Biophysics 9700

Graduate Seminars
2019-2020

Strong oral presentation skills are necessary for success in academia, industry and the public sector. The purpose of this course is to provide students with the opportunity to practice their oral presentation and chairing skills via a conference-style venue and to provide a forum for discussion of research.

Lectures:
Monday 9:00-10:00am, SJHC Shuttleworth Auditorium (Fall term), UH Auditorium A (Winter term)

Accessibility Statement
Please contact the course instructor if you require material in an alternate format or if you require any other arrangements to make this course more accessible to you. You may also wish to contact Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) at 661-2111 x 82147 for any specific question regarding an accommodation.

Instructor Information

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Course Syllabus

Learning Outcomes
By the end of the course students will be able to:
(i) Apply skills learned in the Medical Biophysics communications courses to prepare and present their research project in a manner understandable to a general scientific audience.
(ii) Correctly interpret audience questions and provide concise, precise answers.
(iii) Identify opportunities to ask scientific questions of the presenter.
Chair sessions within time constraints by introducing the speaker, controlling lighting, and directing question period.

Regularly attend seminar sessions with the aim of increasing awareness of the field of Medical Biophysics, including research questions/objectives and techniques pertinent to projects in our department.

**Evaluation**

This course will be graded on a pass/fail basis.

To pass, students are required to present one seminar and attend 80% of all seminar sessions. Further absences may be granted at the discretion of the course coordinator. Known schedule conflicts (e.g. clinic days for residents) must be discussed with the course coordinator in advance of absences.

Students whose attendance does not meet the above criteria will be required to submit a term paper describing, in their own words, all of the projects presented at the seminar series throughout the year. Such students will also be required to pass an oral examination covering all of the projects presented at the seminar series throughout the year. Such students may pass this course if the quality of the term paper and examination performance are deemed acceptable by the course coordinator.

**Additional Information/Statements**

**Statement on Use of Electronic Devices:**
The only electronic devices permitted for use during tests and exams are standard (not programmable) calculators. Use of mobile phones in class, or during tests and exams is not permitted under any circumstances.

**Statement on Academic Offences:**
“Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following website:
http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/appeals_discipline/index.html

**Email Correspondence**

For security reasons, emails will only be answered when they come from your official UWO email account. Please keep all correspondence professional and concise.

**Absence from course commitments**

A. Absence for medical illness:
Western requires documentation from the medical community for students who require academic accommodation due to medical illness. Students are required to have their physician or health care provider fill out a [Student Medical Certificate](#).

If you require this documentation from Student Health Services:
- The request for medical certificate should be made during the initial visit with the SHS physician or nurse practitioner.
- The fee for having this form completed is $20. You may pick up the completed form and make your payment in the Accounts Office (Room 19) at SHS.
- Medical certificates will only be considered for students who are seriously affected by illness and cannot reasonably be expected to meet their academic responsibilities.

**Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to Mental Health@Western, [https://uwo.ca/health/mental_wellbeing/crisis.html](https://uwo.ca/health/mental_wellbeing/crisis.html) for a complete list of options about how to obtain help.**

**Support Services:**

**Student Health Services:** [http://www.shs.uwo.ca/](http://www.shs.uwo.ca/)