

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE

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BIOLOGY 0130

COURSE OUTLINE

- Instructor:** Nancy Campbell
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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
T R 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, 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 offered. 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:

Papers, 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 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%
Labs.....	10%
Assignments.....	10%
Papers.....	10%

If your mark is borderline, that is, 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. Each unit test is worth 15%

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

Labs: All labs are weighted equally.

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

Papers: You will write two papers; each is worth 5 %.

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