

BIOL1409 – General Biology II

Dr. Ken Crane

Email: kenneth.crane@texarkanacollege.edu

Office: Chemistry A

Office Hours:

Phone: 903-832-5565 ext. 3292

Corequisite: Enrollment in a lab section

Textbooks: *Inquiry Into Life* by Mader, 13th Edition
Laboratory Manual for Inquiry Into Life by Mader, 13th Edition

Course Content: Human Organization
Digestive System
Cardiovascular System
Lymphatic and Immune Systems
Respiratory System
Urinary System and Excretion
Nervous System
Senses
Endocrine System
Reproductive System

Lecture Grade: 10% Participation
10% Project
50% Test Average
15% Notebook
15% Final

Lab Grade: 10% Participation
20% Lab Review Average
70% Lab Test Average

Course Grade: The course grade is composed of 60% lecture grade and 40% lab grade.

Final Grade	A	90-100%	B	80-89%	C	70-79%
Calculation:	D	60-69%	F	0-59%		

Conduct: Students are expected to adhere to all deadlines, guidelines, and standards of student conduct in the Texarkana College Student Handbook.

Note: The instructor reserves the right to change any information contained in this document, when necessary, with adequate notice given to the student. The student is responsible for any information missed due to absence.

Participation: this is a combination of attendance and attentiveness.

Attendance –“Texarkana College encourages all students to attend class. Faculty members are not obligated to provide opportunities for students to make-up missed assignments and tests as a result of a student’s absence from class.... Texarkana College makes no distinction between excused and unexcused absences. Approved participation in college activities, such as the athletic program, are excused. Therefore, the faculty member may count all absences except where prohibited by State law or statute. Labs are counted as a class meeting. Attendance counting begins on the first day the student is enrolled.” From the 2011-2012 Course Catalog.

For every absence after the first, 10% will be deducted from an initial grade of 100%. For example, a student with four absences will receive 70% for attendance. Three tardies count as one absence. If you are late, you need to see me after class to make sure that I mark you as tardy and not as absent. Students participating in approved college activities, with prior notification, will not lose points. Make-up work for missed assignments will only be *considered* for those students who have notified me *prior* to the class that they will miss. Exceptions may be considered on an individual basis, but will require extraordinary circumstances. Students who miss too many classes may be dropped from the course.

Attentiveness – Students are expected to be active participants in class. Students that work on other assignments, use electronic devices, leave early, or sleep during class may lose 10% from their grade as if they were absent from class.

Project: you will complete one special project that is due _____. You will showcase any talent that you have and relate it to the study of anatomy. You can make a macrame skeleton or sing a song of tissues or make a video that will help future students. The idea is to be creative and do something that you enjoy. Your grade for the project will be subjective and will reflect the effort and thoroughness that I think that you gave the project. Criteria will be: completeness, accuracy, creativity, and presentation. For those students who have not yet discovered their special talent, you may read the book *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot and write a five page paper (double spaced) about the things you learned, how the book made you feel, and any other comments you may have. You will need to have your project approved by me before it is turned in. This should be accomplished *as soon as possible*.

Test Average: this is the arithmetic mean of all unit tests given during the semester. Dates, places, and times for tests will be announced in class.

Notebook: this is an organized summary of all lectures. The grade will be subjectively based on completeness, thoroughness, and organization.

Final: a comprehensive exam of the semester given at the date and time assigned by the college.

Lab Review Average: this is the arithmetic mean of all Lab Reviews. These are due the day of the Lab Test.

Lab Test Average: this is the arithmetic mean of all Lab Tests. These are given in the following lab meeting after the completion of a lab.