



Graduate Seminar

BENG 6510 / 7510 Graduate Seminar, T 12-1 ENGR 406

Credits: 1

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Office hours: By appointment

Textbook: none

Prerequisites: Graduate student in Biological Engineering

Introduce incoming graduate students to the current biological engineering research and applications in academia and industry. Speakers will include current graduate students in the department, external speakers from other departments and from industry, and YOU!

Who should take this course: Graduate students who are interested in biological engineering research of all flavors.

IDEA Learning Objectives

8. Developing Skill in Expressing Myself Orally or in Writing

Grading

- Presentation (10%)
- Summaries from visitors (3 total) (15%)
- Attendance, evaluations, participation (75%)
 - Arriving on time, contributing to class discussion, being a good class citizen

Grading (generally fit the following pattern) **A** 100-93%, **A-** to 90%, **B+** to 87%, **B** to 83%, **B-** to 80%, **C+** to 75%, **C** to 70%, **C-** to 65%, **D** to 50%, **F** below 50%

Course policies: Laptops may be used to take notes, search for topics, etc. pertaining to class (no emailing, chatting, disrupting the class, etc.). Treat the instructor / invited speakers / student presenters as you would want to be treated if you were lecturing.

Ethical conduct / Cheating policy: Students are expected to abide by the rules of conduct expected of university students. All forms of cheating are absolutely prohibited. Anyone caught cheating will receive negative points equal in magnitude to the possible points on the assignment. Repeat offenses will result in an automatic F for the class.

Add policy: The last day to add this class is September 21, 2015. Attending this class beyond that date without being officially registered will not be approved by the Dean's Office. Students must be officially registered for this course. No assignments will be graded for students whose names do not appear on the class list

Drop policy: September 21, 2015 is the last day to drop without notation on transcript. November 2, 2015 is the last day to withdraw with W on transcript.

Disabilities: If a student has a disability that will likely require some accommodation by the instructor, the student must contact the instructor and document the disability through the Disability Resource Center, preferably during the first week of the course. Any requests for special considerations relating to attendance, pedagogy, etc. must be discussed with and approved by the instructor. In cooperation with the Disability Resource Center, course materials can be provided in alternative formats, e.g. large print, audio, diskette, or Braille.

Tentative Course Schedule (subject to change—check Canvas Calendar)

Date	Presenter
9/1	Overview, Presentation Tips, Survey
9/8	Anna, Jay
9/15	Tom, Michaela
9/22	Dolly Casper, PhD
9/29	Qifei, TBD
10/6	Richard, TBD
10/13	TBD – nanoUtah conference?
10/20	Ozkan, Han
10/27	Gerald (Dusti) McEwen, PhD
11/3	Angela, Hossein
11/10	Allan Guymon, PhD
11/17	Cindy, Randy
<i>11/24</i>	<i>Class Presentations (3)</i>
<i>12/1</i>	<i>Class Presentations (3)</i>
<i>12/8</i>	<i>Class Presentations (3)</i>