

CSBL 5074: Introduction to Research
Fall 2017

CLASS DAYS and TIME: August 23-December 13, every Wednesday (1:00pm-2:00pm)

CLASSROOM: ALTC 2.202

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

In this course students will have the opportunity to learn of the research programs in the department of Cellular and structural Biology. This course will not only introduce students to the research strategies, but also inform them of opportunities for rotation/thesis.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

By the end of this course, students should be able to:

1. Have the fundamental knowledge of research strategies and thinking;
2. Identify their most interesting research areas;
3. Find a proper lab for rotation/thesis.

COURSE ORGANIZATION/ FORMAT:

45mins lectures plus 15mins discussion.

This course invites over 16 faculty to give students a 45mins talk about their own research in each week. Students are highly encouraged to participate the discussion after the lecture.

CREDITS:

0.5 unit

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is required for all meeting times. If illness or an emergency situation arises, the student must contact the Course Director as soon as possible. Unexcused absences and excused absences should be discussed between the student and the Course Director, and a written request is required in advance of any absence and all written requests must include the date of the absence and the details regarding the circumstances of the absence. Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner respectful of both faculty and fellow students in the classroom. Students should be punctual, as class will begin promptly at the scheduled start time.

TEXTBOOKS

Required: There are no required textbooks for this course.

GRADING POLICIES AND EXAMINATION PROCEDURES

The semester grade will consist of points accumulated from class attendance and discussion.

1. Attendance: (70% of final course grade)
2. Class Participation (30% of the final grade):
 - No comments/questions in a given class session = 0%
 - One comment/question in a given class session = 70%
 - Multiple comments/questions in a given class session = 100%

Final Grade Policy: Grades will be assigned as follows: Satisfactory (S) (70-100%) or Unsatisfactory (U) (<70%). It is the prerogative of the course director to determine if grades of Honors (H), Incomplete (I), or in Progress (IP) are warranted.

REQUESTS FOR ACCOMODATIONS FOR DISABILITIES

In accordance with policy 4.2.3, **Request for Accommodation Under the ADA and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA)**, any student requesting accommodation must submit the appropriate request for accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA, form 100) to his/her appropriate Associate Dean of their School and a copy to the ADA Coordinator. Additional information may be obtained at <http://uthscsa.edu/eoo/request.asp>.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PROFESSIONALISM

Any student who commits an act of academic dishonesty is subject to discipline as prescribed by the UT System Rules and Regulations of the Board of Regents. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an exam for another person, signing attendance sheets for another student, and any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such an act. Additional information may be obtained at <http://catalog.uthscsa.edu/generalinformation/generalacademicpolicies/academicdishonestypolicy/>

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In an emergency, victims of sexual abuse should call 911. For non-emergencies, they may contact UPD at 210-567-2800. Additional information may be obtained at <http://students.uthscsa.edu/titleix/>

CLASS SCHEDULE
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Week (N)	Date (M/D)	Topic	Instructor	Contact
Week1	8/23/17	Introduction	Yidong Bai, Ph.D.	Baiy@uthscsa.edu
Week2	8/30/17	TBD		
Week3	9/06/17	TBD		
Week4	9/13/17	TBD		
Week5	9/20/17	TBD		
Week6	9/27/17	TBD		
Week7	10/4/17	TBD		
Week8	10/11/17	TBD		
Week9	10/18/17	TBD		
Week10	10/25/17	TBD		
Week11	11/1/17	TBD		
Week12	11/8/17	TBD		
Week13	11/15/17	TBD		
Week14	11/22/17	TBD		
Week15	11/29/17	TBD		
Week16	12/6/17	TBD		
Week17	12/13/17	TBD		