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Biology 497 Senior Honors – Fall 2013

This class is designed to help you conduct your Honors and Senior Exercise successfully, as well as to discuss the projects of your peers. Our key aims are:

- **Complete experiments and Senior Exercise.** Approximately 12 hours per week.
- **Develop scientific writing style.** We will analyze each other's writing in class.
- **Begin the Honors thesis.** Complete Introduction and Methods sections.

Date - Room	Honors Class & Senior Exercise	Email/Moodle 11:59pm BEFORE
Sep. 5 - F205	Introductory Meeting: Share one "problem" with class	
Sep. 12		Email progress to instructor & mentor. Read Gopen & Swan
Sep. 19 - F205	Writing the Introduction	Moodle: Opening paragraph of thesis Introduction
Sep. 26	Sep. 22: Sr Ex paper summary & Bibliography	Email progress
Oct. 3 - F205	Senior Exercise Essay 2: Brainstorm	Automated Reference list attached to Introduction paragraph
Fall Break		
Oct. 17	Oct. 13: Sr Ex manuscript due	Email progress
Oct. 24 – F205	Writing the Methods	Moodle: One method you find challenging to explain
Oct. 31	Email progress	Moodle: Full Introduction
Nov. 7	Nov. 10: Revised Sr Ex due	Email progress
Nov. 14 –F205	Discuss Introduction	Read Introductions from classmates
Nov. 21	Email Progress	
Thanksgiving Break		
Dec. 5 – F205	Discuss Methods	Moodle: Full Methods Read Methods from classmates

Your grade for the class is determined:

50% by your research advisor based on lab research and thesis sections

25% by the BIOL 497 instructor based on your thesis sections

25% based on participation in the class and department seminars (attendance required for all)