IBMS 6090 – 2BA
Seminar

Fall 2020

**Class Days and Times:** weekly Wed 4:00-5:30

**Classroom:** Virtual (Go to Meeting, Skype) for Fall 2020 unless otherwise noted. If changes in UTHSCSA meeting policy, seminars will meet in Rm 309L Med unless otherwise noted

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**Course description and objectives:**
This course is required of all students in the IBMS program, except for those who have signed up for Final Hours. Students are required to attend a minimum of 16 seminars per semester and to complete a requirement to demonstrate their attendance and participation. This seminar series constitutes the Barshop Institute/Pepper Center Aging seminar series and includes speakers with expertise in the basic biology of aging as well as translational approaches to improve healthy aging.

Through attendance to this seminar, students will 1) learn and discuss various research areas focused on aging and age-related disease, 2) promote interactions with internationally-recognized experts in the field, 3) increase their opportunities for networking and career development.

**Pre-requisites:** graduate student standing

**Semester credit hours:** 1.5

**Attendance:** Students are required to attend all scheduled seminars over the semester. To fulfill the minimum number of seminars, students may include seminars offered by disciplines other than their own in which they are enrolled. However, students should obtain approval from the course co-director of their individual discipline. Students will contact the course director if they missed or are unable to attend a seminar (sick; scientific travel/meeting) and the course director can make the allowance or not.

**Grading system:** Grading will be Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory and based on attendance and submission of evaluation forms to course director.

**Course guidelines, grading policies and examination procedures:**
Attendance is recorded through submission of evaluation forms (provided by director) for each seminar. Evaluations should present some level of critical thinking regarding the seminar. Evaluation forms will be emailed to course director no later than the Fri following seminar.

Students are required to keep track of their own attendance by maintaining a personal record of evaluation forms.

Seminar series is scheduled from 4 – 530. Students are expected to be present virtually through the duration of seminar and question/answer period. **Students are also expected to participate in question and answer period to promote interaction with speakers.**
Cell phone and computer use should be kept to a minimum during the seminar series. These seminars are for your benefit.

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