CSAT 6060
ANATOMICAL SCIENCES THESIS
Fall 2020 and Spring 2021

CLASS DAYS and TIME: By arrangement

CLASSROOM: None

COURSE FACULTY: Dr. Rekha Kar (director) and any faculty serving as supervising professor

OFFICE LOCATION and HOURS: 1.275S, by appointment

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

Designed as an alternative to a "bench research"- based thesis, this longitudinal course for the Anatomical Sciences track in the Masters Program will culminate in the production of a thesis ideally suitable for adaption as a scholarly publication in a peer-reviewed journal. The thesis should focus on assessment of an unanswered and important question on a relevant and approved subject, involve in-depth research and demonstrate critical thinking on the part of the student. A student in the Anatomical Sciences Track will meet with the Course Director during the spring semester of his/her first year in the program to begin to identify a research area and specific topic(s) for his/her thesis proposal. Areas of focus include (but are not limited to) the following: 1) Clinical Anatomy - anatomy related to medical procedures and/or training of health professionals; 2) Anatomical Variations - comparative research utilizing human cadavers in the gross anatomy laboratories or comparative research in animal models; 3) Anatomical Sciences Education - education research on anatomy teaching methods and approaches to teaching anatomy to health professions students; 4) History of Anatomy - research on the development of human anatomical studies, comparative anatomy concepts, anatomy education, or involving other applications of the humanities to anatomical sciences (e.g. medical illustration, literature, music); 5) Human and rodent micro-anatomy /histology; or 6) Anatomical aspects of a biomedical research endeavor.

Pre-requisites – Admission to candidacy for Master of Anatomical Science Degree

Semester credit hours – 1-8 hours (credit to be arranged)

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

• Orally present and defend a thesis project.
• Write a thesis.
• Write a manuscript(s) meeting the format and content specifications of a peer-reviewed journal of the appropriate discipline.

COURSE ORGANIZATION

The main teaching modalities used in this course include:
1) Independent study (including bench research, literature review, education research)  
2) Faculty-student meetings  
3) Public defense: Rehearsal and presentation

Materials – None

Computer Access – Any personal computer

Reading Assignments – As determined by the supervising professor

ATTENDANCE
The supervising professor will determine working hours (bench research, conduction of surveys, lab meetings), and the student and supervising professor should keep scheduled appointments. Advanced notice is required for changes.

TEXTBOOKS Required: None Recommended: None

GRADING POLICIES AND EXAMINATION PROCEDURES
The grade will be determined by the supervising professor in consultation with the student’s supervising committee.

Grading System

Available grades are: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

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N/A

**USE OF RECORDING DEVICES**

N/A

**ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

N/A

Class schedule is N/A