UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES **COURSE OUTLINE**

1. Course: BCEM 555 –BIOMEMBRANES

Winter 2018 Lecture Sections: L01: **MWF** 9:00 SA 235

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D2L course name: 2018W BCEM 555 L01 - Biomembranes

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PREREQUISITES: Biochemistry 431 and 471 and one of 393 or 443

See section 3.5.C in the Faculty of Science section of the online Calendar

(http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sc-3-5.html)

GRADING: The University policy on grading and related matters is described in "Academic Regulations, sections F.1 and F.2" of the online University Calendar (http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1.html and http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-2.html) In determining the overall grade in the course the following weights will be used:

> 40% Midterm Exam In Class Feb 26, 2018

Assignments Final Exam (scheduled by the Registrar's office)

A component of the final exam will be take home question for up to 10% of the final grade of the course.

10%

50%

There will be a final exam scheduled by the Registrar's office.

| Letter Grade | A+ | Α | A- | B+ | В | B- | C+ | С | C- | D+ | D |
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| Min. Percent Required | 95 | 86 | 82 | 78 | 74 | 70 | 66 | 62 | 58 | 54 | 50 |

Each piece of work (assignments, midterm exam or final examination) submitted by the student will be assigned a percentage score. The student's average percentage score for the various components listed above will be combined with the indicated weights to produce an overall percentage for the course, which will be used to determine the course letter grade.

- 4. Missed Components of Term Work. The regulations of the Faculty of Science pertaining to this matter are found in the Faculty of Science area of the Calendar in section 3.6: http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sc-3-6.html. It is the student's responsibility to familiarize himself/herself with these regulations. See also http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-**3.html**.
- Dates and times of class exercises held outside of class hours: NO activities planned.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASSES HAVE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY OUT-OF-CLASS-TIME-ACTIVITY. If you have a clash with this out-of-class-time-activity, please inform your instructor as soon as possible so that alternative arrangements may be made for you.

EXAMINATION POLICY: No electronic or written aids (eg. cell phones, tablets, computers, PDAs, notes, textbooks) will be allowed during writing of any exams. Non-programmable calculators will be permitted to answer quantitative questions on exams, if applicable, and permission to do this will be clearly indicated on the examination paper. Students should also read the Calendar, Section G, on Examinations: http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g.html.

| Department Approval: | ORIGINAL SIGNED | Date: | |
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- 7. In this course, the quality of the student's writing will be a factor in the evaluation of the student's work. See also http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-2.html.
- 8. Course Material: No text book assigned. Reading materials will come from the scientific literature.

9. ETHICS IN THE BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Studies in the Biological Sciences involve the use of living and dead organisms. Students taking laboratory- and field-based courses in these disciplines can expect involvement with and experimentation on such materials. Students perform dissections on dead or preserved organisms in some courses. In particular courses, students experiment on living organisms, their tissues, cells, or molecules. Sometimes field work requires students to collect a variety of living materials by many methods, including humane trapping.

All work on humans and other animals conforms to the Helsinki Declaration and to the regulations of the Canadian Council on Animal Care. The Department strives for the highest ethical standards consistent with stewardship of the environment for organisms whose use is not governed by statutory authority. Individuals contemplating taking courses or majoring in one of the fields of study offered by the Department of Biological Sciences should ensure that they have fully considered these issues before enrolling. Students are advised to discuss any concern they might have with the Undergraduate Program Director of the Department.

10. OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:

- (a) ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT (cheating, plagiarism, or any other form) is a very serious offence that will be dealt with rigorously in all cases. A single offence may lead to disciplinary probation or suspension or expulsion. The Faculty of Science follows a zero tolerance policy regarding dishonesty. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under K. Student Misconduct (http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html) to inform yourself of definitions, processes and penalties
- (b) ASSEMBLY POINTS in case of emergency during class time. Be sure to FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF with the information at http://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints.
- (c) Student Accommodations: Students needing an Accommodation because of a Disability or medical condition should contact Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities 0.pdf.
 - Students needing an Accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfil requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to the Associate Head of Biological Sciences, Dr. H. Addy by email addy@ucalgary.ca or phone 403 220-3140.
- (d) SAFEWALK: Campus Security will escort individuals day or night http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk). Call 403-220-5333 for assistance. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phones located at most parking lot pay booths.
- (e) FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY: This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP). As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page. For more information see also http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy.
- (f) Student Union Information: VP Academic Phone: 403 220-3911 Email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca
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- (g) INTERNET and ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICE Information. You can assume that in all classes that you attend, your cell phone should be turned off. Also, communication with other individuals, via laptop computers, Blackberries or other devices connectable to the Internet is not allowed in class time unless specifically permitted by the instructor. If you violate this policy you may be asked to leave the classroom. Repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct.
- (h) Calculators can be used during examinations.
- (i) At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses (www.ucalgary.ca/usri). Your responses make a difference please participate in USRI Surveys.

2018 TENTATIVE LECTURE MATERIAL

18 lectures for each of the two Professors

Topics covered by each professor.

Dr. Noskov (JANUARY 8 - FEBRUARY 26)

Role of lipids in structure of biological membranes
Membrane partitioning and dynamics
Transport energetics
Protein composition of biological membranes
Membrane protein classifications and distributions
Types of membrane proteins transporters, channels, receptors, structural proteins.
Overview of structure of membrane proteins.
lon channels.
Receptors

Dr. Turner (FEBRUARY 28 - APRIL 13)

Hydrophobicity and membrane proteins
Role and location of amino acids in integral membrane proteins
Positive inside rule
Membrane protein folding
Techniques to study protein IMP interactions/topology in vitro and in vivo
Transporters
Protein translocation systems
Bacterial Secretion systems

Other topics may be added pending time.

BCEM555 Biomembranes Learning Outcomes

List characteristics of each component group of the Biomembrane (Lipids/ transporters/ receptors/ ion channels/ integral membrane proteins/peripheral membrane proteins).

Explain the biophysical difference(s) between globular proteins and integral membrane proteins

Argue for/against proposed mechanisms for: transporters/receptors/ ion channels/ integral membrane protein insertion and folding.

Formulate and support (via diagrams/lists/ descriptors) models of biomembrane processes and interactions

Organize biomembrane components for protein translocation processes

Devise a hypothetical biomembrane and justify it.