



# Introductory Biology (Online) (생물학개론) Syllabus - Spring 2019 David Dunne

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## Course objectives

By the end of the course, students will be able to;

- Understand the characteristics of life and why they are relevant to survival
- Identify the different classifications of organisms and their defining traits
- Understand the process of cell division and the genetics involved in hereditary
- Understand the functions and differences of different systems within plants and animals
- Use biological vocabulary correctly and within the correct context
- Accurately reproduce biological diagrams with correct drawing style and labeling

## Course language

***This course is taught completely in English.*** Students will need to have a good level of English to read and understand the contents and to complete the assignments.

All lectures, lessons, instructions, homework, and exams are in English only.

## Course format

This course will be fully online. It will consist of 3 hours of material and activities on Canvas.

This course will involve the use of Lectures, Discussions and Video & Audio each week through Canvas.

**Competencies:** Communicative, Self-directed learning, Specialty

## Course guidelines, requirements and expectations

All students must;

- use the required text/material and download or prepare any other materials required by the teacher.

- act respectfully and courteously in both the online and classroom environment.
- attend and participate actively in all classes. Participation is based on activity in weekly discussion forum. Students will have a total of 7 days to participate in discussions after they are opened.
- complete all required readings, assignments and exams

## **Required texts/materials**

None – all texts and materials will be provided online by the Professor. Students *must* have access to a reliable computer with internet connection, google chrome, video, and sound.

## **Course website**

<https://canvas.suwon.ac.kr/learningx/main>

## **Course policies**

### **Attendance:**

- Students must access the course materials online and participate in the mandatory discussion forum and group wiki each week, in order to be deemed 'present'
- The mandatory discussion forum will be outlined at the beginning of each week

### **Lateness:**

- Late submission of weekly assignments/quizzes or late participation will not be accepted. The score for that week's assignment and participation will be marked as 0.

### **Assessment:**

- Failure to submit a midterm or final project will result in an automatic F for the class.
- Cheating or plagiarising is not tolerated and will result in an automatic F.

### **Mid-term and Final:**

- Mid-term and Final assessments will be written exams and will take place during the assigned timetable slot in Midterms and Finals weeks.

### **Participation:**

- To gain participation points, students must complete all of the following:
  - Read the discussion article each week. Give a well detailed response to the questions asked, including opinions and information/ideas to back it up. Respond to **at least two** other students posts.

### **Grading:**

- Weekly Quiz: 10%

- Weekly Discussions/other activities: 30%
- Participation: 20%
- Midterm Exam: 20%
- Final Exam: 20%

**NOTE:** As is required by the University of Suwon, this course is graded on a curve (relative grading). The curve is as follows: A0/A+ ≤ 30%, B0/B+ ≤ 40%, C0/C+/D0/D+/F ≥ 30%.

## Weekly Schedule

	<b>Lesson content</b>
<b>Week 01</b>	<b>Introduction to the course and Blackboard</b>
<b>Week 02</b>	<b>Biology Basics</b>
<b>Week 03</b>	<b>Characteristics of Life</b>
<b>Week 04</b>	<b>The Cell</b>
<b>Week 05</b>	<b>Cell Continuity</b>
<b>Week 06</b>	<b>Hereditary and Basic Genetics</b>
<b>Week 07</b>	<b>Review</b>
<b>Week 08</b>	<b>Midterm Exam</b>
<b>Week 09</b>	<b>Human Systems 1 - Circulatory System</b>
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>Human Systems 2 - Digestive System</b>
<b>Week 11</b>	<b>Human Systems 3 - Respiratory System</b>

<b>Week 12</b>	<b>Plant Systems 1 - Circulatory System</b>
<b>Week 13</b>	<b>Plant Systems 2 - Respiratory System and Photosynthesis</b>
<b>Week 14</b>	<b>Plant Systems 3 - Reproductive System</b>
<b>Week 15</b>	<b>Review &amp; Final Exam</b>