A as a pre- or co-requisite.

**Labs:** You must attend the lab section in which you are registered during the week of Sept. 11. Wait-listed students may attend which ever lab section is convenient during that week, but the final assignment of a lab section is at the discretion of Kimberley Curry, the lab coordinator. Contact Kimberley Curry for any general lab concerns.

**Senior Lab instructor:**

Kimberley Curry (office: CUNN 110, phone: 250-721-7136, email: cellbiol@uvic.ca)  
office hours: by appointment

**Laboratory safety:** You must follow all safety regulations as specified by your lab instructor.

**Evaluation:**

Lectures 60%

First midterm exam 15% (tentatively October 10, 2023)

Second midterm exam 15% (tentatively November 8, 2023)

Final exam 30% (scheduled by Records)

Labs 40%

**Completion Requirements:**

You must successfully pass BOTH the laboratory and the lecture components of the course to earn a passing grade. Furthermore, for the lecture component, you must write the first midterm, second midterm and final exam to fulfill the requirements of the course. If for some reason, a student only writes one of the two midterms then the breakdown of marks for that student will be 20% midterm and 40% final exam.

**Midterms and final exam will be done face-to face for all students.**

**Note: Sept 23 is the last day for adding courses in the first term and Oct 31 is the last day for withdrawing from first-term courses without penalty of failure.**

**Midterms and Final Exam:**

Exams will be based on information covered in lectures and may include questions that overlap with material covered in the lab. Students are responsible for any material discussed in class, drawn on board, etc, that may not be in the textbook. Hence, attendance in class is strongly recommended. The final exam will be cumulative.

If you miss a midterm test for a valid reason (illness, accident, family affliction, or sporting commitments as a UVic athlete), please contact the instructor as soon as possible (no later than 48 hrs from the date of the exam) to determine whether a make-up midterm exam is possible. No documentation is required for illness but you will be expected to provide suitable documentation for any other reasons.

The final exam can be deferred in cases of illness, accident, family affliction, or sporting commitments as a UVic athlete. If you miss or expect to miss the final exam for any of these reasons, please notify the instructor. No documentation required for illness but supporting documentation is required for other mentioned reasons. You must also fill out a Request for Academic Concession form, available from the Records office, as soon as possible in order to have your request for deferral considered. Travel plans are not a valid reason for missing the midterm test or the final exam.

*No supplemental final exam will be given in this course as per Biology Dept. policy.*

**Grading:** The final grade for the course will be submitted as a percentage grade (rounded to the nearest whole percent by our spreadsheet program).

Please do not ask us to raise your grade, and please do not ask us for extra-credit work to raise your grade; no such work is available.

**Academic regulations and policies:**

Please read the appropriate section of the current UVic Academic Calendar regarding your rights and obligations. In particular, students are to take note of the ADD/DROP dates published in the Calendar and posted on the Undergraduate Records website. **Students must not assume they will be dropped automatically from any course they do not attend.**

**UVic's Policy on Academic Integrity:**

Students are encouraged to read the University's policy on academic integrity:

[https://www.uvic.ca/calendar/undergrad/index.php#/policy/Sk\\_0xsM\\_V](https://www.uvic.ca/calendar/undergrad/index.php#/policy/Sk_0xsM_V)

We reserve the right to use plagiarism detection software or other platforms to assess the integrity of student work.

**Student conduct:**

The University of Victoria is committed to promoting critical academic discourse while providing a respectful and supportive learning environment. All members of the university community have the right to this experience and the responsibility to help create such an environment. The University will not tolerate racism, sexualized violence, or any form of discrimination, bullying or harassment. Please be advised that, by logging into UVic's learning systems or interacting with online resources, and course-related communication platforms, you are engaging in a university activity. All interactions within this environment are subject to the university expectations and policies.



*We acknowledge and respect the lək̓ʷəŋən peoples on whose traditional territory the university stands and the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSÁNEĆ peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.*