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Online Course Information Form

Course Number: BIOL1013

Course Title: The Biological Sciences

Course Description: A morphological, physiological, and taxonomic survey of the plant and animal kingdoms with emphasis on basic biological principles.

Instructor: Susan Johnson, Laura Camp

Instructor Bio:

Laura Camp lives in Magnolia, AR. She holds a B.S. degree from Oklahoma State University and an M.S. degree from Louisiana State University.

Prerequisite: Appropriate ACT or equivalent score on alternate test, CO0133 and CO0223

Textbook Title: Essential Biology. Campbell. 4th ed. Pearson Benjamin Cummings. ISBN 978-0-321-65289-8.

Learning Outcomes:

Students will read textbook and other materials and do assignments through the online course.

- The student will demonstrate by scoring 60% or above on examinations, an understanding of basic biological concepts.
- The student will demonstrate by scoring 60% or above on examinations, an understanding of basic laboratory practices.

Teaching Methodology, including description of interaction between student and instructor:

Course Contents: This section contains links to additional pages where you will access the Unit Learning Guides, Study Guides and Content pages. The Learning Guides will reveal a textbook reading from your textbook. The Study Guides will list questions to answer. The content outlines the chapter you are studying.

The companion website link takes you to the website made for your book. Go here for the Chapter quiz, study tips and practice tools. Click on the link http://higher.ed.mcgraw-hill.com/sites/0072421975/student_view0/index.html and go to the student center. Once you have entered the site the left hand panel will show the book's specific content (i.e. chapter quiz, e-Learning tools and objectives). These materials are supplemental and not required, but may be helpful to you in this course. Click on the content of interest and you will then have to register if you haven't already. First-timers must enter the registration passcodes provided on the card that came with your new textbook. If you have already registered, just enter your username and password you created during registration to gain access.

Assignments: The assignments are in the section with the Learning Guides. Your assignments consist of 17 study guides/chapter reviews. Each assignment is worth 12 points each for a total of 204 points. You should write a fully developed answer to the questions. You do not have to rewrite the questions, just the answers. Title each Study Guide answers by unit, lesson, and chapter number when submitting them by e-mail attachment, using the course e-mail system. Do not e-mail study guides until you have completed the entire unit, doing so will result in a loss of points.

Discussion: In this section, you will respond to a variety of suggested items for discussion and comment on other students' responses. You may also post questions to other students. Check this location each time you enter the course. If it is highlighted with a green "splash," there is information you have not read.

Methods of Testing: Five unit exams and a proctored comprehensive final. All exams are delivered via Blackboard

Enrollment Procedures:

Non-degree seeking students applying for admission to SAU Tech must submit an application for admission, appropriate placement test scores or, if applicable, official college transcript(s) with proof of Composition I and Intermediate Algebra (having earned a letter grade of "C" or better).

Full-time degree seeking students and part-time degree seeking students applying for financial aid applying for admission to SAU Tech must submit an application for admission, appropriate placement test scores, immunization record (if born after 01/01/1957), high school transcript or GED scores, and official college transcript(s), if applicable. (Note: Part-time students not applying for financial aid do not have to submit immunization record.)

Students are responsible for all tuition and fees at the time of registration. Students must officially drop by written notice or in person in order to reduce their balance owed. If students never attend class, he/she will still be assessed partial tuition and full student processing fees, unless completely he/she completely withdraws during the 100% refund period.

In order for a student to drop a class, he/she must complete a drop form or send written request to his/her advisor. A \$10 add/drop fee is assessed for adds/drops that take place after classes start.

Special Attendance Requirements (student contact with instructor, proctored examinations, etc.):

The final exam must be taken at an approved proctor site. Visit the college web site at http://www.sautech.edu/web_based_learning/policies/proc_sites.pdf for more detailed information.

Access to Learning Resources:

Students will receive all required discussion materials through the Internet, links to texts, and the electronic mail with Blackboard. Students will be required to purchase the course textbook, if applicable, and Learning Resource Center access is encouraged but not required to be successful. Textbooks can be ordered online. The Bookstore number is (870) 574-4510. The Library number is (870) 574-4518.

Other Considerations (writing ability, assignments/projects, time considerations, etc.):

Students will need Internet access, MS Word, Adobe Acrobat Reader, and the ability to receive and send e-mail attachments.