

Opasraportti

FBMM - Biochemistry (2015 - 2016)

Biochemistry is the study of life at the molecular level. Based on underlying chemical principles biochemists study the details of biological systems at both macro- and micro- scales in whole organisms, in cells, in the test tube and by structural and computational based analysis. Even the simplest living systems are extremely complicated, and comprise a vast array of interconnecting processes. These processes are said to be governed by our genes, the genetic code which makes us who and what we are. Genes are not everything though; the information encoded within them is converted into proteins and it is proteins that are the primary workers in the cell, playing fundamental roles in all aspects of biochemistry. Smaller molecules also play a key role, both through the complex cycles of metabolism, generating energy and essential cellular precursors from nutrients taken from the external world and by playing a role in modulating the function of genes and of proteins.

Sometimes cellular processes go wrong, due to genetic mutations or to external environmental factors or to chance events, and then disease states such as cancer, diabetes, cystic fibrosis or Alzheimer's arise. Only by understanding both the details of the underlying mechanisms of cellular action and the complex interplay of 30,000 gene products, a million different proteins and thousands of metabolites can these diseases be understood and effective treatments generated. These treatments may be small molecules, designed both to be targeted to the appropriate site within the body and to inhibit a specific cellular process through rational drug design, or they may be macromolecules, such as proteins produced on an industrial scale by the biotech industry, or there is the growing area of gene therapy, replacing a loss of function by introducing a working gene.

All of this, the understanding of the mechanisms of cellular action at a molecular level along with the rational design and production of therapeutic treatments, is the work of the biochemist.

Education

The education of biochemists was changed in autumn 2005 to a new degree system across the EU. The first degree is a 3-year candidate degree (BSc, Bachelor of Science) followed by a 2-year master degree (MSc, Master of Science). The purpose of the change is to harmonize degrees in biochemistry in different universities, shorten graduating times and facilitate transfer of students between universities in different EU countries. The first MSc degree programmes under a new degree system started in autumn 2008. Since autumn 2007, the Department of Biochemistry has organized a Master Degree Programme in Protein Science and Biotechnology also for international students.

According to the decision of the University of Oulu Board of Directors the Department of Biochemistry has merged with the Department of Medical Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, currently part of the Institute of Biomedicine at the Faculty of Medicine to form a new Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine (FBMM). The administrative merger started 1st January 2014 and the physical merger occurred in summer 2014. The new faculty is located on the Kontinkangas campus. While the curricula of the BSc and MSc degrees will not change, the teaching arrangements have been changed. The first year and the autumn term of the second year of the BSc will continue to

be taught on the Linnanmaa campus (laboratory parts of biochemistry courses on the Kontinkangas campus). The remaining studies in the BSc and all MSc courses offered by the new faculty will be taught on the Kontinkangas campus.

The Mission of the Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine is based on the fact that current and high level teaching cannot be given without strong basic research. This can be seen in the operational principles of the faculty. Innovative specialists will be needed in the field. Teaching is seen as an entity where high quality basic and doctoral education, including post-doctoral training abroad, is a fundamental part of the faculty structure.

Post graduate training has an important role in the faculty. Research work starts at the end of MSc phase when a student is doing his Pro gradu project with research work towards a PhD being started after this. Many research groups of international level are operating in the faculty and about 90 PhD students are working here at present. Post graduate training involves high level training and is linked to clear research projects.

Most of the students who have graduated from the degree programme in biochemistry, University of Oulu are working in universities within research and teaching, while some are employed by industry, business or by different educational institutes for tasks in research, development, communication and management. One third of the graduated students have taken the licentiate degree and about one fifth have PhD degree. Most of the latter have spent a post-doctoral period abroad.

Studies

University lecturer Jari Heikkinen helps in matters related to studies. In questions concerning a single study module student can contact the responsible person of the course.

All courses and exams organized by faculty must be subscribed to via WebOodi (<https://weboodi oulu.fi/oodi>) before the relevant deadline.

The recommended order for courses for a bachelor degree is presented in the figure. For many biochemistry courses there are some previous courses required as a prerequisite.

As a part of the studies in biochemistry, a student will use literature and/or results from course experiments to make many kinds of written exercises (reports, Pro gradu etc.) and presentations. A report cannot be a copy of the other text and all citations from other texts or figures must be clearly presented as references. Copying, using of the text of other students and other forms of plagiarism are forbidden and will lead to punishment and rejection of the report

Yr3 autumn

BIOCHEMISTRY

Cellular communication

Introduction to immunology *

Yr3 spring

BIOCHEMISTRY

Physiological biochemistry *

Radiation and safety *

Essay (B.Sc. thesis)

Maturity test

Final examination

Virology*

Optional studies

EXTENSION SCHOOL

Swedish, written skills

Swedish, oral skills

BIOLOGY

Animal physiology, exercises *

CHEMISTRY

Laboratory course in organic chemistry I *

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LIBRARY TELLUS

Introduction to information retrieval*

Yr2 autumn

BIOCHRMISTRY

Molecular biology I

Metabolism II

Protein Chemistry I

BIOLOGY

Developmental biology-histology, lectures *

Developmental biology-histology, exercises *

LABORATORY ANIMAL CENTRE

Using animals in research - carrying out procedures *

Yr2 spring

BIOCHEMISTRY

Physical biochemistry

Cellular biology

BIOLOGY

Concepts of genetics for biochemists

CHEMISTRY

Animal physiology, lectures *

Organic chemistry I *

MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

Introduction to analytical chemistry *

Introduction to statistics

A second course in statistic

Yr1 autumn**Yr1 spring****BIOCHEMISTRY****BIOCHEMISTRY**

Orientation

Metabolism I

Biomolecules for biochemists

Biochemical methodologies I

Microbiology

Transferable skills for biochemists

EXTENSION SCHOOL

English for biochemists I

BIOLOGY

Cell biology

CHEMISTRY

General and inorganic chemistry A

General and inorganic chemistry B

Introductory laboratory course in chemistry

Introduction to organic chemistry

Recommended timing for B.Sc. courses in Biochemistry

* Recommended optional studies

Biochemistry as a minor subject

Biochemistry courses can be attended freely by students from other departments with only one restriction: We reserve right to not allow students on the course if the work places available in the laboratory or equipment available are insufficient. Also for laboratory exercises the student must have sufficient prior practical experience.

All courses and exams organized by faculty must be subscribed to via WebOodi (<https://weboodi oulu.fi/oodi>) before the relevant deadline.

A record of biochemistry as a minor subject will be given when the amount of accepted studies is at least 15 credits.

Examinations and grades

The time and place of examinations are informed via timetables in the home page of faculty. Students must subscribe to exams via WebOodi (<https://weboodi oulu.fi/oodi>) before the relevant deadline. The grading scale is 0-5. The lowest passing grade is 1. Some courses are graded pass/fail. Three final exams are organized for each course. A course must be passed during the given time, not in another study year.

The final grade for Bachelor and Master degree in biochemistry and for biochemistry as a minor subject will be calculated as follows: the Grades of graded courses are multiplied by the number of credits. The final grade is the sum of products divided by the total number of credits.

Final grades will be determined as follows:

1/5	Sufficient	1,00 – 1,49
2/5	Satisfactory	1,50 – 2,49
3/5	Good	2,50 – 3,49
4/5	Very Good	3,50 – 4,49
5/5	Excellent	4,50 – 5,00

The final grade will be given by secretary of student affairs.

Lines and degrees

Faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine offers one bachelors level degree, **Biochemistry** and two masters level degrees, **Protein Science and Biotechnology** and **Molecular and Cellular Biology**.

- 1) **Biochemistry**. B.Sc. Degree In Finnish and in English
- 2) **Protein Science and Biotechnology**. M.Sc. Degree entirely in English.
- 3) **Molecular and Cellular Biology**. M.Sc. Degree In Finnish and in English.

In addition, the faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine offers a Master's Degree Programme in Protein Science and Biotechnology for international students, whose curriculum differs slightly from the Protein Science and Biotechnology MSc.

Bachelor of Science (Biochemistry)

Education leading to a Bachelor's degree in biochemistry provides the student with:

- apply fundamental knowledge in biochemistry and ancillary subjects and follow and evaluate developments in that field;
- apply scientific thinking and to use scientific methods;
- relate to and discuss the high public awareness and impact on society of biochemistry;
- complete responsible and goal-oriented teamwork and in individual work;
- capability to apply the acquired knowledge in working life;
- communicate in Finnish and Swedish as stipulated in the Degree Statute, as well as proficiency in English;
- demonstrate transferable and cognitive skills, including the ability to communicate effectively.

The credit requirement for the lower university degree of Bachelor of Science (Biochemistry) is 180. Studies are organized such that students can complete the degree within three years of full-time study. There is an option for a BSc Degree in biochemistry with international exchange. This includes additional appropriate compulsory language studies to allow integration of the student into the host environment during student exchange period. Student is free to select either of the BSc Degrees and may freely switch between degrees.

Obligatory course units at the beginning of studies are common to all students, but students also select course units specific to their longer-term goals.

A Bachelor's degree consists of the following elements:

B.Sc. Degree in biochemistry

General studies	8 credits
Basic studies in Biochemistry	30 credits
Intermediate studies in Biochemistry	56 credits
Maturity test	0 credits
Chemistry	20 credits
Biology and statistic	18 credits
Optional studies*	48 credits
Total at least	180 credits

* BSc studies must include a minor subject that comprises at least 25% of basic / intermediate studies

A Bachelor's degree with international exchange consists of the following elements:

B.Sc. Degree in Biochemistry with international exchange

General studies	8 credits
Basic studies in Biochemistry	30 credits
Intermediate studies in Biochemistry	56 credits
Maturity test	0 credits
Chemistry	20 credits
Biology and statistic	18 credits
Appropriate language studies	up to 10 credits
Biochemical studies in the host university	12-30 credits
Other optional studies*	8-36 credits

Total at least**180 credits**

* BSc studies must include a minor subject that comprises at least 25op of basic / intermediate studies

Master of Science (Protein Science and Biotechnology; Molecular and cellular biology)

Education leading to a Master's degree in Protein Science and Biotechnology or Molecular and cellular biology provides the student with:

- apply scientific knowledge and methods to topical tasks and to undertake scientific research with supervision;
- analyze information and data and their setting within a theoretical network accompanied by critical analysis and assessment;
- integrate the subject area as a coherent whole;
- communicate with good language skills for national and international tasks;
- demonstrate transferable and cognitive skills, including the ability to communicate effectively and critically about science using a variety of approaches;
- apply further knowledge, including the abilities to conceive, design and implement independent research and
- demonstrate capability for scientific postgraduate work.

A Master degree consists of the following elements:

M.Sc. Degree

Obligatory advanced courses 69-77 credits

Maturity test 0 credits

Optional studies 43-51 credits

Total at least 120 credits

STUDIES FOR B.Sc. DEGREE

General studies 8 credits	credits	Semester	Unit
Orientation (740076Y)	2	Autumn yr 1- Spring yr1	<i>FBMM</i>
English for biochemists I (902100Y)	3	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	<i>Extension school</i>
Second official language (Swedish), written skills (901050Y)	1	Autumn yr 3	<i>Extension school</i>
Second official language (Swedish), oral skills (901051Y)	2	Autumn yr 3	<i>Extension school</i>
Basic studies in biochemistry 30 credits			<i>FBMM</i>
Biomolecules for biochemists (740143P)	8	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	
Biochemical methodologies I (740144P)	8	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	
Metabolism I (740146P)	6	Spring yr 1	
Physical biochemistry (740145P)	6	Spring yr 2	
Transferable skills for biochemists (740150P)	2	Spring yr 1	
Intermediate studies in biochemistry 56 credits			<i>FBMM</i>
Molecular biology I (740361A)	8	Autumn yr 2	
Microbiology (740363A)	6	Spring yr 1	
Protein chemistry I (740364A)	8	Autumn yr 2	
Cellular biology (740362A)	6	Spring yr 2	
Metabolism II (740367A)	6	Autumn yr 2	
Essay (B.Sc. thesis) (740376A)	10	Autumn yr 3	
Cellular communication (740366A)	6	Autumn yr 3	

Maturity test (740377A)	0	Spring yr 3	
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Final examination (740372A)	6	Spring yr 3	
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Chemistry 20 credits

Chemistry

General and inorganic chemistry A (780117P)	5	Autumn yr 1	
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General and inorganic chemistry B (780118P)	5	Autumn yr 1	
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Introductory laboratory course in chemistry (780123P)	5	Autumn yr 1	
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Introduction to organic chemistry (780116P)	5	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	
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Cell biology (750121P)	5	Autumn yr 1	<i>Biology</i>
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Concepts of genetics for biochemists (753122P)	3	Spring yr 2	<i>Biology</i>
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Introduction to statistics (806118P)	5	Spring yr 2	<i>Mathematics</i>
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A second course in statistics (806119P)	5	Spring yr 2	<i>Mathematics</i>
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Recommended optional studies

Radiation and safety (740368A)	5	Spring yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
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Introduction to immunology (740379A)	3	Autumn yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
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Virology (740380A)	3	Spring yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
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Physiological biochemistry (740371A) *	4	Spring yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
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Animal physiology, lectures (751323A) *	5	Spring yr 2	<i>Biology</i>
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Animal physiology, exercises (755318A)	4	Autumn yr 3	<i>Biology</i>
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Developmental biology-histology, lectures (751320A)	5	Spring yr 3	<i>Biology</i>
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Developmental biology-histology, exercises (755327A)	5	Spring yr 3	<i>Biology</i>
Introduction to analytical chemistry (780119P)	5	Autumn yr 2	<i>Chemistry</i>
Laboratory course in organic chemistry I (780307A)	5	Autumn yr 3	<i>Chemistry</i>
Organic chemistry I (780305A)	5	Autumn yr 2	<i>Chemistry</i>
Using animals in research - carrying out procedures (040911S) probably this course is not organized every year in English	2.5	Spring yr 3	<i>Laboratory Animal Centre</i>
Introduction to information retrieval (030005P)	1	Year 3	<i>Tellus</i>
Tutoring / confidential posts (740074Y)	1,5	Year 2-3	<i>FBMM</i>

* at least one of these is required

Optional studies

BSc degree in biochemistry includes 48 credits of optional studies. Recommended optional courses are put together in the time table so that they do not clash with obligatory courses. However, students are free to select other university courses either in Finland or abroad. The content of courses must not be too similar to obligatory courses. Courses taken outside University of Oulu should be agreed with University lecturer Jari Heikkinen in advance. BSc studies must include a minor subject that comprises at least 25op of basic / intermediate studies. Students are advised to do the minor subject in either chemistry or biology (compulsory studies in these subjects can be included in the 25op total).

STUDIES FOR B.Sc. DEGREE WITH INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

General studies 8 credits	credits	Semester	Unit
Orientation (740076Y)	2	Autumn yr 1- Spring yr1	<i>FBMM</i>
English for biochemists I (902100Y)	3	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	<i>Extension school</i>

Second official language (Swedish), written skills (901050Y)	1	Autumn yr 3	<i>Extension school</i>
Second official language (Swedish), oral skills (901051Y)	2	Autumn yr 3	<i>Extension school</i>
Basic studies in biochemistry 30 credits			<i>FBMM</i>
Biomolecules for biochemists (740143P)	8	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	
Biochemical methodologies I (740144P)	8	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	
Metabolism I (740146P)	6	Spring yr 1	
Physical biochemistry (740145P)	6	Spring yr 2	
Transferable skills for biochemists (740150P)	2	Spring yr 1	
Intermediate studies in biochemistry 56 credits			<i>FBMM</i>
Molecular biology I (740361A)	8	Autumn yr 2	
Microbiology (740363A)	6	Spring yr 1	
Protein chemistry I (740364A)	8	Autumn yr 2	
Cellular biology (740362A)	6	Spring yr 2	
Metabolism II (740367A)	6	Autumn yr 2	
Essay (B.Sc. thesis) (740376A)	10	Autumn yr 3	
Cellular communication (740366A)	6	Autumn yr 3	
Maturity test (740377A)	0	Autumn yr 3	

Final examination (740372A)	6	Spring yr 3	
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Chemistry 20 credits

Chemistry

General and inorganic chemistry I (780117P)	5	Autumn yr 1	
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General and inorganic chemistry II (780118P)	5	Autumn yr 1	
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Introductory laboratory course in chemistry (780123P)	5	Autumn yr 1	
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Introduction to organic chemistry (780116P)	5	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1	
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Biology and statistics 18 credits

Cell biology (750121P)	5	Autumn yr 1	<i>Biology</i>
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Concepts of genetics for biochemists (753122P)	3	Spring yr 2	<i>Biology</i>
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Introduction to statistics (806118P)	5	Spring yr 2	<i>Mathematics</i>
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A second course in statistics (806119P)	5	Spring yr 2	<i>Mathematics</i>
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Appropriate language studies up to 10 credits		autumn yr2- spring yr3	<i>Extension school</i>
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Biochemical studies in the host university 12-30 credits		Spring yr3	<i>Host university</i>
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Recommended optional studies

Radiation and safety (740368A)	5	Spring yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
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Introduction to immunology (740379A)	3	Autumn yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
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Virology (740380A)	3	Spring yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
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Physiological biochemistry (740371A) *	4	Spring yr 3	<i>FBMM</i>
Animal physiology, lectures (751323A) *	5	Spring yr 2	<i>Biology</i>
Animal physiology, exercises (755318A)	4	Autumn yr 3	<i>Biology</i>
Developmental biology-histology, lectures (751320A)	5	Spring yr 3	<i>Biology</i>
Developmental biology-histology, exercises (755327A)	5	Spring yr 3	<i>Biology</i>
Introduction to analytical chemistry (780119P)	5	Autumn yr 2	<i>Chemistry</i>
Laboratory course in organic chemistry I (780307A)	5	Autumn yr 3	<i>Chemistry</i>
Organic chemistry I (780305A)	5	Autumn yr 2	<i>Chemistry</i>
Using animals in research - carrying out procedures (040911S) probably this course is not organized every year in English	2.5	Spring yr 3	<i>Laboratory Animal Centre</i>
Introduction to information retrieval (030005P)	1	Year 3	<i>Tellus</i>
Tutoring / confidential posts (740074Y)	1,5	Year 2-3	<i>FBMM</i>

* One course in physiology is required. An alternative to animal physiology is physiological biochemistry but this is normally taken Spring yr3.

Appropriate language studies

Appropriate compulsory language studies (8-10 credits) should be taken prior the exchange period. The courses can be selected from repertoire of Language and Communication and/or Open university. Autumn yr2-autumn yr3 is the ideal period for these studies. The language courses given by the host university at the beginning of exchange period will be accepted too.

Optional studies

BSc degree in biochemistry with international exchange includes 28 credits of optional studies. A minimum of 12 credits of these must be passed in host university during exchange period (biochemistry

courses). Recommended optional courses at University of Oulu are put together in the time table so that they do not clash with obligatory courses. However, students are free to select other university courses either in Finland or abroad. The content of courses must not be too similar to obligatory courses. Courses taken outside University of Oulu should be agreed with University lecturer Jari Heikkinen in advance. BSc studies must include a minor subject that comprises at least 25op of basic / intermediate studies. Students are advised to do the minor subject in either chemistry or biology (compulsory studies in these subjects can be included in the 25op total).

Courses for minor subject students

	credits	semester
Biomolecules (740148P)	5	Autumn-Spring
Biomolecules for Bioscientists (740147P)	8	Autumn-Spring
Metabolism I (740149P)	4	Spring
Microbiology (740374A)	3	Spring
Molecular biology I (740373A)	4	Autumn

STUDIES FOR M.Sc.DEGREE

In addition to compulsory and optional specialist courses (minimum 4 courses) student must select other courses listed in any MSc line, all together at least 105 credits. The remaining 15 credits can be either any other MSc courses or any other suitable courses according to student's career aspirations. Student is free to take courses from both lines and decide later according to subject of Pro Gradu work which MSc line to graduate in.

Protein Science and Biotechnology (120 credits)

Compulsory courses	credits	Semester
Protein chemistry II (744620S)	3	Autumn yr1
Molecular biology II (744621S)	3	Autumn yr1
Biochemical methodologies II (747608S)	8	Autumn yr1

English for biochemists II (902101Y)	3	Spring yr1
Orientation to research work (744617S) / Orientation to biochemical work (744624S)	12-20	Autumn yr 1- Spring yr 1
Pro gradu experimental work in protein science and biotechnology (747691S)	28	
Pro gradu thesis in protein science and biotechnology (747692S)	20	
Maturity test (M.Sc. degree) (740672S)	0	

Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)

Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods (747605S)	3	Autumn
Structural enzymology (747606S)	3	Spring
Biochemistry of protein folding (747611S)	3	Spring
Systems biology (744619S)	4	Autumn
Bioinformatics (747603S)	2,5	Spring
Introduction to biocomputing (747604S)	3	Autumn
Introduction to structure-based drug discovery (747612S)	4	Spring

Other optional courses

Dissertation (744618S)	18	
Scientific presentation (744625S)	1-2	
Final examination in protein science and biotechnology (747693S)	9	
Yeast genetics (744623S)	3-6	Spring
Advanced information skills (300002M, Science and Technology library Tellus)	1	
Bioreactor technology (488321S, Bioprocess Engineering)	5	Autumn

Advanced course for biotechnology (488305S, Bioprocess Engineering)	5	Spring
Using animals in research - carrying out procedures (040911S, Laboratory Animal Centre)*	2.5	spring
Optional courses at any university	0-12	
Any other MSc level course offered by the Faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine		

*probably this course is not organized every year in English

Molecular and cellular biology (120 credits)

Obligatory courses	credits	Semester
Protein chemistry II (744620S)	3	Autumn yr 1
Molecular biology II (744621S)	3	Autumn yr 1
English for biochemists II (902101Y)	3	Spring yr1
Orientation to research work (744617S) / Orientation to biochemical work (744624S)	12-20	Autumn yr 1-Spring yr 1
Pro gradu experimental work in molecular and cellular biology (743694S)	28	
Pro gradu thesis in molecular and cellular biology (743695S)	20	
Maturity test (740672S)	0	
Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)		
Biochemistry of inherited diseases (743604S)	3	Autumn
Systems biology (744619S)	4	Autumn
Neurobiology (743655S)	4	Spring
Bioinformatics (747603S)	2.5	Spring

Biochemistry of cell organelles (743659S)	3	Autumn
Tumor cell biology (743657S)	3	Spring
Other optional courses		
Biochemical methodologies II (747608S)	8	Autumn yr1
Dissertation (744618S)	18	
Virology (743661S)	3	spring
Scientific presentation (744625S)	1-2	
Introduction to immunology (743660S)	3	Autumn-Spring
Final examination in molecular and cellular biology (743696S)	9	
Yeast genetics (744623S)	3-6	Spring
Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods (747605S)	3	Autumn
Structural enzymology (747606S)	3	Spring
Biochemistry of protein folding (747611S)	3	Spring
Introduction to structure-based drug discovery (747612S)	4	Spring
Advanced information skills (300002M, Science and Technology library Tellus)	1	
Introduction to biocomputing (747604S)	3	Autumn
Plant hormones (756627S)(Dept. of Biology)	4	Spring
Biomedical imaging methods (580402S) (Institute of biomedicine)	4	
Using animals in research - carrying out procedures (040911S, Laboratory Animal Centre)	2.5	spring
Optional courses at any university	0-12	

Any other MSc level course offered by the Faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine

International Master's Degree Programme in Protein Science and Biotechnology (120 credits)

Obligatory courses	credits	Semester
Protein production and analysis (747601S)	8	Autumn yr1
Biochemical methodologies II (747608S)	8	Autumn yr1
Orientation to research work (744617S) / Orientation to biochemical work (744624S)	12-18	Spring yr 1
Pro gradu experimental work in protein science and biotechnology (747691S)	28	
Pro gradu thesis in protein science and biotechnology (747692S)	20	
Maturity test (M.Sc. degree) (740672S)	0	
Optional specialist courses (at least 4 must be taken)		
Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods (747605S)	3	Autumn
Structural enzymology (747606S)	3	Spring
Biochemistry of protein folding (747611S)	3	Spring
Systems biology (744619S)	4	Spring
Bioinformatics (747603S)	2.5	Spring
Introduction to biocomputing (747604S)	3	Autumn
Introduction to structure-based drug discovery (747612S)	4	Spring

Optional courses

Dissertation (744618S)	18	
Scientific presentation (744625S)	1-2	
Final examination in protein science and biotechnology (747693S)	9	
English for biochemists II (902101Y)	3	Spring yr 1
Yeast genetics (744623S)	3-6	Spring
Information Skills for foreign degree students (030008P) Science and Technology library Tellus)	1	
Bioreactor technology (488321S, Bioprocess Engineering)	5	Autumn
Advanced course for biotechnology (488305S, Bioprocess Engineering)	5	Autumn-Spring
Using animals in research - carrying out procedures (040911S, Laboratory Animal Centre)*	2.5	spring
Any other MSc level course offered by the Faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine		

*probably this course is not organized every year in English

Optional courses at any universities

Up to 15 credits of courses can be taken from other suitable courses taught at any university. Also courses given by research units eg. Biocenter Oulu will be accepted. Courses must be connected to biochemistry or logically support some aspect of it and they will have to be at an appropriate level. The content of the courses must not be too similar to other courses which have counted towards the students BSc degree or towards their MSc. In all cases University lecturer Jari Heikkinen should be contacted to confirm acceptance / suitability. We would advise that this is done before the course is taken, especially in the case of courses taken from universities outside Finland. A list of previously accepted courses can be found on the teaching pages of the faculty web pages, please consult this list before contacting University lecturer Jari Heikkinen.

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Compulsory courses (76 - 82 op)

Compulsory courses

H325423: Compulsory courses - Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 76 op

Obligatory

747601S: Protein production and analysis, 8 op

747608S: Biochemical methodologies II, 8 op

747691S: Pro gradu experimental work in protein science and biotechnology, 28 op

747692S: Pro gradu thesis in protein science and biotechnology, 20 op

740672S: Maturity test (M.Sc. degree), 0 op

Orientation to research work: work done in an academic or industrial research group. Orientation to biochemical work: work done in a non research group environment. For Int MSc in protein science and biotechnology line the sum of credits of both courses must be 12-18 ECTS cr.

744617S: Orientation to research work, 0 - 20 op

744624S: Orientation to biochemical work, 0 - 20 op

Optional specialist courses (at least 4 must be taken)

H325425: Optional specialist courses - MSc / Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 11,5 - 21,5 op

Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)

747605S: Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods, 3 op

747606S: Structural enzymology, 3 op

747611S: Biochemistry of protein folding, 3 op

744619S: Systems biology, 4 op

747603S: Bioinformatics, 2,5 op

747604S: Introduction to biocomputing, 3 op

747612S: Introduction to structure-based drug discovery, 4 op

Optional courses (vähintään 12.5 op)

In addition to compulsory and optional specialist courses (minimum 4 courses) student must select other courses listed in any MSc line, all together at least 105 credits. The remaining 15 credits can be either any other MSc courses or any other suitable courses according to student's career aspirations.

If You plan to take courses other than listed in any MSc line, please select "Optional courses at any university (0-15 ECTS)" option below (choose the degree structure page).

Optional courses (counted to 105 credits quota)

H325429: Optional courses - Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 4,5 - 32,5 op

Optional courses

744618S: Dissertation, 18 op
 744625S: Scientific presentation, 1 - 2 op
 747693S: Final examination in protein science and biotechnology, 9 op
 030008P: Information Skills for foreign degree students, 1 op
 488321S: Bioreactor technology, 5 op
 488305S: Advanced Course for Biotechnology, 5 op
 744623S: Yeast genetics, 6 op
 743661S: Virology, 3 op
 743660S: Introduction to immunology, 3 op
 743659S: Biochemistry of cell organelles, 3 op
 743657S: Tumor cell biology, 3 op
 580402S: Biomedical Imaging Methods, 1 - 5 op
 756625S: Genetic transformation of plants, 4 - 8 op
 756627S: Plant hormones, 5 op
 902101Y: English for Biochemists 2, 3 op
 040900S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 2,5 - 3 op

Optional courses at any university (0-15 ECTS)

H325432: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - MSc, 0 - 75 op

Studies taken/planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

746601S: Advanced studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

746605S: Advanced studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

M.Sc. degree, Biochemistry (Protein Science and Biotechnology)

Tutkintorakenteen tila: published

Lukuvuosi: 2015-16

Lukuvuoden alkamispäivämäärä: 01.08.2015

Compulsory courses (77 - 85 op)

H325422: Compulsory courses - MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 77 op

Compulsory courses

744620S: Protein chemistry II, 3 op

744621S: Molecular biology II, 3 op

747608S: Biochemical methodologies II, 8 op

902101Y: English for Biochemists 2, 3 op

747691S: Pro gradu experimental work in protein science and biotechnology, 28 op

747692S: Pro gradu thesis in protein science and biotechnology, 20 op

740672S: Maturity test (M.Sc. degree), 0 op

Orientation to research work: work done in an academic or industrial research group. Orientation to biochemical work: work done in a non research group environment. The sum of credits of both courses must be 12-20 ECTS.

744617S: Orientation to research work, 0 - 20 op

744624S: Orientation to biochemical work, 0 - 20 op

Optional specialist courses (at least 4 must be taken) (11.5 - 21.5 op)

H325425: Optional specialist courses - MSc / Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 11,5 - 21,5 op

Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)

747605S: Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods, 3 op

747606S: Structural enzymology, 3 op

- 747611S: Biochemistry of protein folding, 3 op
 744619S: Systems biology, 4 op
 747603S: Bioinformatics, 2,5 op
 747604S: Introduction to biocomputing, 3 op
 747612S: Introduction to structure-based drug discovery, 4 op

Optional courses (vähintään 9.5 op)

In addition to compulsory and optional specialist courses (minimum 4 courses) student must select other courses listed in any MSc line, all together at least 105 credits. The remaining 15 credits can be either any other MSc courses or any other suitable courses according to student's career aspirations. Student is free to take courses from both lines and decide later according to subject of Pro Gradu work which MSc line to graduate in.

If You plan to take courses other than listed in any MSc line, please select "Optional courses at any university (0-15 ECTS)" option below (choose the degree structure page).

Optional courses (counted to 105 credits quota)

H325428: Optional courses - MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 1,5 - 31,5 op

Optional courses

- 744618S: Dissertation, 18 op
 744625S: Scientific presentation, 1 - 2 op
 747693S: Final examination in protein science and biotechnology, 9 op
 300002M: Advanced Information Skills, 1 op
 488321S: Bioreactor technology, 5 op
 488305S: Advanced Course for Biotechnology, 5 op
 744623S: Yeast genetics, 6 op
 743661S: Virology, 3 op
 743660S: Introduction to immunology, 3 op
 743604S: Biochemistry of inherited diseases, 3 op
 743659S: Biochemistry of cell organelles, 3 op
 743657S: Tumor cell biology, 3 op
 580402S: Biomedical Imaging Methods, 1 - 5 op
 756625S: Genetic transformation of plants, 4 - 8 op
 756627S: Plant hormones, 5 op
 040911S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 3 op

Optional courses at any university (0-15 ECTS)

H325432: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - MSc, 0 - 75 op

Studies taken/ planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

- 746601S: Advanced studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op
 746605S: Advanced studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op
 746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

M.Sc. degree, Biochemistry (Molecular and cellular biology)

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Compulsory courses (69 - 77 op)

H325421: Compulsory courses - MSc, molecular and cellular biology, 69 op

Obligatory courses

744620S: Protein chemistry II, 3 op

744621S: Molecular biology II, 3 op

902101Y: English for Biochemists 2, 3 op

743694S: Pro gradu experimental work in molecular and cellular biology, 28 op

743695S: Pro gradu thesis in molecular and cellular biology, 20 op

740672S: Maturity test (M.Sc. degree), 0 op

Orientation to research work: work done in an academic or industrial research group. Orientation to biochemical work: work done in a non research group environment. The sum of credits of both courses must be 12-20 ECTS.

744617S: Orientation to research work, 0 - 20 op

744624S: Orientation to biochemical work, 0 - 20 op

Optional specialist courses (at least 4 must be taken) (11 - 22 op)

H325424: Optional specialist courses - MSc, molecular and cellular biology, 11 - 22 op

Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)

743604S: Biochemistry of inherited diseases, 3 op

744619S: Systems biology, 4 op

747603S: Bioinformatics, 2,5 op

743659S: Biochemistry of cell organelles, 3 op

743657S: Tumor cell biology, 3 op

Optional courses (vähintään 21 op)

In addition to compulsory and optional specialist courses (minimum 4 courses) student must select other courses listed in any MSc line, all together at least 105 credits. The remaining 15 credits can be either any other MSc courses or any other suitable courses according to student's career aspirations. Student is free to take courses from both lines and decide later according to subject of Pro Gradu work which MSc line to graduate in.

If You plan to take courses other than listed in any MSc line, please select "Optional courses at any university (0-15 ECTS)" option below (choose the degree structure page).

Optional courses (counted to 105 credits quota)

H325427: Optional courses - MSc, molecular and cellular biology, 9 - 40 op

Optional courses

744623S: Yeast genetics, 6 op

743661S: Virology, 3 op

743660S: Introduction to immunology, 3 op

743696S: Final examination in molecular and cellular biology, 9 op

744618S: Dissertation, 18 op

744625S: Scientific presentation, 1 - 2 op

300002M: Advanced Information Skills, 1 op

756625S: Genetic transformation of plants, 4 - 8 op

756627S: Plant hormones, 5 op

747605S: Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods, 3 op

747608S: Biochemical methodologies II, 8 op

747611S: Biochemistry of protein folding, 3 op

747606S: Structural enzymology, 3 op

747604S: Introduction to biocomputing, 3 op

488321S: Bioreactor technology, 5 op

488305S: Advanced Course for Biotechnology, 5 op

580402S: Biomedical Imaging Methods, 1 - 5 op

040900S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 2,5 - 3 op

747612S: Introduction to structure-based drug discovery, 4 op

Optional courses at any university (0-15 ECTS)

H325432: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - MSc, 0 - 75 op

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746601S: Advanced studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

746605S: Advanced studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

B.Sc. degree with exchange, Biochemistry

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General studies (8 op)

General studies are obligatory for all students. For biochemists the Swedish courses are 3 credits.

902100Y: English for Biochemists 1, 3 op

740076Y: Orientation, 2 op

901051Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Oral Skills, 2 op

901050Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Written Skills, 1 op

Basic studies in biochemistry (30 op)

Basic studies are obligatory for all students.

740144P: Biochemical Methodologies I, 8 op

740143P: Biomolecules for Biochemists, 8 op

740146P: Metabolism I, 6 op

740145P: Physical Biochemistry, 6 op

740150P: Transferable skills for biochemists, 2 op

Intermediate studies in biochemistry (56 op)

Intermediate studies are obligatory for all students.

740362A: Cellular Biology, 6 op

740366A: Cellular Communication, 6 op

740376A: Essay (B.Sc. thesis), 10 op

740372A: Final Examination, 6 op

740377A: Maturity test (B.Sc. degree), 0 op

740367A: Metabolism II, 6 op

740363A: Microbiology, 6 op

740361A: Molecular Biology I, 8 op

740364A: Protein Chemistry I, 8 op

Chemistry (20 op)

The chemistry courses below are obligatory for all students.

780117P: General and Inorganic Chemistry A, 5 op

780118P: General and Inorganic Chemistry B, 5 op

780116P: Introduction to Organic Chemistry, 5 op

780123P: Introductory Laboratory Works in Chemistry, 5 op

Biology and statistics (18 op)

The courses below are obligatory for all students. Within the Concepts of genetics for biochemists course biochemists take parts 1 and 3 of course Concept of genetics (757109P, 5 ECTS cr).

- 806119P: A Second Course in Statistics, 5 op
- 750121P: Cell biology, 5 op
- 757122P: Concepts of genetics for biochemists, 3 op
- 806118P: Introduction to Statistics, 5 op

Appropriate language studies (enintään 10 op)

Appropriate compulsory language studies (max. 10 credits) should be taken prior the exchange period. The courses can be selected from repertoire of Language and Communication and/or Open university. Autumn yr2-autumn yr3 is the ideal period for these studies. If appropriate language course is a subject to a charge Dean for Education will accept the course before it starts. The language courses given by the host university at the beginning of exchange period will be accepted too. Students are recommended to check the study guide book of Extension school to find courses for students of all faculties.

Biochemical studies in the host university (12 - 30 op)

Studies taken in the host university can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

- 746103P: Basic studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op
- 746304A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Optional studies (vähintään 48 op)

BSc degree in biochemistry includes 48 credits of optional studies. Recommended optional courses are put together in the time table so that they do not clash with obligatory courses. However, students are free to select other university courses either in Finland or abroad. The content of courses must not be too similar to obligatory courses. Courses taken outside University of Oulu should be agreed with Jari Heikkinen in advance. BSc studies must include a minor subject that comprises at least 25op of basic / intermediate studies. Students are advised to do the minor subject in either chemistry or biology (compulsory studies in these subjects can be included in the 25op total).

If You add other than recommended optional courses please, select option "other optional studies".

Recommended optional studies

H325430: Recommended optional studies - BSc Int exchange, 4 - 30 op

Electives

- 781305A: Organic Chemistry I, 5 op
- 780119P: Introduction to Analytical Chemistry, 5 op
- 755323A: Animal physiology lectures, 5 op
- 030005P: Information Skills, 1 op
- 780329A: Laboratory Course I in Organic Chemistry, 4 op
- 740074Y: Tutoring/confidential posts, 1,5 op

Other optional studies

H325431: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - BSc, 0 - 75 op

Studies taken/ planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

- 746102P: Basic studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op
- 746103P: Basic studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

746300A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

746304A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

B.Sc. degree, Biochemistry

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General studies (8 op)

General studies are obligatory for all students. For biochemists the Swedish courses are 3 credits.

902100Y: English for Biochemists 1, 3 op

740076Y: Orientation, 2 op

901051Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Oral Skills, 2 op

901050Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Written Skills, 1 op

Basic studies in biochemistry (30 op)

Basic studies are obligatory for all students.

740144P: Biochemical Methodologies I, 8 op

740143P: Biomolecules for Biochemists, 8 op

740146P: Metabolism I, 6 op

740145P: Physical Biochemistry, 6 op

740150P: Transferable skills for biochemists, 2 op

Intermediate studies in biochemistry (56 op)

Intermediate studies are obligatory for all students.

740362A: Cellular Biology, 6 op

740366A: Cellular Communication, 6 op

740376A: Essay (B.Sc. thesis), 10 op

740372A: Final Examination, 6 op

740377A: Maturity test (B.Sc. degree), 0 op

740367A: Metabolism II, 6 op

740363A: Microbiology, 6 op

740361A: Molecular Biology I, 8 op

740364A: Protein Chemistry I, 8 op

Chemistry (20 op)

The chemistry courses below are obligatory for all students.

780117P: General and Inorganic Chemistry A, 5 op

780118P: General and Inorganic Chemistry B, 5 op

780116P: Introduction to Organic Chemistry, 5 op

780123P: Introductory Laboratory Works in Chemistry, 5 op

Biology and statistics (18 op)

The courses below are obligatory for all students. Within the Concepts of genetics for biochemists course biochemists take parts 1 and 3 of course Concept of genetics (757109P, 5 ECTS cr).

806119P: A Second Course in Statistics, 5 op
 750121P: Cell biology, 5 op
 757122P: Concepts of genetics for biochemists, 3 op
 806118P: Introduction to Statistics, 5 op

Optional studies (vähintään 48 op)

BSc degree in biochemistry includes 48 credits of optional studies. Recommended optional courses are put together in the time table so that they do not clash with obligatory courses. However, students are free to select other university courses either in Finland or abroad. The content of courses must not be too similar to obligatory courses. Courses taken outside University of Oulu should be agreed with Jari Heikkinen in advance. BSc studies must include a minor subject that comprises at least 25op of basic / intermediate studies. Students are advised to do the minor subject in either chemistry or biology (compulsory studies in these subjects can be included in the 25op total).

If You add other than recommended optional courses please, select option "other optional studies".

Recommended optional studies

H325420: Recommended optional studies - BSc, 4 - 51 op

Electives

781305A: Organic Chemistry I, 5 op
 780119P: Introduction to Analytical Chemistry, 5 op
 755323A: Animal physiology lectures, 5 op
 755327A: Animal physiology exercises, 5 op
 030005P: Information Skills, 1 op
 781307A: Laboratory Course I in Organic Chemistry, 5 op
 740379A: Introduction to immunology, 3 op
 740368A: Radiation and Safety, 5 op
 740371A: Physiological Biochemistry, 4 op
 740380A: Virology, 3 op
 040900S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 2,5 - 3 op
 755320A: Developmental biology-histology, lectures, 5 op

Compulsory

755320A-02: Developmental biology-histology, histology lectures, 0 op
 755320A-01: Developmental biology-histology, Developmental biology lectures, 0 op
 755317A: Developmental biology-histology, exercises, 5 op
 740074Y: Tutoring/confidential posts, 1,5 op

Other optional studies

H325431: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - BSc, 0 - 75 op

Studies taken/ planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

746102P: Basic studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op
 746103P: Basic studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op
 746300A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op
 746304A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op
 746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomat opintokokonaisuudet ja -jaksot

740148P: Biomolecules, 5 op
 740147P: Biomolecules for Bioscientists, 8 op
 743663S: Developmental biology, stem cells and tissue engineering, 5 op
 743662S: Extracellular matrix, 5 op
 740149P: Metabolism I, 4 op
 740374A: Microbiology, 3 op
 740373A: Molecular Biology I, 4 op
 740078Y: Working life course, 6 op

Opintojaksojen kuvaukset

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuuluvien opintokohteiden kuvaukset

H325423: Compulsory courses - Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 76 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Obligatory

747601S: Protein production and analysis, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

747618S Protein production and analysis 10.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

Int M.Sc. yr1 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell and discuss the relevance of protein structure, including post-translational modification, to protein function
- assess the techniques available to purify proteins and to study protein function and an appreciation of the applications and limitations of these techniques

- interpret a wide range of biochemical data and to solve problems relating to the interpretation of data relating to protein function and basic structural characterization

Contents:

This module provides an overview of recombinant protein production and analysis. Topics covered include an overview of DNA technology, PCR, cloning, mutagenesis, protein production, purification, enzyme catalysis, protein structure analysis, basic proteomics and mass spectrometry. This course covers some of the material taught in Protein Chemistry I (740364A) and Molekyylibiologia I (740361A) and therefore cannot be taken by students who have either of these modules.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

46 contact hours of lectures and seminars, 80 hours of lab

Target group:

Int MSc in Prot Sci

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

A BSc in biochemistry or a closely related subject.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (problem solving exercises, lab reports)
Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747608S: Biochemical methodologies II, 8 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Ulrich Bergmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

740365A Biochemical Methodologies II 8.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc 1st autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- describe the theoretical basis of the main biochemical analysis methods for proteins
- identify and use the different instruments
- describe the potential of the different analytical techniques and develop strategies for addressing specific questions in protein & proteome-analysis
- integrate data from multiple sources and evaluate it critically

Contents:

During this module students will analyze their own protein samples. The course will cover principles and practical applications of some of the more advanced methodologies used in practical biochemistry, including fluorescence spectroscopy, stopped flow analysis of enzymatic reactions, circular dichroism, surface plasmon resonance, micro-calorimetry, mass spectrometry, and proteomics based on 2D electrophoresis. For assessment each student has to write a research report in the style of a scientific publication. Attendance is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

120 h lab., including pre-lab lectures plus exercises

Target group:

Obligatory for M.Sc. in Protein Science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Protein production and analysis (747601S) or Protein chemistry I (740364A)

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Report written in style of a scientific publication

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Ulrich Bergmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747691S: Pro gradu experimental work in protein science and biotechnology, 28 op

Opiskeluoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Practical training

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

28 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

After the experimental work students is able to:

- undertake scientific research with supervision using typical methods in biochemistry
- plan and perform experiments in laboratory, perform efficient time management, consider his motivation and how to improve that, work independently and as part of a team
- identify and solve practical problems, record and critically evaluate data

Contents:

This module provides an extensive, 6 month, project in a research group. The experimental work can be started after 30 op of Master studies have been completed. Students are responsible for finding a suitable research group in which they wish to undertake the Pro Gradu work. Students should produce a short (typically 2 page) study plan detailing the proposed content of their Pro Gradu work, supervisor(s) and start date which must be approved before they start work. The Pro Gradu thesis is based only on the work done during the first 6 months of work by the student on the project, except in cases of mitigating circumstances. The work may be undertaken in the research groups of Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine or in any other suitable research group in Finland or abroad.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Laboratory work of six months

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

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747692S: Pro gradu thesis in protein science and biotechnology, 20 op

Opiskeluoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Diploma thesis

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

20 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr2

Learning outcomes:

On successful completion of this course, the student is able to:

- retrieve and appraise information critically and integrate information to new entity
- communicate in science and make and defend scientific arguments.

Contents:

The Pro gradu thesis (typically around 50-60 pages long) is based on the experimental work undertaken by the student and the contextualization of the research and the results based on the published literature in the field. For detailed instructions see <http://www oulu.fi/fbmm>.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

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Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Written thesis

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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740672S: Maturity test (M.Sc. degree), 0 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

0 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr2

Learning outcomes:

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Contents:

Will be written in context to Pro gradu thesis. In the test student must show a good command of both language skills and their field of Pro gradu thesis. If student's native language is not Finnish or Swedish Faculty of Science will define language in the test.

Target group:

Majos students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Written abstract of Pro Gradu thesis

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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Orientation to research work: work done in an academic or industrial research group. Orientation to biochemical work: work done in a non research group environment. For Int MSc in protein science and biotechnology line the sum of credits of both courses must be 12-18 ECTS cr.

744617S: Orientation to research work, 0 - 20 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Practical training

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

12 - 20 credits (see Other information)

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr 1

Learning outcomes:

After this course student has gained experience of practical work done in research groups. Student is able to:

- demonstrate goal-oriented teamwork
- apply methods used in proper environment
- discuss the practical work done and reflect his knowledge

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to research work via the active integration of students into research groups and/or via one to two week advanced practical courses. The integration into groups can be either full-time or part-time research work, with 1.5op being awarded for each full-time week equivalent worked. A maximum of 6op can be awarded for working in one research group. The research groups do not need to be in the Faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine, University of Oulu, but advance permission should be sought if the research group is not part of the University of Oulu.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Research work

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

The sum of credits from courses 744624S and 744617S must be 12-20 credits (for Int MSc in protein science line 12-18 credits)

744624S: Orientation to biochemical work, 0 - 20 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Practical training

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744629S Orientation to biochemical work 0.0 op

744617S Orientation to research work 0.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

12-20 credits (see Other information)

Language of instruction:

English/Finnish

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1

Learning outcomes:

After this course student has gained experience of practical work done in non-research group environment. Student is able to:

- demonstrate goal-oriented teamwork
- apply methods used in proper environment
- discuss the practical work done and reflect his knowledge

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to non-research work in companies or other suitable environment. The work can be either full-time or part-time work, with 1.5op being awarded for each full-time week equivalent worked. A maximum of 6op can be awarded for working in one work placements. Each placement must be agreed in advance with the responsible person.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

non-research work

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

The sum of credits from courses 744624S and 744617S must be 12-20 credits (for Int MSc in protein science line 12-18 credits)

H325425: Optional specialist courses - MSc / Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 11,5 - 21,5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)

747605S: Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Wierenga Rikkert

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744615S Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- describe the key aspects of the protein crystallization methods
- describe the importance of crystals for obtaining the structure of a protein
- describe the importance of the Fourier transform method in the structure determination method
- describe the phase problem
- describe the importance of the anomalous differences

Contents:

The course will describe the principles of x-ray diffraction theory. It will focus on aspects used in the field of protein crystallography including following topics: Crystallisation of proteins, symmetry properties of crystals, X-ray sources and detectors, the diffraction pattern and the reciprocal lattice, the phase problem, isomorphous differences and the MIR-method, anomalous differences and the MAD-method.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein Science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules and Protein chemistry I or Protein production and analysis or equivalent

Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

Drenth, J.: Principles of protein X-ray crystallography (2nd edition); Blow, D.: Outline of crystallography for biologists (1st edition, 2002)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Rik Wierenga

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747606S: Structural enzymology, 3 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Wierenga Rikkert**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss the methods that are used to crystallize proteins
- describe the basic concepts of the transition state theory
- define the relation between reaction rates and free energy barriers
- describe enzyme reaction mechanisms
- describe the concepts of catalytic bases and acids
- illustrate active site strain
- tell the importance of active site electrostatics
- describe the concept of transition state analogues

Contents:

General and specific aspects of the reaction mechanism of several well studied enzymes will be discussed. It will include the serine proteases (such as chymotrypsin and trypsin). The following topics will be addressed: Chemical catalysis, transition state theory, forces stabilizing the enzyme-ligand interaction, structural properties of proteins, enzyme kinetics, crystallization of proteins, general aspects of enzyme catalysed reactions, reaction mechanisms of serine proteases, transition state analogues. The course is aimed at biochemistry and chemistry students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Rikkert Wierenga

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747611S: Biochemistry of protein folding, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.06.2011 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Lloyd Ruddock**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

747602S Biochemistry of protein folding 2.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc., yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- present and discuss issues presented in the primary literature on a variety of aspects of protein folding.
- display an understanding of the theoretical and practical implications of *in vivo*, *in vitro* and *in silico* studies on protein folding and the integration of results.
- demonstrate the ability to interpret a wide range of data from multiple sources, to critically evaluate and contextualise this data and to solve problems relating to interpretation.

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to protein folding *in vivo*. Topics covered include protein folding and quality control in the endoplasmic reticulum, mechanisms regulating protein folding including the unfolded protein response, the catalysis of native disulphide bond formation, the biochemistry of molecular chaperones and the role of molecular chaperones and protein folding catalysts in other cellular events.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

16 contact hours of lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Protein chemistry I (740364A) or Protein production and analysis (747601S) or equivalent

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

The module is assessed based on a report prepared on individual topics and on participation in the seminars.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

744619S: Systems biology, 4 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Gonghong Wei**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

4 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. 1st-2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course student is able to define the cell as an ensemble of structural and functional parts. He is also able to connect and describe their current knowledge on cellular, molecular and structural biology into a general view. The student is also able to assess scientific information critically on novel research findings and the problems associated with massive amounts of novel scientific information.

Contents:

The module aims to give a holistic picture of the cell as a system. Cells contain numerous molecules and complex structures that interact with each other to form complex interaction networks such that when taken together they form a new whole, which cannot be understood by just investigating the parts. Methods to collect and assemble biological/biochemical information for systems analysis will be introduced.

Possibilities of systems approach will be critically discussed in relation to available research techniques, techniques of the future, applications, research targets, as well as from the philosophical and ethical point of view including applicability of the systems theory in biosciences.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

The module consists of 22 h of lectures, discussions and case studies, ca. 5h of computing exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

B.Sc. in biochemistry or a related subject or otherwise adequate knowledge on cellular, molecular and structural biology.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Study diaries will be assessed for a mark on scale 1 to 5 upon request. Otherwise marking will be Pass/fail. There is no exam and thus presence on certain amount of the course is compulsory. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Gonghong Wei

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747603S: Bioinformatics, 2,5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

2.5 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion student are able to:

- use web-based bioinformatics tools.
- process the information and find solutions to various problems
- analyse and present the findings in the form of a report

Contents:

This course introduces basic concepts and methodology in bioinformatic research. Basic computational methods of DNA and protein handling and database searches are introduced. Other methods may include joining database and proteomic searches and structural analysis of proteins. After this course a student has insight of basic methodology of bioinformatics.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

8 hr lectures, 30 h practicals. Attendance at practicals is obligatory.

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic knowledge in Biochemistry is preferable but not required.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Deborah Harrus

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

747604S: Introduction to biocomputing, 3 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** André Juffer**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss several biocomputing techniques
- decide which method to use under what circumstances
- judge the quality of an analysis of a given problem by means of biocomputing techniques

Contents:

An overview is given of commonly employed techniques of biocomputing to study the structural, dynamical, functional and thermodynamical properties of proteins and membranes and their interaction with other molecules. This will include a overview of computer simulation techniques such as molecular dynamics, Monte Carlo and Langevin (stochastic, Brownian) dynamics, but also concepts of continuum electrostatics, statistical thermodynamics, protein modeling techniques, protein-ligand affinity calculations and the computer simulation of the protein folding process and enzyme action. In addition, some topics in the field of Bioinformatics are discussed as well and certain commonly employed protein modeling software is introduced.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, student tasks

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

-

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended books:

Leach, A.R., *Molecular modelling. Principles and applications*, Second edition, Prentice Hall, New York, 2001Berendsen, H.J.C *Simulating the physical world. Hierarchical modeling from quantum mechanics to fluid dynamics.*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2007**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Presentation, group discussion

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Person responsible:

André Juffer

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747612S: Introduction to structure-based drug discovery, 4 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.01.2014 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Lari Lehtiö**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

747615S Introduction to structure-based drug discovery 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

After completion of this course student should be able to:

- Find and analyze a protein structure of interest from databases from the point of view of drug discovery
- Critically assess a quality of an experimental protein-small molecule complex structure
- Discuss the process of creating a virtual small molecule library
- Describe the commonly used computational methods for screening of small molecule libraries against a protein target
- Critically judge the results of the computational screening

Contents:

The course will consist of assignments, lectures and a project work carried out during the course in study groups. Groups will present their project plans and the results. All students will give feedback and share ideas during the discussions. The project carried out during the course will be supported by lectures and discussions. The final mark comprises marks from continuous assessment, active participation to the group

work and oral exam. Attendance to some parts of the course is compulsory. The course has limited enrollment for 24 students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face and web based teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Seminar days, practicals, group work, student presentations and discussions

Target group:

MSc in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

BSc in biochemistry or a related subject, Protein Chemistry I or Protein production and analysis

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, presentations, oral exam

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lari Lehtiö

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

H325429: Optional courses - Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 4,5 - 32,5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Optional courses

744618S: Dissertation, 18 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744631S Dissertation 15.0 op

ECTS Credits:

18 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- apply information in the right context, integrate information from a wide range of sources and evaluate it critically
- communicate science in extensive written format and discuss and defend scientific arguments
- demonstrate independent work including self motivation, planning, organizational skills and time management.

Contents:

This module is based around the student producing an extensive, in-depth literature report in the style of a scientific review. Students are responsible for finding a suitable supervisor for their dissertation with whom they will discuss the scientific background and relevant literature. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their supervisor weekly to discuss progress and ideas and to resolve problems. A one-page outline of the dissertation subject area, including details of the supervisor (who need not be from the University of Oulu), must be approved by the module convener before starting this module. While the dissertation subject can be closely linked with the Pro Gradu project subject, students are advised that having distinct topics for these two modules will look better on their CV.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

480 hours of student work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Written report

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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744625S: Scientific presentation, 1 - 2 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.03.2012 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

1-2 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish and English

Timing:

M.Sc.

Learning outcomes:

The student makes a presentation and participates in an international scientific conference with their own presentation. The presentation may be a poster, a talk or equivalent. The student uses the skills learned in the B.Sc. or otherwise in planning and realizing the presentation. The student practices communication skills necessary for research work.

Contents:

Student participates in a conference and delivers a poster, a talk or equivalent. The contents of which must include student's own results, for example from the Master's Thesis work. The pro gradu supervisor or other suitable person supervises the planning and realization of the presentation.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

A poster, a talk or equivalent is delivered. The workload of the course may vary depending on the extent and the form of presentation.

Target group:

Major students (MSc)

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

No compulsory preceding courses

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Study diary, a copy of presentation or poster

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

The amount of credits is estimated based on the workload of the planning and realization of the presentation, but not the length of the meeting.

747693S: Final examination in protein science and biotechnology, 9 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

9 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students should be able to:

- discuss the full breadth of the core topics of biochemistry, protein science and biotechnology
- Integrate material from multiple sources

Contents:

This examination will test the ability of students to integrate knowledge from BSc and MSc level protein science and biotechnology. The questions will require an understanding of the principles of biochemistry and protein science and will be based on subject specific material from relevant BSc and MSc level modules. The format will be an oral examination.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Student self-study

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

030008P: Information Skills for foreign degree students, 1 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Technology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Sassali, Jani Henrik, Ursula Heinikoski

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

488321S: Bioreactor technology, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Process and Environmental Engineering

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

488304S Bioreactor Technology 6.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS /133 hours of work

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

The course is held in autumn semester during period 2. It is recommended to complete the course in the 4th (1st Master's) year.

Learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the student will be able to verbally describe the most common equipment, materials and methods related to biotechnological processes, microbial growth and cultivation and sterilization. The student will be able to apply different mathematical formulas for biocatalysis and for the bioreactor performance and use those to plan and analyze bioprocesses. The student will also be able to produce, analyze and interpret data from bioprocesses.

Contents:

Biotechnological process: General process schemes, batch, fed-batch and continuous processes, biocatalysts and raw materials. Reactor design and instrumentation. Sterilization: kinetics of heat inactivation and practical implementation of sterilization methods. Mathematical description and quantification of the function of biocatalysts. Monod and Michaelis-Menten models, reaction rates and their determination. The lag phase of growth, cellular maintenance, cell death. Kinetics of product and by-product formation. Kinetics of oxygen and heat transfer. Oxygen and heat balances: significance and calculations. Power consumption. Scale-up and scale-down.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 50 h / exercises 8 h / homework 16 h / self-study 59 h.

Target group:

Master students in bioprocess engineering. Master students in process engineering, environmental engineering and biochemistry with required prerequisites.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

The previous bachelor level courses in Process or Environmental Engineering (especially 488309A Biocatalysis, 488052A Introduction to Bioproduct and Bioprocess Engineering) or respective knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Lectures: Lecture hand outs; Doran, P. M. Bioprocess engineering principles. Academic Press. London, 2010. Supplementary material: Villadsen J., Nielsen J., Liden G. Bioreactor engineering principles. Springer Verlag, 2011.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lectures, exercises, final exam, homework. Grade will be composed of final exam, exercises and homework.

Read more about the course assessment and grading systems of the University of Oulu at www.oulu.fi/english/studying/assessment

Grading:

The course unit utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

University teacher Johanna Panula-Perälä

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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488305S: Advanced Course for Biotechnology, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Process and Environmental Engineering

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Sanna Taskila

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

480450S Bioprocesses III 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS /133 hours of work

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

The course is held in spring semester during period 3. It is recommended to complete the course in the 4th (1st Master's) year.

Learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the student will be able to describe the most important techniques - both up- and downstream - in biotechnological production of proteins and metabolites.

Contents:

Microbial homologous and heterologous protein production. Physiological and process related items in the production of selected microbial metabolites. Principles and practices in metabolic engineering. Methods for process intensification. Scale-up of bioprocesses. Unit operations in product recovery and purification.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 36 h / homework 48 h / self-study 49 h.

Target group:

Master students in bioprocess engineering. Master students in process engineering, environmental engineering and biochemistry with required prerequisites.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Courses 488309A Biocatalysis, 488052A Introduction to Bioproduct and Bioprocess Engineering and 488304S Bioreactor technology, or respective knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Will be announced at the lectures.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lectures and final examination, exercises and the report. Grade will be composed of homework exercises and reports or final examination. Read more about the course assessment and grading systems of the University of Oulu at www.oulu.fi/english/studying/assessment.

Grading:

The course unit utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Dr. Sanna Taskila

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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744623S: Yeast genetics, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Alexander Kastaniotis

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744616S Yeast genetics and molecular biology 2.5 op

744613S Yeast genetics 1.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3-6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell a basic knowledge of yeast genetics and physiology
- tell the basic principles of using the yeast model organism to address fundamental genetic and cell biological problems
- (practical course) describe variety of genetic and molecular biology techniques commonly used to manipulate baker's yeast in the pursuit of biological questions

Contents:

This course is an introduction to *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* as a model organism and the use of classical and molecular genetic approaches in this yeast to study basic cellular processes. We will also focus on genetic screens and selections designed to identify targets of interest. Aspects of transcriptional regulation will be discussed to provide a basic understanding for some of the screens and selections introduced. The lecture part is open to all students that fulfill the enrollment requirements, and equals 3 op. Performance in the course will be assessed by participation in the course review session at the beginning of each lecture (10% of total grade) and by a final written examination. The practical part of this is a block practical spread over two weeks (2 days – 3 days – 2 days – 3 days) running almost parallel to lecture course. It is designed to provide training in techniques and concepts commonly used in yeast genetics (streaking, spotting, mating, tetrad analysis, transformation, colony-color based assays, carbon source-dependent expression of genes, as well as generation and cloning of mutants). This part of the course has limited enrollment for 16 people.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

16 h lectures, 10 days practical, final exam and oral participation in course review session

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Course review sessions, final exam, experiment reports

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Alexander Kastaniotis

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

743661S: Virology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

740380A Virology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-2 spring (starts 2015)

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss the major groups of viruses and their infection and replication mechanisms
- present and discuss characteristic features of specific viruses and their relation to pathogenesis and immunity
- describe diagnostic methods and antiviral therapy

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of virology. The main emphasis will be made on viral infection, replication, transcription, proteinsynthesis, virological diagnostics, infection kinetics, defense against viruses, ways of infection, vaccination, and antiviral therapy. The course involves lectures 10h and 10h seminars where the students should be able to recapitulate major aspects of the taught material in 5-7 min presentations.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 h lectures and student presentations in seminars

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as Virology (740380A).

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743660S: Introduction to immunology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Valerio Izzì

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740379A Introduction to immunology 3.0 op

740378A Basic immunobiology for biochemists 3.0 op

741661S Immunobiology 3.0 op

740369A Immunobiology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn or M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course students will be able to identify, analyze and apply essential cellular molecules, components and mechanisms related to immunology, and complete their previous knowledge of molecular and cellular biology and protein chemistry with immunobiochemistry issues.

Contents:

The course handles both unspecific and specific immune response mechanisms, antibody structure and diversity, antibody-based immunodiagnostics, as well as basics of virus biochemistry.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures (12 h), a written home exercise, and a final exam

Target group:

MSc/ molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Preliminary required courses: Molekyylibiologia I, Protein chemistry I and Solun biologia, or equivalent basic molecular biology, protein chemistry and cell biology studies.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Home exercise, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Valerio Izzi

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as 740379A Introduction to immunology. Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743659S: Biochemistry of cell organelles, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2010 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Vasily Antonenkov

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

743656S Biochemistry of cell organelles 2.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- Describe structure and function of the key cell organelles
- Discuss role of organelles in pathology
- Characterize metabolites transfer and action of channels and transporters
- Assess basic principles of biogenesis of cell organelles

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of cell and membrane biology providing knowledge on structure and function of mitochondria, endoplasmic reticulum (ER) and peroxisomes. More detailed discussion will be on aspects of mitochondrial inheritance, function in health and diseases, mitophagy, role of organelles in aging, lipid synthesis in ER, intra- and extracellular transfer of lipids, structural and functional properties of membrane channels and transporters, soluble metabolite-transfer proteins, integration of different functions in peroxisomes. In addition to lectures (16 h) the course involves two seminars (4 h) where the students should present reports of cellular lipid traffic and isolation of cellular organelles.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and student presentations in seminars

Target group:

Major students/Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

B.Sc. in biochemistry or biology or otherwise adequate knowledge on basic biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Vasily Antonenkov

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743657S: Tumor cell biology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2010 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- name, list and discuss the major aspects including formation of a tumor cell
- present, describe and discuss characteristic aspects of oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes
- use methods to study, examine and to analyse tumor genesis and tumor progression

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of the main pathways inducing formation of a tumor. The main emphasis will be made on the formation of oncogenes, the action of tumor suppressor genes and the induction of tumors by viruses.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

580402S: Biomedical Imaging Methods, 1 - 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Health Sciences

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Simo Saarakkala

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

1-5 ECTS credit points / 27-135 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

Master studies, spring. The course is not organized every year.

Learning outcomes:

The student understands and can describe the basic principles and main applications of imaging methods used in biomedical research.

Contents:

Differences between in vivo, ex vivo and in vitro imaging. Light and electron microscopy. Optical projection and coherence tomography. Optical in vivo imaging. Magnetic resonance imaging. Fourier transform infrared imaging spectroscopy. Raman imaging spectroscopy. Micro-computed tomography. Ultrasound imaging. Basics of image analysis and interpretation.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Differences between in vivo, ex vivo and in vitro imaging. Light and electron microscopy. Optical projection and coherence tomography. Optical in vivo imaging. Magnetic resonance imaging. Fourier transform infrared imaging spectroscopy. Raman imaging spectroscopy. Micro-computed tomography. Ultrasound imaging. Basics of image analysis and interpretation.

Target group:

Master Students of Medical and Wellness technology and Biomedical Engineering and all other who are interested in methods of biomedical imaging

Recommended or required reading:

Required literature is given in the lectures.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Participation in the lectures and demonstrations, study diary. Exercises. Written exam. The course can be taken as 1, 2, 3 or 5 ECTS.

1 ECTS # participation in the lectures

2 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations

3 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations + practical assignment

5 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations + practical assignment and final exam

Grading:

The 1, 2 or 3 ECTS courses utilize verbal grading: pass or fail. The 5 ECTS course utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Associate Professor Simo Saarakkala

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This course is a part of specialization of Biomedical Technology and Medical imaging.

756625S: Genetic transformation of plants, 4 - 8 op

Voimassaolo: - 31.07.2015

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Häggman, Hely Margaretha

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

756652S Genetic transformation of plants 5.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

756627S: Plant hormones, 5 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Field of Biology**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Häggman, Hely Margaretha**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

4 ECTS credits / 107 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English.

Timing:

M.Sc. 1 st or 2 nd spring, (arranged if resources allow).

Learning outcomes:

The students will assess the plant hormone action, understand hormone interactions and the significance of the hormone balance as well as the molecular mechanisms.

Contents:

Plant hormones are signalling molecules with profound effects on growth and development at trace quantities. Until quite recently plant development was considered to be regulated by auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, ethylene and abscisic acid. New analytical and molecular methods have evidenced new plant hormone receptors and signalling pathways. During the lectures the mode of action of the hormones and the latest literature is used to gain the most recent view of the topic.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h and exam.

Target group:

Suitable for BSb and ecophysicologists.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basics of functional plant biology lectures and exercises (752345A, 756341A).

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Chapters concerning plant hormones from Taiz, L. & Zeiger, E. 2010: Plant Physiology. Sinauer Associates Inc. 5. ed. and literature given in the lectures.

The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

Assessment methods and criteria:

Exam.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Hely Häggman.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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902101Y: English for Biochemists 2, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 - 31.08.2016**Opiskelumuoto:** Language and Communication Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Negotiated Education**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay902101Y English for Biochemists 2 (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Proficiency level:

C1 on the CEFR scale

Status:

Compulsory for all fourth-year biochemistry master's degree students.

Required proficiency level:

Participants are expected to have studied English as an A1 or A2 language at school or to have acquired equivalent skills elsewhere.

ECTS Credits:

3 ECTS credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

spring term

Learning outcomes:

The course aims to help you acquire understanding of the conventions and expectations of the academic community of biochemists for scientific reporting, and develop presentation and writing skills for your future professional life.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, you are expected to be able to

1. write a research article that follows the main discourse conventions of biochemistry
2. prepare and deliver an oral scientific presentation supported by an effective slideshow
3. apply the rules of referencing
4. use a sufficient range of appropriate academic vocabulary relevant to your discipline
5. write with a good level of linguistic accuracy and correct punctuation
6. structure your work for optimal clarity and impact
7. make good use of feedback from peers and teachers to improve your own scientific production.

Contents:

This course will cover presentation skills (1 ECTS credit) and writing for scientific purposes (2 ECTS credits).

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching and web-supported feedback

Learning activities and teaching methods:Contact teaching 24 hours, optional tutorials / independent work 56 hrs. Attendance at all classroom sessions is **compulsory**.**Target group:**

4th year biochemistry students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

It is recommended that students have completed 902100Y English for Biochemists 1 or an equivalent course.

Recommended or required reading:

Course materials will be provided by the teacher in electronic form, to be downloaded and brought to class.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Assessment is based on regular completion and quality of course tasks, with particular emphasis on the final product of each part of the course: the final presentation and the final draft of a research article in biochemistry.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

Pass/Fail

Person responsible:

Eva Braidwood (presentation skills) and Suzy McAnsh (scientific writing)

Working life cooperation:

-

Other information:

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040900S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 2,5 - 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Laboratory Animal Centre

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Voipio Hanna-marja

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

040911S Using animals in research - carrying out procedures 3.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

H325432: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - MSc, 0 - 75 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Studies taken/ planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses"-tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

746601S: Advanced studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746605S: Advanced studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock
Opintokohteen kielet: English
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -
Opiskelumuoto: Other Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Karppinen, Peppi Leena Elina
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

H325422: Compulsory courses - MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 77 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -
Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Study module
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Compulsory courses

744620S: Protein chemistry II, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Lari Lehtiö
Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:
 3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course, the students are able to:

- describe professional literature dealing with advanced techniques of protein analysis
- plan and implement the purification of a given protein on a large scale
- present and explain work related to protein purification and analysis

Contents:

This module provides a “real-life” approach to practical protein chemistry, including purification, biophysical analysis, enzymatics, etc. It comprises a small number of revision lectures, but it is primarily based on problem solving based exercises with a further level of complexity built in compared with Protein Chemistry I. The module includes a student presentation, but does not include a final examination. The final mark comprises marks from continuous assessment. Attendance of some parts of the course is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

12 h seminars, plus exercises and a student report

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Lari Lehtiö ja Teemu Haikarainen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

744621S: Molecular biology II, 3 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Elitsa Dimova**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course students are able to:

- discuss the general features of DNA manipulating/amplifying enzymes
- design (on paper or in silico) oligonucleotides for PCR amplification, set up restriction digests and ligation reactions in order to carry out basic and advanced cloning procedures
- use basic tools used in the genetic manipulation of mice

Contents:

This module provides a “real-life” approach to practical molecular biology, including DNA cloning strategies, site directed mutagenesis, generation of transgenic mice, etc. It comprises concept overview lectures, but it is primarily based on complex problem solving based exercises including written reports and group student presentations, but does not include a final examination. The final mark comprises marks from continuous assessment. Attendance of the course is required.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

12 h seminars, plus student presentations

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

The course is designed for students familiar with DNA organization, gene structure & genetic concepts (ORF, codon, heterologous and homologous recombination).

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Written report, student presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Elitsa Dimova

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

747608S: Biochemical methodologies II, 8 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Ulrich Bergmann**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc 1st autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- describe the theoretical basis of the main biochemical analysis methods for proteins
- identify and use the different instruments
- describe the potential of the different analytical techniques and develop strategies for addressing specific questions in protein & proteome-analysis
- integrate data from multiple sources and evaluate it critically

Contents:

During this module students will analyze their own protein samples. The course will cover principles and practical applications of some of the more advanced methodologies used in practical biochemistry, including fluorescence spectroscopy, stopped flow analysis of enzymatic reactions, circular dichroism, surface plasmon resonance, micro-calorimetry, mass spectrometry, and proteomics based on 2D electrophoresis. For assessment each student has to write a research report in the style of a scientific publication. Attendance is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

120 h lab., including pre-lab lectures plus exercises

Target group:

Obligatory for M.Sc. in Protein Science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Protein production and analysis (747601S) or Protein chemistry I (740364A)

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Report written in style of a scientific publication

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Ulrich Bergmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

902101Y: English for Biochemists 2, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 - 31.08.2016**Opiskelumuoto:** Language and Communication Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Negotiated Education

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

ay902101Y English for Biochemists 2 (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Proficiency level:

C1 on the CEFR scale

Status:

Compulsory for all fourth-year biochemistry master's degree students.

Required proficiency level:

Participants are expected to have studied English as an A1 or A2 language at school or to have acquired equivalent skills elsewhere.

ECTS Credits:

3 ECTS credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

spring term

Learning outcomes:

The course aims to help you acquire understanding of the conventions and expectations of the academic community of biochemists for scientific reporting, and develop presentation and writing skills for your future professional life.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, you are expected to be able to

1. write a research article that follows the main discourse conventions of biochemistry
2. prepare and deliver an oral scientific presentation supported by an effective slideshow
3. apply the rules of referencing
4. use a sufficient range of appropriate academic vocabulary relevant to your discipline
5. write with a good level of linguistic accuracy and correct punctuation
6. structure your work for optimal clarity and impact
7. make good use of feedback from peers and teachers to improve your own scientific production.

Contents:

This course will cover presentation skills (1 ECTS credit) and writing for scientific purposes (2 ECTS credits).

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching and web-supported feedback

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Contact teaching 24 hours, optional tutorials / independent work 56 hrs. Attendance at all classroom sessions is **compulsory**.

Target group:

4th year biochemistry students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

It is recommended that students have completed 902100Y English for Biochemists 1 or an equivalent course.

Recommended or required reading:

Course materials will be provided by the teacher in electronic form, to be downloaded and brought to class.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Assessment is based on regular completion and quality of course tasks, with particular emphasis on the final product of each part of the course: the final presentation and the final draft of a research article in biochemistry.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

Pass/Fail

Person responsible:

Eva Braidwood (presentation skills) and Suzy McAnsh (scientific writing)

Working life cooperation:

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Other information:

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747691S: Pro gradu experimental work in protein science and biotechnology, 28 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Practical training**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Lloyd Ruddock**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

28 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

After the experimental work students is able to:

- undertake scientific research with supervision using typical methods in biochemistry
- plan and perform experiments in laboratory, perform efficient time management, consider his motivation and how to improve that, work independently and as part of a team
- identify and solve practical problems, record and critically evaluate data

Contents:

This module provides an extensive, 6 month, project in a research group. The experimental work can be started after 30 op of Master studies have been completed. Students are responsible for finding a suitable research group in which they wish to undertake the Pro Gradu work. Students should produce a short (typically 2 page) study plan detailing the proposed content of their Pro Gradu work, supervisor(s) and start date which must be approved before they start work. The Pro Gradu thesis is based only on the work done during the first 6 months of work by the student on the project, except in cases of mitigating circumstances. The work may be undertaken in the research groups of Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine or in any other suitable research group in Finland or abroad.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Laboratory work of six months

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

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747692S: Pro gradu thesis in protein science and biotechnology, 20 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Diploma thesis

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

20 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr2

Learning outcomes:

On successful completion of this course, the student is able to:

- retrieve and appraise information critically and integrate information to new entity
- communicate in science and make and defend scientific arguments.

Contents:

The Pro gradu thesis (typically around 50-60 pages long) is based on the experimental work undertaken by the student and the contextualization of the research and the results based on the published literature in the field. For detailed instructions see <http://www oulu.fi/fbmm>.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

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Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Written thesis

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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740672S: Maturity test (M.Sc. degree), 0 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

0 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr2

Learning outcomes:

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Contents:

Will be written in context to Pro gradu thesis. In the test student must show a good command of both language skills and their field of Pro gradu thesis. If student's native language is not Finnish or Swedish Faculty of Science will define language in the test.

Target group:

Majos students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Written abstract of Pro Gradu thesis

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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Orientation to research work: work done in an academic or industrial research group. Orientation to biochemical work: work done in a non research group environment. The sum of credits of both courses must be 12-20 ECTS.

744617S: Orientation to research work, 0 - 20 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Practical training**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jari Heikkinen**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä**ECTS Credits:**

12 - 20 credits (see Other information)

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr 1

Learning outcomes:

After this course student has gained experience of practical work done in research groups. Student is able to:

- demonstrate goal-oriented teamwork
- apply methods used in proper environment
- discuss the practical work done and reflect his knowledge

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to research work via the active integration of students into research groups and/or via one to two week advanced practical courses. The integration into groups can be either full-time or part-time research work, with 1.5op being awarded for each full-time week equivalent worked. A maximum of 6op can be awarded for working in one research group. The research groups do not need to be in the Faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine, University of Oulu, but advance permission should be sought if the research group is not part of the University of Oulu.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Research work

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

The sum of credits from courses 744624S and 744617S must be 12-20 credits (for Int MSc in protein science line 12-18 credits)

744624S: Orientation to biochemical work, 0 - 20 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Practical training

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744629S Orientation to biochemical work 0.0 op

744617S Orientation to research work 0.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

12-20 credits (see Other information)

Language of instruction:

English/Finnish

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1

Learning outcomes:

After this course student has gained experience of practical work done in non-research group environment. Student is able to:

- demonstrate goal-oriented teamwork
- apply methods used in proper environment
- discuss the practical work done and reflect his knowledge

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to non-research work in companies or other suitable environment. The work can be either full-time or part-time work, with 1.5op being awarded for each full-time week equivalent worked. A maximum of 6op can be awarded for working in one work placements. Each placement must be agreed in advance with the responsible person.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

non-research work

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

The sum of credits from courses 744624S and 744617S must be 12-20 credits (for Int MSc in protein science line 12-18 credits)

H325425: Optional specialist courses - MSc / Int MSc, Protein science and biotechnology, 11,5 - 21,5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)

747605S: Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Wierenga Rikkert

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744615S Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- describe the key aspects of the protein crystallization methods
- describe the importance of crystals for obtaining the structure of a protein
- describe the importance of the Fourier transform method in the structure determination method
- describe the phase problem
- describe the importance of the anomalous differences

Contents:

The course will describe the principles of x-ray diffraction theory. It will focus on aspects used in the field of protein crystallography including following topics: Crystallisation of proteins, symmetry properties of crystals, X-ray sources and detectors, the diffraction pattern and the reciprocal lattice, the phase problem, isomorphous differences and the MIR-method, anomalous differences and the MAD-method.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein Science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules and Protein chemistry I or Protein production and analysis or equivalent

Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

Drenth, J.: Principles of protein X-ray crystallography (2nd edition); Blow, D.: Outline of crystallography for biologists (1st edition, 2002)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Rik Wierenga

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747606S: Structural enzymology, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Wierenga Rikkert

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss the methods that are used to crystallize proteins
- describe the basic concepts of the transition state theory
- define the relation between reaction rates and free energy barriers
- describe enzyme reaction mechanisms
- describe the concepts of catalytic bases and acids
- illustrate active site strain
- tell the importance of active site electrostatics
- describe the concept of transition state analogues

Contents:

General and specific aspects of the reaction mechanism of several well studied enzymes will be discussed. It will include the serine proteases (such as chymotrypsin and trypsin). The following topics will be addressed: Chemical catalysis, transition state theory, forces stabilizing the enzyme-ligand interaction,

structural properties of proteins, enzyme kinetics, crystallization of proteins, general aspects of enzyme catalysed reactions, reaction mechanisms of serine proteases, transition state analogues. The course is aimed at biochemistry and chemistry students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Rikkert Wierenga

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747611S: Biochemistry of protein folding, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.06.2011 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

747602S Biochemistry of protein folding 2.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc., yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- present and discuss issues presented in the primary literature on a variety of aspects of protein folding.
- display an understanding of the theoretical and practical implications of *in vivo*, *in vitro* and *in silico* studies on protein folding and the integration of results.

- demonstrate the ability to interpret a wide range of data from multiple sources, to critically evaluate and contextualise this data and to solve problems relating to interpretation.

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to protein folding in vivo. Topics covered include protein folding and quality control in the endoplasmic reticulum, mechanisms regulating protein folding including the unfolded protein response, the catalysis of native disulphide bond formation, the biochemistry of molecular chaperones and the role of molecular chaperones and protein folding catalysts in other cellular events.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

16 contact hours of lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Protein chemistry I (740364A) or Protein production and analysis (747601S) or equivalent

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

The module is assessed based on a report prepared on individual topics and on participation in the seminars.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

744619S: Systems biology, 4 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Gonghong Wei

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. 1st-2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course student is able to define the cell as an ensemble of structural and functional parts. He is also able to connect and describe their current knowledge on cellular, molecular and structural biology into

a general view. The student is also able to assess scientific information critically on novel research findings and the problems associated with massive amounts of novel scientific information.

Contents:

The module aims to give a holistic picture of the cell as a system. Cells contain numerous molecules and complex structures that interact with each other to form complex interaction networks such that when taken together they form a new whole, which cannot be understood by just investigating the parts. Methods to collect and assemble biological/biochemical information for systems analysis will be introduced. Possibilities of systems approach will be critically discussed in relation to available research techniques, techniques of the future, applications, research targets, as well as from the philosophical and ethical point of view including applicability of the systems theory in biosciences.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

The module consists of 22 h of lectures, discussions and case studies, ca. 5h of computing exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

B.Sc. in biochemistry or a related subject or otherwise adequate knowledge on cellular, molecular and structural biology.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Study diaries will be assessed for a mark on scale 1 to 5 upon request. Otherwise marking will be Pass/fail. There is no exam and thus presence on certain amount of the course is compulsory. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Gonghong Wei

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747603S: Bioinformatics, 2,5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

2.5 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion student are able to:

- use web-based bioinformatics tools.
- process the information and find solutions to various problems
- analyse and present the findings in the form of a report

Contents:

This course introduces basic concepts and methodology in bioinformatic research. Basic computational methods of DNA and protein handling and database searches are introduced. Other methods may include joining database and proteomic searches and structural analysis of proteins. After this course a student has insight of basic methodology of bioinformatics.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

8 hr lectures, 30 h practicals. Attendance at practicals is obligatory.

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic knowledge in Biochemistry is preferable but not required.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Deborah Harrus

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

747604S: Introduction to biocomputing, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: André Juffer

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss several biocomputing techniques
- decide which method to use under what circumstances
- judge the quality of an analysis of a given problem by means of biocomputing techniques

Contents:

An overview is given of commonly employed techniques of biocomputing to study the structural, dynamical, functional and thermodynamical properties of proteins and membranes and their interaction with other molecules. This will include a overview of computer simulation techniques such as molecular dynamics, Monte Carlo and Langevin (stochastic, Brownian) dynamics, but also concepts of continuum electrostatics, statistical thermodynamics, protein modeling techniques, protein-ligand affinity calculations and the computer simulation of the protein folding process and enzyme action. In addition, some topics in the field of Bioinformatics are discussed as well and certain commonly employed protein modeling software is introduced.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, student tasks

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

-

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended books:

Leach, A.R., *Molecular modelling. Principles and applications*, Second edition, Prentice Hall, New York, 2001

Berendsen, H.J.C *Simulating the physical world. Hierarchical modeling from quantum mechanics to fluid dynamics.*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2007

Assessment methods and criteria:

Presentation, group discussion

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

André Juffer

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747612S: Introduction to structure-based drug discovery, 4 op

Voimassaolo: 01.01.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lari Lehtiö

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

747615S Introduction to structure-based drug discovery 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

After completion of this course student should be able to:

- Find and analyze a protein structure of interest from databases from the point of view of drug discovery
- Critically assess a quality of an experimental protein-small molecule complex structure
- Discuss the process of creating a virtual small molecule library
- Describe the commonly used computational methods for screening of small molecule libraries against a protein target
- Critically judge the results of the computational screening

Contents:

The course will consist of assignments, lectures and a project work carried out during the course in study groups. Groups will present their project plans and the results. All students will give feedback and share ideas during the discussions. The project carried out during the course will be supported by lectures and discussions. The final mark comprises marks from continuous assessment, active participation to the group work and oral exam. Attendance to some parts of the course is compulsory. The course has limited enrollment for 24 students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face and web based teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Seminar days, practicals, group work, student presentations and discussions

Target group:

MSc in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

BSc in biochemistry or a related subject, Protein Chemistry I or Protein production and analysis

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, presentations, oral exam

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lari Lehtiö

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Optionall courses

744618S: Dissertation, 18 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744631S Dissertation 15.0 op

ECTS Credits:

18 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- apply information in the right context, integrate information from a wide range of sources and evaluate it critically
- communicate science in extensive written format and discuss and defend scientific arguments
- demonstrate independent work including self motivation, planning, organizational skills and time management.

Contents:

This module is based around the student producing an extensive, in-depth literature report in the style of a scientific review. Students are responsible for finding a suitable supervisor for their dissertation with whom they will discuss the scientific background and relevant literature. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their supervisor weekly to discuss progress and ideas and to resolve problems. A one-page outline of the dissertation subject area, including details of the supervisor (who need not be from the University of Oulu), must be approved by the module convener before starting this module. While the dissertation subject can be closely linked with the Pro Gradu project subject, students are advised that having distinct topics for these two modules will look better on their CV.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

480 hours of student work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Written report

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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744625S: Scientific presentation, 1 - 2 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.03.2012 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jari Heikkinen**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

1-2 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish and English

Timing:

M.Sc.

Learning outcomes:

The student makes a presentation and participates in an international scientific conference with their own presentation. The presentation may be a poster, a talk or equivalent. The student uses the skills learned in the B.Sc. or otherwise in planning and realizing the presentation. The student practices communication skills necessary for research work.

Contents:

Student participates in a conference and delivers a poster, a talk or equivalent. The contents of which must include student's own results, for example from the Master's Thesis work. The pro gradu supervisor or other suitable person supervises the planning and realization of the presentation.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

A poster, a talk or equivalent is delivered. The workload of the course may vary depending on the extent and the form of presentation.

Target group:

Major students (MSc)

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

No compulsory preceding courses

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Study diary, a copy of presentation or poster

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

The amount of credits is estimated based on the workload of the planning and realization of the presentation, but not the length of the meeting.

747693S: Final examination in protein science and biotechnology, 9 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

9 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students should be able to:

- discuss the full breadth of the core topics of biochemistry, protein science and biotechnology
- Integrate material from multiple sources

Contents:

This examination will test the ability of students to integrate knowledge from BSc and MSc level protein science and biotechnology. The questions will require an understanding of the principles of biochemistry and protein science and will be based on subject specific material from relevant BSc and MSc level modules. The format will be an oral examination.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Student self-study

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

300002M: Advanced Information Skills, 1 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Other Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Science**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Sassali, Jani Henrik**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

488321S: Bioreactor technology, 5 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2015 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Field of Process and Environmental Engineering**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

488304S Bioreactor Technology 6.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS /133 hours of work

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

The course is held in autumn semester during period 2. It is recommended to complete the course in the 4th (1st Master's) year.

Learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the student will be able to verbally describe the most common equipment, materials and methods related to biotechnological processes, microbial growth and cultivation and sterilization. The student will be able to apply different mathematical formulas for biocatalysis and for the bioreactor performance and use those to plan and analyze bioprocesses. The student will also be able to produce, analyze and interpret data from bioprocesses.

Contents:

Biotechnological process: General process schemes, batch, fed-batch and continuous processes, biocatalysts and raw materials. Reactor design and instrumentation. Sterilization: kinetics of heat inactivation and practical implementation of sterilization methods. Mathematical description and quantification of the function of biocatalysts. Monod and Michaelis-Menten models, reaction rates and their determination. The lag phase of growth, cellular maintenance, cell death. Kinetics of product and by-product formation. Kinetics of oxygen and heat transfer. Oxygen and heat balances: significance and calculations. Power consumption. Scale-up and scale-down.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 50 h / exercises 8 h / homework 16 h / self-study 59 h.

Target group:

Master students in bioprocess engineering. Master students in process engineering, environmental engineering and biochemistry with required prerequisites.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

The previous bachelor level courses in Process or Environmental Engineering (especially 488309A Biocatalysis, 488052A Introduction to Bioproduct and Bioprocess Engineering) or respective knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Lectures: Lecture hand outs; Doran, P. M. Bioprocess engineering principles. Academic Press. London, 2010. Supplementary material: Villadsen J., Nielsen J., Liden G. Bioreactor engineering principles. Springer Verlag, 2011.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lectures, exercises, final exam, homework. Grade will be composed of final exam, exercises and homework.

Read more about the course assessment and grading systems of the University of Oulu at www.oulu.fi/english/studying/assessment

Grading:

The course unit utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

University teacher Johanna Panula-Perälä

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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488305S: Advanced Course for Biotechnology, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Process and Environmental Engineering

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Sanna Taskila

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

480450S Bioprocesses III 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS /133 hours of work

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

The course is held in spring semester during period 3. It is recommended to complete the course in the 4th (1st Master's) year.

Learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the student will be able to describe the most important techniques - both up- and downstream - in biotechnological production of proteins and metabolites.

Contents:

Microbial homologous and heterologous protein production. Physiological and process related items in the production of selected microbial metabolites. Principles and practices in metabolic engineering. Methods for process intensification. Scale-up of bioprocesses. Unit operations in product recovery and purification.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 36 h / homework 48 h / self-study 49 h.

Target group:

Master students in bioprocess engineering. Master students in process engineering, environmental engineering and biochemistry with required prerequisites.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Courses 488309A Biocatalysis, 488052A Introduction to Bioproduct and Bioprocess Engineering and 488304S Bioreactor technology, or respective knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Will be announced at the lectures.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lectures and final examination, exercises and the report. Grade will be composed of homework exercises and reports or final examination. Read more about the course assessment and grading systems of the University of Oulu at www.oulu.fi/english/studying/assessment.

Grading:

The course unit utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Dr. Sanna Taskila

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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744623S: Yeast genetics, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Alexander Kastaniotis

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744616S Yeast genetics and molecular biology 2.5 op

744613S Yeast genetics 1.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3-6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell a basic knowledge of yeast genetics and physiology
- tell the basic principles of using the yeast model organism to address fundamental genetic and cell biological problems
- (practical course) describe variety of genetic and molecular biology techniques commonly used to manipulate baker's yeast in the pursuit of biological questions

Contents:

This course is an introduction to *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* as a model organism and the use of classical and molecular genetic approaches in this yeast to study basic cellular processes. We will also focus on genetic screens and selections designed to identify targets of interest. Aspects of transcriptional regulation will be discussed to provide a basic understanding for some of the screens and selections introduced. The lecture part is open to all students that fulfill the enrollment requirements, and equals 3 op. Performance in the course will be assessed by participation in the course review session at the beginning of each lecture (10% of total grade) and by a final written examination. The practical part of this is a block practical spread over two weeks (2 days – 3 days – 2 days – 3 days) running almost parallel to lecture course. It is designed to provide training in techniques and concepts commonly used in yeast genetics (streaking, spotting, mating, tetrad analysis, transformation, colony-color based assays, carbon source-dependent expression of genes, as well as generation and cloning of mutants). This part of the course has limited enrollment for 16 people.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

16 h lectures, 10 days practical, final exam and oral participation in course review session

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Course review sessions, final exam, experiment reports

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Alexander Kastaniotis

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

740380A Virology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-2 spring (starts 2015)

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss the major groups of viruses and their infection and replication mechanisms
- present and discuss characteristic features of specific viruses and their relation to pathogenesis and immunity
- describe diagnostic methods and antiviral therapy

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of virology. The main emphasis will be made on viral infection, replication, transcription, proteinsynthesis, virological diagnostics, infection kinetics, defense against viruses, ways of infection, vaccination, and antiviral therapy. The course involves lectures 10h and 10h seminars where the students should be able to recapitulate major aspects of the taught material in 5-7 min presentations.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 h lectures and student presentations in seminars

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as Virology (740380A).

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743660S: Introduction to immunology, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2011 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Valerio Izzì**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

740379A	Introduction to immunology	3.0 op
740378A	Basic immunobiology for biochemists	3.0 op
741661S	Immunobiology	3.0 op
740369A	Immunobiology	3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn or M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course students will be able to identify, analyze and apply essential cellular molecules, components and mechanisms related to immunology, and complete their previous knowledge of molecular and cellular biology and protein chemistry with immunobiochemistry issues.

Contents:

The course handles both unspecific and specific immune response mechanisms, antibody structure and diversity, antibody-based immunodiagnostics, as well as basics of virus biochemistry.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures (12 h), a written home exercise, and a final exam

Target group:

MSc/ molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Preliminary required courses: Molekyylibiologia I, Protein chemistry I and Solun biologia, or equivalent basic molecular biology, protein chemistry and cell biology studies.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Home exercise, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Valerio Izzì

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as 740379A Introduction to immunology. Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743604S: Biochemistry of inherited diseases, 3 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Heli Ruotsalainen**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

M.Sc yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion the student should understand

- The most common inherited diseases and how they can be analyzed and treated
- Biochemistry behind the inherited diseases
- How to make an understandable presentation from the field of inherited diseases
- how to answer questions raised by the presentation

Contents:

This course provides information on mutations behind inherited diseases: how mutations are inherited, how they will be found and how they can be cured by gene therapy. Scientific articles will also be studied by small groups.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

18 h lectures and students' tasks

Target group:

M.Sc./Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

Thompson & Thompson, *Genetics in Medicine*,; Strachan, T., Read, A.P.: *Human Molecular Genetics*, Bios. Scientific Publishers Limited; Aula *et al.*, *Perinnöllisyyslääketiede*; the newest editions. Scientific articles.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Homeworks, oral presentation, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Heli Ruotsalainen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743659S: Biochemistry of cell organelles, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2010 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Vasily Antonenkov

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

743656S Biochemistry of cell organelles 2.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- Describe structure and function of the key cell organelles
- Discuss role of organelles in pathology
- Characterize metabolites transfer and action of channels and transporters
- Assess basic principles of biogenesis of cell organelles

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of cell and membrane biology providing knowledge on structure and function of mitochondria, endoplasmic reticulum (ER) and peroxisomes. More detailed discussion will be on aspects of mitochondrial inheritance, function in health and diseases, mitophagy, role of organelles in aging, lipid synthesis in ER, intra- and extracellular transfer of lipids, structural and functional properties of membrane channels and transporters, soluble metabolite-transfer proteins, integration of different functions in peroxisomes. In addition to lectures (16 h) the course involves two seminars (4 h) where the students should present reports of cellular lipid traffic and isolation of cellular organelles.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and student presentations in seminars

Target group:

Major students/Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

B.Sc. in biochemistry or biology or otherwise adequate knowledge on basic biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Vasily Antonenkov

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743657S: Tumor cell biology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2010 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- name, list and discuss the major aspects including formation of a tumor cell
- present, describe and discuss characteristic aspects of oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes
- use methods to study, examine and to analyse tumor genesis and tumor progression

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of the main pathways inducing formation of a tumor. The main emphasis will be made on the formation of oncogenes, the action of tumor suppressor genes and the induction of tumors by viruses.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

580402S: Biomedical Imaging Methods, 1 - 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Health Sciences

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Simo Saarakkala

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

1-5 ECTS credit points / 27-135 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

Master studies, spring. The course is not organized every year.

Learning outcomes:

The student understands and can describe the basic principles and main applications of imaging methods used in biomedical research.

Contents:

Differences between in vivo, ex vivo and in vitro imaging. Light and electron microscopy. Optical projection and coherence tomography. Optical in vivo imaging. Magnetic resonance imaging. Fourier transform infrared imaging spectroscopy. Raman imaging spectroscopy. Micro-computed tomography. Ultrasound imaging. Basics of image analysis and interpretation.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Differences between in vivo, ex vivo and in vitro imaging. Light and electron microscopy. Optical projection and coherence tomography. Optical in vivo imaging. Magnetic resonance imaging. Fourier transform infrared imaging spectroscopy. Raman imaging spectroscopy. Micro-computed tomography. Ultrasound imaging. Basics of image analysis and interpretation.

Target group:

Master Students of Medical and Wellness technology and Biomedical Engineering and all other who are interested in methods of biomedical imaging

Recommended or required reading:

Required literature is given in the lectures.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Participation in the lectures and demonstrations, study diary. Exercises. Written exam. The course can be taken as 1, 2, 3 or 5 ECTS.

1 ECTS # participation in the lectures

2 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations

3 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations + practical assignment

5 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations + practical assignment and final exam

Grading:

The 1, 2 or 3 ECTS courses utilize verbal grading: pass or fail. The 5 ECTS course utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Associate Professor Simo Saarakkala

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This course is a part of specialization of Biomedical Technology and Medical imaging.

756625S: Genetic transformation of plants, 4 - 8 op

Voimassaolo: - 31.07.2015

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Häggman, Hely Margaretha

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

756652S Genetic transformation of plants 5.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

756627S: Plant hormones, 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Häggman, Hely Margaretha

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

4 ECTS credits / 107 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English.

Timing:

M.Sc. 1 st or 2 nd spring, (arranged if resources allow).

Learning outcomes:

The students will assess the plant hormone action, understand hormone interactions and the significance of the hormone balance as well as the molecular mechanisms.

Contents:

Plant hormones are signalling molecules with profound effects on growth and development at trace quantities. Until quite recently plant development was considered to be regulated by auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, ethylene and abscisic acid. New analytical and molecular methods have evidenced new plant hormone receptors and signalling pathways. During the lectures the mode of action of the hormones and the latest literature is used to gain the most recent view of the topic.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h and exam.

Target group:

Suitable for BSb and ecophysiologicalists.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basics of functional plant biology lectures and exercises (752345A, 756341A).

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Chapters concerning plant hormones from Taiz, L. & Zeiger, E. 2010: Plant Physiology. Sinauer Associates Inc. 5. ed. and literature given in the lectures.

The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

Assessment methods and criteria:

Exam.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Hely Häggman.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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040911S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Laboratory Animal Centre

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Voipio Hanna-marja

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

040900S Using animals in research - carrying out procedures 2.5 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

H325432: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - MSc, 0 - 75 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Studies taken/planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

746601S: Advanced studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746605S: Advanced studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Other Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Karppinen, Peppi Leena Elina

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

H325421: Compulsory courses - MSc, molecular and cellular biology, 69 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Obligatory courses

744620S: Protein chemistry II, 3 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Lari Lehtiö**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course, the students are able to:

- describe professional literature dealing with advanced techniques of protein analysis
- plan and implement the purification of a given protein on a large scale
- present and explain work related to protein purification and analysis

Contents:

This module provides a “real-life” approach to practical protein chemistry, including purification, biophysical analysis, enzymatics, etc. It comprises a small number of revision lectures, but it is primarily based on problem solving based exercises with a further level of complexity built in compared with Protein Chemistry I. The module includes a student presentation, but does not include a final examination. The final mark comprises marks from continuous assessment. Attendance of some parts of the course is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

12 h seminars, plus excercises and a student report

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Lari Lehtiö ja Teemu Haikarainen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

744621S: Molecular biology II, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Elitsa Dimova

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course students are able to:

- discuss the general features of DNA manipulating/amplifying enzymes
- design (on paper or in silico) oligonucleotides for PCR amplification, set up restriction digests and ligation reactions in order to carry out basic and advanced cloning procedures
- use basic tools used in the genetic manipulation of mice

Contents:

This module provides a “real-life” approach to practical molecular biology, including DNA cloning strategies, site directed mutagenesis, generation of transgenic mice, etc. It comprises concept overview lectures, but it is primarily based on complex problem solving based exercises including written reports and group student presentations, but does not include a final examination. The final mark comprises marks from continuous assessment. Attendance of the course is required.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

12 h seminars, plus student presentations

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

The course is designed for students familiar with DNA organization, gene structure & genetic concepts (ORF, codon, heterologous and homologous recombination).

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Written report, student presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Elitsa Dimova

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

902101Y: English for Biochemists 2, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 - 31.08.2016**Opiskelumuoto:** Language and Communication Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Negotiated Education**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay902101Y English for Biochemists 2 (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Proficiency level:

C1 on the CEFR scale

Status:

Compulsory for all fourth-year biochemistry master's degree students.

Required proficiency level:

Participants are expected to have studied English as an A1 or A2 language at school or to have acquired equivalent skills elsewhere.

ECTS Credits:

3 ECTS credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

spring term

Learning outcomes:

The course aims to help you acquire understanding of the conventions and expectations of the academic community of biochemists for scientific reporting, and develop presentation and writing skills for your future professional life.

Learning outcomes:

By the end of the course, you are expected to be able to

1. write a research article that follows the main discourse conventions of biochemistry
2. prepare and deliver an oral scientific presentation supported by an effective slideshow
3. apply the rules of referencing
4. use a sufficient range of appropriate academic vocabulary relevant to your discipline
5. write with a good level of linguistic accuracy and correct punctuation
6. structure your work for optimal clarity and impact
7. make good use of feedback from peers and teachers to improve your own scientific production.

Contents:

This course will cover presentation skills (1 ECTS credit) and writing for scientific purposes (2 ECTS credits).

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching and web-supported feedback

Learning activities and teaching methods:Contact teaching 24 hours, optional tutorials / independent work 56 hrs. Attendance at all classroom sessions is **compulsory**.**Target group:**

4th year biochemistry students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

It is recommended that students have completed 902100Y English for Biochemists 1 or an equivalent course.

Recommended or required reading:

Course materials will be provided by the teacher in electronic form, to be downloaded and brought to class.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Assessment is based on regular completion and quality of course tasks, with particular emphasis on the final product of each part of the course: the final presentation and the final draft of a research article in biochemistry.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

Pass/Fail

Person responsible:

Eva Braidwood (presentation skills) and Suzy McAnsh (scientific writing)

Working life cooperation:

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Other information:

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743694S: Pro gradu experimental work in molecular and cellular biology, 28 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Practical training

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

28 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-2

Learning outcomes:

On successful completion of this course, the student has

- Increased appreciation of how research leads to knowledge and how technologies may be applied /adapted to address a research question
- Developed abilities to work independently and as part of a team - self motivation, diplomacy, planning and organizational skills and time management.
- Developed abilities to identify and solve practical problems, to design and execute experiments and how to record and critically evaluate data.

Contents:

This module provides an extensive, 6 month, project in a research group. The experimental work can be started after 30 op of Master studies have been completed. Students are responsible for finding a suitable research group in which they wish to undertake the Pro Gradu work. Students should produce a short (typically 2 page) study plan detailing the proposed content of their Pro Gradu work, supervisor(s) and start date which must be approved before they start work. The Pro Gradu thesis is based only on the work done during the first 6 months of work by the student on the project, except in cases of mitigating circumstances. The work may be un-dertaken in the research groups of Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine or in any other suitable research group in Finland or abroad.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

6 months project in a research group

Target group:

FM/Molekyyli- ja solubiologia

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Research work 6 months

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

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743695S: Pro gradu thesis in molecular and cellular biology, 20 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Diploma thesis

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

20 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr2

Learning outcomes:

On successful completion of this course, the student has

- Developed skills in retrieving, appraising critically and integrating information.
- Developed skills in communicating science and in making and defending scientific arguments.

Contents:

The Pro gradu thesis (typically around 50-60 pages long) is based on the experimental work undertaken by the student and the contextualization of the research and the results based on the published literature in the field. For detailed instructions see <http://www.oulu.fi/fbmm>

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Target group:

M.Sc./ Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Written thesis

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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740672S: Maturity test (M.Sc. degree), 0 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

0 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr2

Learning outcomes:

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Contents:

Will be written in context to Pro gradu thesis. In the test student must show a good command of both language skills and their field of Pro gradu thesis. If student's native language is not Finnish or Swedish Faculty of Science will define language in the test.

Target group:

Majos students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Written abstract of Pro Gradu thesis

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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Orientation to research work: work done in an academic or industrial research group. Orientation to biochemical work: work done in a non research group environment. The sum of credits of both courses must be 12-20 ECTS.

744617S: Orientation to research work, 0 - 20 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Practical training**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jari Heikkinen**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä**ECTS Credits:**

12 - 20 credits (see Other information)

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr 1

Learning outcomes:

After this course student has gained experience of practical work done in research groups. Student is able to:

- demonstrate goal-oriented teamwork
- apply methods used in proper environment
- discuss the practical work done and reflect his knowledge

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to research work via the active integration of students into research groups and/or via one to two week advanced practical courses. The integration into groups can be either full-time or part-time research work, with 1.5op being awarded for each full-time week equivalent worked. A maximum of 6op can be awarded for working in one research group. The research groups do not need to be in the Faculty of biochemistry and molecular medicine, University of Oulu, but advance permission should be sought if the research group is not part of the University of Oulu.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Research work

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

The sum of credits from courses 744624S and 744617S must be 12-20 credits (for Int MSc in protein science line 12-18 credits)

744624S: Orientation to biochemical work, 0 - 20 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Practical training

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744629S Orientation to biochemical work 0.0 op

744617S Orientation to research work 0.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

12-20 credits (see Other information)

Language of instruction:

English/Finnish

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1

Learning outcomes:

After this course student has gained experience of practical work done in non-research group environment. Student is able to:

- demonstrate goal-oriented teamwork
- apply methods used in proper environment
- discuss the practical work done and reflect his knowledge

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to non-research work in companies or other suitable environment. The work can be either full-time or part-time work, with 1.5op being awarded for each full-time week equivalent worked. A maximum of 6op can be awarded for working in one work placements. Each placement must be agreed in advance with the responsible person.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

non-research work

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

The sum of credits from courses 744624S and 744617S must be 12-20 credits (for Int MSc in protein science line 12-18 credits)

H325424: Optional specialist courses - MSc, molecular and cellular biology, 11 - 22 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2012 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Study module**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

*Optional specialist courses (a minimum of 4 of these courses must be taken)***743604S: Biochemistry of inherited diseases, 3 op****Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Heli Ruotsalainen**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

M.Sc yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion the student should understand

- The most common inherited diseases and how they can be analyzed and treated
- Biochemistry behind the inherited diseases
- How to make an understandable presentation from the field of inherited diseases
- how to answer questions raised by the presentation

Contents:

This course provides information on mutations behind inherited diseases: how mutations are inherited, how they will be found and how they can be cured by gene therapy. Scientific articles will also be studied by small groups.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

18 h lectures and students' tasks

Target group:

M.Sc./Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Thompson & Thompson, Genetics in Medicine,; Strachan, T., Read, A.P.: Human Molecular Genetics, Bios. Scientific Publishers Limited; Aula *et al.*, Perinnöllisyyslääketiede; the newest editions. Scientific articles.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Homeworks, oral presentation, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Heli Ruotsalainen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

744619S: Systems biology, 4 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Gonghong Wei

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. 1st-2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course student is able to define the cell as an ensemble of structural and functional parts. He is also able to connect and describe their current knowledge on cellular, molecular and structural biology into a general view. The student is also able to assess scientific information critically on novel research findings and the problems associated with massive amounts of novel scientific information.

Contents:

The module aims to give a holistic picture of the cell as a system. Cells contain numerous molecules and complex structures that interact with each other to form complex interaction networks such that when taken together they form a new whole, which cannot be understood by just investigating the parts. Methods to

collect and assemble biological/biochemical information for systems analysis will be introduced. Possibilities of systems approach will be critically discussed in relation to available research techniques, techniques of the future, applications, research targets, as well as from the philosophical and ethical point of view including applicability of the systems theory in biosciences.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

The module consists of 22 h of lectures, discussions and case studies, ca. 5h of computing exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

B.Sc. in biochemistry or a related subject or otherwise adequate knowledge on cellular, molecular and structural biology.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Study diaries will be assessed for a mark on scale 1 to 5 upon request. Otherwise marking will be Pass/fail. There is no exam and thus presence on certain amount of the course is compulsory.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Gonghong Wei

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747603S: Bioinformatics, 2,5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

2.5 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion student are able to:

- use web-based bioinformatics tools.
- process the information and find solutions to various problems
- analyse and present the findings in the form of a report

Contents:

This course introduces basic concepts and methodology in bioinformatic research. Basic computational methods of DNA and protein handling and database searches are introduced. Other methods may include joining database and proteomic searches and structural analysis of proteins. After this course a student has insight of basic methodology of bioinformatics.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

8 hr lectures, 30 h practicals. Attendance at practicals is obligatory.

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic knowledge in Biochemistry is preferable but not required.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Deborah Harrus

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743659S: Biochemistry of cell organelles, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2010 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Vasily Antonenkov

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

743656S Biochemistry of cell organelles 2.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- Describe structure and function of the key cell organelles
- Discuss role of organelles in pathology
- Characterize metabolites transfer and action of channels and transporters
- Assess basic principles of biogenesis of cell organelles

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of cell and membrane biology providing knowledge on structure and function of mitochondria, endoplasmic reticulum (ER) and peroxisomes. More detailed discussion will be on aspects of mitochondrial inheritance, function in health and diseases, mitophagy, role of organelles in aging, lipid synthesis in ER, intra- and extracellular transfer of lipids, structural and functional properties of membrane channels and transporters, soluble metabolite-transfer proteins, integration of different functions in peroxisomes. In addition to lectures (16 h) the course involves two seminars (4 h) where the students should present reports of cellular lipid traffic and isolation of cellular organelles.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and student presentations in seminars

Target group:

Major students/Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

B.Sc. in biochemistry or biology or otherwise adequate knowledge on basic biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Vasily Antonenkov

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743657S: Tumor cell biology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2010 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- name, list and discuss the major aspects including formation of a tumor cell
- present, describe and discuss characteristic aspects of oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes
- use methods to study, examine and to analyse tumor genesis and tumor progression

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of the main pathways inducing formation of a tumor. The main emphasis will be made on the formation of oncogenes, the action of tumor suppressor genes and the induction of tumors by viruses.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

H325427: Optional courses - MSc, molecular and cellular biology, 9 - 40 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Optional courses

744623S: Yeast genetics, 6 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Alexander Kastaniotis**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

744616S Yeast genetics and molecular biology 2.5 op

744613S Yeast genetics 1.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3-6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell a basic knowledge of yeast genetics and physiology
- tell the basic principles of using the yeast model organism to address fundamental genetic and cell biological problems
- (practical course) describe variety of genetic and molecular biology techniques commonly used to manipulate baker's yeast in the pursuit of biological questions

Contents:

This course is an introduction to *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* as a model organism and the use of classical and molecular genetic approaches in this yeast to study basic cellular processes. We will also focus on genetic screens and selections designed to identify targets of interest. Aspects of transcriptional regulation will be discussed to provide a basic understanding for some of the screens and selections introduced. The lecture part is open to all students that fulfill the enrollment requirements, and equals 3 op. Performance in the course will be assessed by participation in the course review session at the beginning of each lecture (10% of total grade) and by a final written examination. The practical part of this is a block practical spread over two weeks (2 days – 3 days – 2 days – 3 days) running almost parallel to lecture course. It is designed to provide training in techniques and concepts commonly used in yeast genetics (streaking, spotting, mating, tetrad analysis, transformation, colony-color based assays, carbon source-dependent expression of genes, as well as generation and cloning of mutants). This part of the course has limited enrollment for 16 people.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

16 h lectures, 10 days practical, final exam and oral participation in course review session

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Course review sessions, final exam, experiment reports

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Alexander Kastaniotis

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

743661S: Virology, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2012 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Thomas Kietzmann**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

740380A Virology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-2 spring (starts 2015)

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss the major groups of viruses and their infection and replication mechanisms
- present and discuss characteristic features of specific viruses and their relation to pathogenesis and immunity
- describe diagnostic methods and antiviral therapy

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of virology. The main emphasis will be made on viral infection, replication, transcription, proteinsynthesis, virological diagnostics, infection kinetics, defense against viruses, ways of infection, vaccination, and antiviral therapy. The course involves lectures 10h and 10h seminars where the students should be able to recapitulate major aspects of the taught material in 5-7 min presentations.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 h lectures and student presentations in seminars

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as Virology (740380A).

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743660S: Introduction to immunology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Valerio Izzi

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740379A Introduction to immunology 3.0 op

740378A Basic immunobiology for biochemists 3.0 op

741661S Immunobiology 3.0 op

740369A Immunobiology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn or M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course students will be able to identify, analyze and apply essential cellular molecules, components and mechanisms related to immunology, and complete their previous knowledge of molecular and cellular biology and protein chemistry with immunobiochemistry issues.

Contents:

The course handles both unspecific and specific immune response mechanisms, antibody structure and diversity, antibody-based immunodiagnostics, as well as basics of virus biochemistry.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures (12 h), a written home exercise, and a final exam

Target group:

MSc/ molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Preliminary required courses: Molekyylibiologia I, Protein chemistry I and Solun biologia, or equivalent basic molecular biology, protein chemistry and cell biology studies.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Home exercise, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Valerio Izzi

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as 740379A Introduction to immunology. Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743696S: Final examination in molecular and cellular biology, 9 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Thomas Kietzmann**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

9 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students (should) be able to:

- discuss the full breadth of the core topics of biochemistry, molecular and cellular biology
- Integrate material from multiple sources

Contents:

This examination will test the ability of students to integrate knowledge from BSc and MSc level molecular and cellular biology. The questions will require an understanding of the principles of biochemistry and molecular and cellular biology and will be based on subject specific material from relevant BSc and MSc level modules. The format will be an oral examination.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Student self-study

Target group:

M.Sc./Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

744618S: Dissertation, 18 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Lloyd Ruddock**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

744631S Dissertation 15.0 op

ECTS Credits:

18 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- apply information in the right context, integrate information from a wide range of sources and evaluate it critically
- communicate science in extensive written format and discuss and defend scientific arguments
- demonstrate independent work including self motivation, planning, organizational skills and time management.

Contents:

This module is based around the student producing an extensive, in-depth literature report in the style of a scientific review. Students are responsible for finding a suitable supervisor for their dissertation with whom they will discuss the scientific background and relevant literature. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their supervisor weekly to discuss progress and ideas and to resolve problems. A one-page outline of the dissertation subject area, including details of the supervisor (who need not be from the University of Oulu), must be approved by the module convener before starting this module. While the dissertation subject can be closely linked with the Pro Gradu project subject, students are advised that having distinct topics for these two modules will look better on their CV.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

480 hours of student work

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Written report

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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744625S: Scientific presentation, 1 - 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.03.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

1-2 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish and English

Timing:

M.Sc.

Learning outcomes:

The student makes a presentation and participates in an international scientific conference with their own presentation. The presentation may be a poster, a talk or equivalent. The student uses the skills learned in the B.Sc. or otherwise in planning and realizing the presentation. The student practices communication skills necessary for research work.

Contents:

Student participates in a conference and delivers a poster, a talk or equivalent. The contents of which must include student's own results, for example from the Master's Thesis work. The pro gradu supervisor or other suitable person supervises the planning and realization of the presentation.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

A poster, a talk or equivalent is delivered. The workload of the course may vary depending on the extent and the form of presentation.

Target group:

Major students (MSc)

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

No compulsory preceding courses

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

-

Assessment methods and criteria:

Study diary, a copy of presentation or poster

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

The amount of credits is estimated based on the workload of the planning and realization of the presentation, but not the length of the meeting.

30002M: Advanced Information Skills, 1 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -

Opiskelumuoto: Other Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Science

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Sassali, Jani Henrik

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

756625S: Genetic transformation of plants, 4 - 8 op

Voimassaolo: - 31.07.2015

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Häggman, Hely Margaretha

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

756652S Genetic transformation of plants 5.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

756627S: Plant hormones, 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Häggman, Hely Margaretha

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

4 ECTS credits / 107 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish / English.

Timing:

M.Sc. 1 st or 2 nd spring, (arranged if resources allow).

Learning outcomes:

The students will assess the plant hormone action, understand hormone interactions and the significance of the hormone balance as well as the molecular mechanisms.

Contents:

Plant hormones are signalling molecules with profound effects on growth and development at trace quantities. Until quite recently plant development was considered to be regulated by auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, ethylene and abscisic acid. New analytical and molecular methods have evidenced new plant hormone receptors and signalling pathways. During the lectures the mode of action of the hormones and the latest literature is used to gain the most recent view of the topic.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h and exam.

Target group:

Suitable for BSb and ecophysicologists.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basics of functional plant biology lectures and exercises (752345A, 756341A).

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Chapters concerning plant hormones from Taiz, L. & Zeiger, E. 2010: Plant Physiology. Sinauer Associates Inc. 5. ed. and literature given in the lectures.

The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

Assessment methods and criteria:

Exam.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Hely Häggman.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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747605S: Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Wierenga Rikkert

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

744615S Basic aspects of protein crystallographic methods 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- describe the key aspects of the protein crystallization methods
- describe the importance of crystals for obtaining the structure of a protein
- describe the importance of the Fourier transform method in the structure determination method
- describe the phase problem
- describe the importance of the anomalous differences

Contents:

The course will describe the principles of x-ray diffraction theory. It will focus on aspects used in the field of protein crystallography including following topics: Crystallisation of proteins, symmetry properties of crystals, X-ray sources and detectors, the diffraction pattern and the reciprocal lattice, the phase problem, isomorphous differences and the MIR-method, anomalous differences and the MAD-method.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein Science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules and Protein chemistry I or Protein production and analysis or equivalent

Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

Drenth, J.: Principles of protein X-ray crystallography (2nd edition); Blow, D.: Outline of crystallography for biologists (1st edition, 2002)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Rik Wierenga

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747608S: Biochemical methodologies II, 8 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Ulrich Bergmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

740365A Biochemical Methodologies II 8.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc 1st autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- describe the theoretical basis of the main biochemical analysis methods for proteins
- identify and use the different instruments
- describe the potential of the different analytical techniques and develop strategies for addressing specific questions in protein & proteome-analysis
- integrate data from multiple sources and evaluate it critically

Contents:

During this module students will analyze their own protein samples. The course will cover principles and practical applications of some of the more advanced methodologies used in practical biochemistry, including fluorescence spectroscopy, stopped flow analysis of enzymatic reactions, circular dichroism, surface plasmon resonance, micro-calorimetry, mass spectrometry, and proteomics based on 2D electrophoresis. For assessment each student has to write a research report in the style of a scientific publication. Attendance is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

120 h lab., including pre-lab lectures plus exercises

Target group:

Obligatory for M.Sc. in Protein Science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Protein production and analysis (747601S) or Protein chemistry I (740364A)

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Report written in style of a scientific publication

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Ulrich Bergmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747611S: Biochemistry of protein folding, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.06.2011 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Lloyd Ruddock**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**Leikkaavuudet:**

747602S Biochemistry of protein folding 2.5 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc., yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- present and discuss issues presented in the primary literature on a variety of aspects of protein folding.
- display an understanding of the theoretical and practical implications of *in vivo*, *in vitro* and *in silico* studies on protein folding and the integration of results.
- demonstrate the ability to interpret a wide range of data from multiple sources, to critically evaluate and contextualise this data and to solve problems relating to interpretation.

Contents:

This module provides an introduction to protein folding *in vivo*. Topics covered include protein folding and quality control in the endoplasmic reticulum, mechanisms regulating protein folding including the unfolded protein response, the catalysis of native disulphide bond formation, the biochemistry of molecular chaperones and the role of molecular chaperones and protein folding catalysts in other cellular events.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

16 contact hours of lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Protein chemistry I (740364A) or Protein production and analysis (747601S) or equivalent

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

The module is assessed based on a report prepared on individual topics and on participation in the seminars.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lloyd Ruddock

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

747606S: Structural enzymology, 3 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Wierenga Rikkert**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss the methods that are used to crystallize proteins
- describe the basic concepts of the transition state theory
- define the relation between reaction rates and free energy barriers
- describe enzyme reaction mechanisms
- describe the concepts of catalytic bases and acids
- illustrate active site strain
- tell the importance of active site electrostatics
- describe the concept of transition state analogues

Contents:

General and specific aspects of the reaction mechanism of several well studied enzymes will be discussed. It will include the serine proteases (such as chymotrypsin and trypsin). The following topics will be addressed: Chemical catalysis, transition state theory, forces stabilizing the enzyme-ligand interaction, structural properties of proteins, enzyme kinetics, crystallization of proteins, general aspects of enzyme catalysed reactions, reaction mechanisms of serine proteases, transition state analogues. The course is aimed at biochemistry and chemistry students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures and seminars

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Oral presentation

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Rikkert Wierenga

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

747604S: Introduction to biocomputing, 3 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Advanced Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** André Juffer**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

M.Sc. yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss several biocomputing techniques
- decide which method to use under what circumstances
- judge the quality of an analysis of a given problem by means of biocomputing techniques

Contents:

An overview is given of commonly employed techniques of biocomputing to study the structural, dynamical, functional and thermodynamical properties of proteins and membranes and their interaction with other molecules. This will include a overview of computer simulation techniques such as molecular dynamics, Monte Carlo and Langevin (stochastic, Brownian) dynamics, but also concepts of continuum electrostatics, statistical thermodynamics, protein modeling techniques, protein-ligand affinity calculations and the computer simulation of the protein folding process and enzyme action. In addition, some topics in the field of Bioinformatics are discussed as well and certain commonly employed protein modeling software is introduced.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, student tasks

Target group:

M.Sc. in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

-

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended books:

Leach, A.R., *Molecular modelling. Principles and applications*, Second edition, Prentice Hall, New York, 2001

Berendsen, H.J.C. *Simulating the physical world. Hierarchical modeling from quantum mechanics to fluid dynamics.*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2007

Assessment methods and criteria:

Presentation, group discussion

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

André Juffer

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

488321S: Bioreactor technology, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Process and Environmental Engineering

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

488304S Bioreactor Technology 6.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS /133 hours of work

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

The course is held in autumn semester during period 2. It is recommended to complete the course in the 4th (1st Master's) year.

Learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the student will be able to verbally describe the most common equipment, materials and methods related to biotechnological processes, microbial growth and cultivation and sterilization. The student will be able to apply different mathematical formulas for biocatalysis and for the bioreactor performance and use those to plan and analyze bioprocesses. The student will also be able to produce, analyze and interpret data from bioprocesses.

Contents:

Biotechnological process: General process schemes, batch, fed-batch and continuous processes, biocatalysts and raw materials. Reactor design and instrumentation. Sterilization: kinetics of heat inactivation and practical implementation of sterilization methods. Mathematical description and quantification of the function of biocatalysts. Monod and Michaelis-Menten models, reaction rates and their determination. The lag phase of growth, cellular maintenance, cell death. Kinetics of product and by-product formation. Kinetics of oxygen and heat transfer. Oxygen and heat balances: significance and calculations. Power consumption. Scale-up and scale-down.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 50 h / exercises 8 h / homework 16 h / self-study 59 h.

Target group:

Master students in bioprocess engineering. Master students in process engineering, environmental engineering and biochemistry with required prerequisites.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

The previous bachelor level courses in Process or Environmental Engineering (especially 488309A Biocatalysis, 488052A Introduction to Bioproduct and Bioprocess Engineering) or respective knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Lectures: Lecture hand outs; Doran, P. M. Bioprocess engineering principles. Academic Press. London, 2010. Supplementary material: Villadsen J., Nielsen J., Liden G. Bioreactor engineering principles. Springer Verlag, 2011.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lectures, exercises, final exam, homework. Grade will be composed of final exam, exercises and homework.

Read more about the course assessment and grading systems of the University of Oulu at www.oulu.fi/english/studying/assessment

Grading:

The course unit utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

University teacher Johanna Panula-Perälä

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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488305S: Advanced Course for Biotechnology, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Process and Environmental Engineering

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Sanna Taskila

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

480450S Bioprocesses III 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS /133 hours of work

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

The course is held in spring semester during period 3. It is recommended to complete the course in the 4th (1st Master's) year.

Learning outcomes:

After completing this course, the student will be able to describe the most important techniques - both up- and downstream - in biotechnological production of proteins and metabolites.

Contents:

Microbial homologous and heterologous protein production. Physiological and process related items in the production of selected microbial metabolites. Principles and practices in metabolic engineering. Methods for process intensification. Scale-up of bioprocesses. Unit operations in product recovery and purification.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 36 h / homework 48 h / self-study 49 h.

Target group:

Master students in bioprocess engineering. Master students in process engineering, environmental engineering and biochemistry with required prerequisites.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Courses 488309A Biocatalysis, 488052A Introduction to Bioproduct and Bioprocess Engineering and 488304S Bioreactor technology, or respective knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Will be announced at the lectures.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lectures and final examination, exercises and the report. Grade will be composed of homework exercises and reports or final examination. Read more about the course assessment and grading systems of the University of Oulu at www.oulu.fi/english/studying/assessment.

Grading:

The course unit utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Dr. Sanna Taskila

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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580402S: Biomedical Imaging Methods, 1 - 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Health Sciences

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Simo Saarakkala

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

1-5 ECTS credit points / 27-135 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

Master studies, spring. The course is not organized every year.

Learning outcomes:

The student understands and can describe the basic principles and main applications of imaging methods used in biomedical research.

Contents:

Differences between in vivo, ex vivo and in vitro imaging. Light and electron microscopy. Optical projection and coherence tomography. Optical in vivo imaging. Magnetic resonance imaging. Fourier transform infrared imaging spectroscopy. Raman imaging spectroscopy. Micro-computed tomography. Ultrasound imaging. Basics of image analysis and interpretation.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Differences between in vivo, ex vivo and in vitro imaging. Light and electron microscopy. Optical projection and coherence tomography. Optical in vivo imaging. Magnetic resonance imaging. Fourier transform infrared imaging spectroscopy. Raman imaging spectroscopy. Micro-computed tomography. Ultrasound imaging. Basics of image analysis and interpretation.

Target group:

Master Students of Medical and Wellness technology and Biomedical Engineering and all other who are interested in methods of biomedical imaging

Recommended or required reading:

Required literature is given in the lectures.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Participation in the lectures and demonstrations, study diary. Exercises. Written exam. The course can be taken as 1, 2, 3 or 5 ECTS.

1 ECTS # participation in the lectures

2 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations

3 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations + practical assignment

5 ECTS # participation in the lectures and demonstrations + practical assignment and final exam

Grading:

The 1, 2 or 3 ECTS courses utilize verbal grading: pass or fail. The 5 ECTS course utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Associate Professor Simo Saarakkala

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This course is a part of specialization of Biomedical Technology and Medical imaging.

040900S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 2,5 - 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Laboratory Animal Centre

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Voipio Hanna-marja

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

040911S Using animals in research - carrying out procedures 3.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

747612S: Introduction to structure-based drug discovery, 4 op

Voimassaolo: 01.01.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lari Lehtiö

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr1-yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

After completion of this course student should be able to:

- Find and analyze a protein structure of interest from databases from the point of view of drug discovery
- Critically assess a quality of an experimental protein-small molecule complex structure
- Discuss the process of creating a virtual small molecule library
- Describe the commonly used computational methods for screening of small molecule libraries against a protein target
- Critically judge the results of the computational screening

Contents:

The course will consist of assignments, lectures and a project work carried out during the course in study groups. Groups will present their project plans and the results. All students will give feedback and share ideas during the discussions. The project carried out during the course will be supported by lectures and discussions. The final mark comprises marks from continuous assessment, active participation to the group work and oral exam. Attendance to some parts of the course is compulsory. The course has limited enrollment for 24 students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face and web based teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Seminar days, practicals, group work, student presentations and discussions

Target group:

MSc in Protein science and biotechnology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

BSc in biochemistry or a related subject, Protein Chemistry I or Protein production and analysis

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, presentations, oral exam

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lari Lehtiö

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

H325432: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - MSc, 0 - 75 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Studies taken/ planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

746601S: Advanced studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746605S: Advanced studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Other Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Karppinen, Peppi Leena Elina

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

902100Y: English for Biochemists 1, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Language and Communication Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Negotiated Education

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

ay902100Y English for Biochemists 1 (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Proficiency level:

CEFR B2 - C1 for Reading, Speaking and Listening

Status:

Compulsory for all 1st year biochemistry students unless you have received the grade "L" or "E" in the Finnish matriculation exam, in which case you can be exempted for some of the course.

Required proficiency level:

English must have been the A1 or A2 language at school or equivalent English skills acquired otherwise.

ECTS Credits:

The student workload is 80 hrs work/ 3 ECTS credits.

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

1st year autumn and spring term

Learning outcomes:

The aim of this course is to develop reading strategies, reading and listening comprehension skills and oral/aural fluency of participants.

By the end of the course students will:

- be familiar with various reading strategies for different purposes
- be able to apply personalised vocabulary-learning techniques
- demonstrate effective note-taking techniques and the ability to summarise when working with texts
- have demonstrated lecture listening and note-taking skills in field-related situations
- be able to present field-related subjects and use appropriate field-related vocabulary
- be able to defend a position in a debate
- have demonstrated the ability to participate in pair work communication and small group discussions.

Contents:

Core skills practiced on this course are the following:

EfB 1a: reading in order to understand biochemistry texts or textbooks and research articles; applying different reading strategies to extract global or detailed information according to the reading purpose; understanding word formation in order to expand vocabulary, both general scientific and field-specific; understanding basic grammatical structures of scientific English as well as text structure and cohesion markers for improved comprehension.

EfB 1b: practicing oral/aural skills relevant to studying at university level (lecture listening), taking part in the scientific community using professional vocabulary and demonstrating field-related knowledge and (discussions, laboratory work, debating).

Mode of delivery:

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Learning activities and teaching methods:

See Contents

Target group:

1st year Biochemistry students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

902101Y English for Biochemists 2

Recommended or required reading:

Course materials will be provided by the teacher.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Evaluation is based on assessment of active participation in class and the completion of end-term test and participating in small group tutoring for debate.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Eva Braidwood

Working life cooperation:

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Other information:
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740076Y: Orientation, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: General Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course the students should be able to:

- go in Linnanmaa and Kontinkangas campus and find various supporting services
- use university terminology
- plan his studies and create a personal study plan (PSP) according to BSc degree structure
- use Weboodi to support his studies
- describe research work done in the faculty and biochemist's work

Contents:

Course familiarizes students with university studies and environment and illustrate goals and content of biochemistry degree programme. Under the guidance of faculty personnel (Chaperones) students see the spectrum of scientific research done in the Faculty and biochemists doing a research work. In a seminar "biochemist in working life" biochemists graduated from the Faculty give a talk on their experiences in working life.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

10-15 h group work (small group tutoring), 16 h presentation of research work done in the Faculty, 2 h seminar

Target group:

yr1 BSc students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Active attendance

Grading:

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen and small group tutors and chaperones

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa and Kontinkangas

901051Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Oral Skills, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Language and Communication Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Negotiated Education

Opintokohteen kielet: Swedish

901050Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Written Skills, 1 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2014 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Language and Communication Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Negotiated Education**Opintokohteen kielet:** Swedish**740144P: Biochemical Methodologies I, 8 op****Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jari Heikkinen**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay740153P	Basic biochemistry 2: Methods (OPEN UNI)	2.0 op
740151P	Biochemical methodologies I	10.0 op
740117P	Basic methods in biochemistry	4.0 op
740136P	Laboratory course in basic methods of biochemistry	3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä**ECTS Credits:**

8 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr1 autumn (lectures), yr1 spring (laboratory practicals)

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- use basic methods used in biochemical research laboratory
- Use laboratory equipment and work safely
- Prepare solutions used in the lab
- document experiments in the laboratory

Contents:

This module covers the basic methodologies used in practical biochemistry. The following topics will be addressed: safety in the laboratory, qualitative and quantitative observations, the calculations of concentrations and dilution factors (includes a workshop), pipette cleaning and calibration, identification and quantification of biological molecules, principals and practice of the use of centrifuges, spectrophotometry, SDS-PAGE, agarose gel electrophoresis, thin-layer and paper chromatography, basics of protein purification, extraction of chromosomal DNA from bacteria, mini-prep extraction of plasmid DNA, extraction of RNA from mammalian tissue, extraction of lipids from nutmeg, sterile technique, basic microbial growth, dialysis, filtration and pH measurement.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

18 h le, 2h exercises, 120 h lab. Laboratory work is compulsory. It is possible to complete lecture part only (3.5 ECTS).

Target group:

Major students, Biology BSC-BS

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules, Biomolecules for Biochemists tai Biomolecules for Bioscientists

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended reading: Reed, Holmes, Weyers & Jones: Practical skills in biomolecular sciences, 4th edition, Pearson, 2013.

You can check the availability of the course books via [this link](#)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (home works, lab reports), final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: lectures (in Finnish) at Linnanmaa campus, laboratory practicals at Kontinkangas campus.

740143P: Biomolecules for Biochemists, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

ay740157P Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI) 4.0 op

ay740152P Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

740147P Biomolecules for Bioscientists 8.0 op

740148P Biomolecules 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc yr1 autumn-spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell the composition, structure and function of the major groups of biomolecules in cells; nucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids and describe the forces that modulate their function.
- apply information in the right context and evaluate it critically
- In addition, students on the 8op versions are able to work in the biochemical laboratory, are able to solve calculations and problems and are able to interpret the scientific data they generate.

Contents:

This module provides an overview of biochemistry, outlining the forces involved in biomolecule structure and the chemical structures and properties of polynucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids. There will also be an introduction to prebiotic evolution and a student debate on this subject. The module is arranged into lectures, workshops, a student debate and laboratory work. All of the exercises are in English. Both a final examination and continuous assessment will count towards the final mark and attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 h lectures, 48 h lab., plus exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

-

Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

Mathews, van Holde & Ahern: Biochemistry, (3rd edition), published by Addison Wesley Longman, Inc. or equivalent.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, final examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: lectures and computing at Linnanmaa campus, wet labs at Kontinkangas campus

740146P: Metabolism I, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay740158P	Basic biochemistry 3: Metabolis (OPEN UNI)	4.0 op
ay740154P	Basic biochemistry 3: Metabolis (OPEN UNI)	3.0 op
740149P	Metabolism I	4.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

740145P: Physical Biochemistry, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: André Juffer

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- define the relevance of theoretical concepts to the biosciences
- tell where various equations of physical biochemistry come from
- discuss the link between theory and experiment
- perform simple but realistic calculations

Contents:

This module will cover the concepts of thermodynamics and their application to biochemical systems plus chemical and enzymatic kinetics. Topics covered will include:

Concepts of thermodynamics: First, Second and Third Law of Thermodynamics. Heat. Work. Enthalpy. Entropy, Gibbs and Helmholtz free energy, Chemical potential, Chemical potential of a solute, Free energy and equilibrium.

Applications of thermodynamics: Chemical reactions, Protein-ligand association, Acids, bases and pH regulation, Acid-dissociation constants, introduction to thermodynamics of protein folding.

Chemical kinetics: Basic chemical reactions and single step reactions, Applications of chemical kinetics to multistep

reactions, Catalysis and enzyme kinetics.

Attendance of some parts of the course is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

36 h lecture and exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended books:

Price NC *et al.*, *Principles and problems in Physical chemistry for Biochemists*, Third edition, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2001.

Atkins P and De Paula J, *Physical chemistry*, 8ed, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2006.

Atkins P and de Paula J. *Physical chemistry for the life science*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2006.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Homeworks, workshops, no exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

André Juffer

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

740150P: Transferable skills for biochemists, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

2 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

BSc yr1 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- process gel photographs taken in practicals and embed them into lab reports
- use Microsoft Word to write reports
- create standard curves using Microsoft Excel
- explain how to construct a good oral presentation
- list the basics of good scientific practice

Contents:

On overview is given of a commonly used word processor (Microsoft Word) and spreadsheet (Microsoft Excel).

Students will be taught to use these software to create lab reports (word processing, gel photograph processing and embedding in lab reports). Other topics are the basics of oral presentation, ethics in scientific research and good scientific practice. Attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures and computer practicals all together 14 hr, home exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended reading: Reed, Holmes, Weyers & Jones: Practical skills in biomolecular sciences, 4th edition, Pearson, 2013.

You can check the availability of the course books via [this link](#)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa, partly Kontinkangas

740362A: Cellular Biology, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Sakari Kellokumpu

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740323A Cell culture course 3.0 op

744610S Advanced course for cell biology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- interpret and analyze the general molecular mechanisms of cell functions
- plan how such molecular mechanisms can be studied in vitro and in vivo
- track the molecular defects that might be responsible for abnormal functioning of cells e.g. in disease states

Contents:

The aim of the course is to deepen the knowledge about where in the cell different biochemical reactions take place, how the molecules are trafficked between organelles, and how these phenomena can be studied in cultured cells. The course aims to address specifically the specific functions of the organelles in an eukaryotic cell, transport of material into and out of the cells, and how the cytoskeleton serves many of these functions. The course contains practical lab work, during which the students learn basic skills on cell culture and fluorescence microscopy. The practical course is compulsory for the Biochemistry students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 h lectures, 40 h lab

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cell biology, Biomolecules for biochemists, Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Lodish, et al., Molecular Cell Biology (partly), 4th edition. W.H. Freeman and Company

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lab reports, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Sakari Kellokumpu

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

740366A: Cellular Communication, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- name, list and discuss the major intra- and intercellular signalling pathways
- present, describe and discuss characteristic features of signalling pathways
- describe how to study, examine and analyse signalling pathways

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of the main cellular signalling pathways. The main emphasis will be made on the signalling pathways involved in the action of various hormones, growth factors, lipid-derived signaling molecules, and their cell surface and intracellular receptors, intracellular second messengers and protein kinases and phosphatases. The course involves a 40 h practical course (+written reports) in which cultured cells are used as targets to visualize certain hormone or drug-induced signaling molecules, their interactions, and how these regulate e.g. normal cell growth and/or cell death in culture. Attendance at practical course is obligatory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, 32 h practicals

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Laboratory practicals, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

740376A: Essay (B.Sc. thesis), 10 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

10 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Students should be able to execute a project to produce a thesis type of output, be well aware of current research trends in biochemistry, be able to critically select knowledge from the literature, be able to discuss and debate scientific results, and be able to choose and evaluate proper form of presentation for each purpose.

Contents:

The theme of the module is public understanding of science and the reporting of biochemical research using different methods and for different audiences. During the course students will learn on a general level about different fields of biochemistry and their specific questions, orientation of biochemical research and organization of research into projects. Practical exercises will contain presenting of a given subject in different forms, which may be a talk, a short article, a poster, a press release or a research proposal. A literature report will be written as well as a popularized presentation of it. In addition the course is linked to the module Ruotsin kieli (Swedish language).

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

about 50 h lectures, seminars, small groups and practicals, also self study and student presentations

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Course is for BSc yr3 students

Recommended optional programme components:

Information skills 030005P is recommended for completion simultaneously.

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Writing and presentation of BSc thesis.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

740372A: Final Examination, 6 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Tuomo Glumoff**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- present the full breadth of the core topics of biochemistry
- Integrate material from multiple sources

Contents:

This examination will test the ability of students to integrate knowledge from the core biochemistry modules they have taken during their BSc. It will include questions covering the material from Biomolecules for Biochemists, Biochemical methodologies I, Physical biochemistry, Metabolism I, Molecular biology I, Cellular biology, Microbiology, Protein Chemistry I, Cellular communication and Metabolism II. The questions will require an understanding of the basic principles of biochemistry and each will be based on subject specific material from at least two modules.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Student self-study

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa, Kontinkangas

740377A: Maturity test (B.Sc. degree), 0 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

0 credits

Timing:

BSc yr3 spring

Learning outcomes:

After BSc maturity test student is able to write a logical and analytical summary of his BSc thesis.

Contents:

Maturity test (B.Sc.) will be written in the topic of B.Sc. thesis. In the test student proves to command both the subject of B.Sc thesis and native language.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Target group:

Major students

Assessment methods and criteria:

An essay written under invigilation (4 pages, 500 words).

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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740367A: Metabolism II, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lauri Eklund

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740375A Metabolism II 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Students should be able to outline in detail how cells use various small and large molecules, how cells synthesize and degrade metabolites for their needs, and how metabolic network is connected and integrated.

Contents:

Metabolism II completes the discussion of energy metabolism by combining it with metabolism of nitrogen-containing compounds and synthesis and degradation of different biomolecules, as well as extends the analysis of the central concepts and mechanisms of metabolism. It will be seen how the metabolic pathways that were examined separately will be connected to each other and regulated. Some chemical mechanisms of pathways as well as ways to supply precursors for the main stream pathways will be handled. Special aspects of metabolism, like tissue specificity and physiological states, will also be studied. Photosynthesis is studied as continuation to energy metabolism.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 29h, workshops 27h, 4 workshop reports, final exam. Attendance at workshops is obligatory.

Target group:

Major subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Metabolism I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (homeworks, workshops), final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lauri Eklund

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa

740363A: Microbiology, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Pospiech, Helmut

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740374A	Microbiology	3.0 op	
740322A	Microbiology	3.0 op	
740324A	Laboratory course in microbiology	3.0 op	

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr1 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- define the typical features of bacteria, archaea, fungi and virus and explain the diversity of different groups of microorganisms
- explain the basic aspects of microbial metabolism
- understand the basics of microbial growth, enrichment, culture and growth control both in the environment and in contained culture
- explain the essential roles of microorganisms in our environment
- apply their knowledge for the growth and its control of standard laboratory microorganisms
- have a basic understanding of the industrial use of microorganisms or microbial compounds.

Contents:

This module is an introduction to general and applied microbiology and consists of lecture and laboratory exercises. In the lectures, the diversity and classification of microorganisms, especially bacteria will be introduced. Further topics are the structure and function of the prokaryotic cell, bacterial growth, metabolism and physiology, the importance of bacteria in different ecosystems as well as the industrial use of bacteria. The exercises introduce basic microbiological methods and techniques for the aseptic work. These include culture on solid and in liquid media, transfer of bacteria by streaking or spreading, the use of dilution and enrichment techniques, the inhibition of bacterial growth, measurement of bacterial growth and death, and finally the basics of transformation and bacteriophage infection and its use in molecular biology. Attendance at practical course is obligatory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 hours lecture and 60 hours laboratory exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules for Biochemists and Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

Recommended or required reading:

M. Salkinoja-Salonen (ed.) (2002) Mikrobiologian perusteita, Helsingin yliopisto; Michael T. Madigan, John M. Martinko, Paul V. Dunlap, and David P. Clark Parker (2010) Brock biology of microorganisms, 12th ed. Prentice Hall International. Microbiology laboratory exercises, Dept. Biochemistry (2010).

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (home works, lab reports), final exam
Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Helmut Pospiech

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Lectures: Linnanmaa, laboratory: Kontinkangas

740361A: Molecular Biology I, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Mirva Saaranen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740373A	Molecular Biology I	4.0 op
740318A	Molecular Biology	4.0 op
740337A	Laboratory Course in Molecular Biology	3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After this course students should understand the basics of molecular biology and be able to use modern molecular biology methods.

Contents:

The course covers gene structure, DNA replication, recombination, transcription, translation and basics of gene expression. The student will learn the most common recombinant DNA techniques, such as PCR, use of restriction endonucleases, preparation of recombinant plasmids and DNA sequencing. Attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, 4 h computer exercise, 80 h lab, theoretical exercises, homeworks

Target group:

Major subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology, Biomolecules for Biochemists and Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Mathews, CK, van Holde KT, Applins DR, Anthony-Cahill SJ: Biochemistry (4th edition). Optional.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Homeworks 40 %, lab reports 20 % and final exam 40 %.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail.

Person responsible:

Mirva Saaranen and Aki Manninen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Lectures: Linnanmaa, laboratory: Kontinkangas

740364A: Protein Chemistry I, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Martti Koski

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell the relevance of protein structure, including post-translational modification, to protein function
- describe the techniques available to purify proteins and to study protein function and have an appreciation of the applications and limitations of these techniques
- analyze a wide range of biochemical data and solve problems relating to the interpretation of data concerning protein function and basic structural characterization

Contents:

This module provides more detailed information on the chemistry of proteins. Topics covered include protein purification, reversible and irreversible covalent modifications of proteins, protein translocation, protein degradation, an introduction to the protein folding problem, protein structure analysis, basic enzyme catalysis mechanisms and co-enzymes. The module includes lectures, continuous assessments, group works, student presentations, and laboratory exercises. Final examination, lecture attendance/ continuous assessments, presentations and laboratory reports will all count towards the final mark. Attendance at laboratory exercises is obligatory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 h lectures, 80 h lab, exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules for Biochemists, Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended reading": Greighton: Proteins, Structure and Molecular Properties, W.H. Freeman & Co, 2002 (2nd ed.)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Presentation, lab reports, final exam, attendance / continuous assessment

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Kristian Koski

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Lectures at Linnanmaa campus, laboratory exercises at Kontinkangas campus.

780117P: General and Inorganic Chemistry A, 5 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2015 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Field of Chemistry**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay780117P General and Inorganic Chemistry A (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

1st autumn

Learning outcomes:

After this course the student should understand basic concepts of chemistry as described in international general chemistry curriculum.

Contents:

Basic concepts of chemistry, chemical formula, chemical reaction, chemical equation, oxidation-reduction reactions, stoichiometry, gases, chemical equilibrium, acids and bases, additional aspects of acid-base equilibria, solubility and complex-ion equilibria.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

32 hours of lectures and applications, 20 hours of exercises and 82 hours of self-study

Target group:

Biochemistry, Chemistry, Biology, Geology, Mechanical Engineering, Process Engineering, Environmental Engineering compulsory. In the entity of 25 credits (minor studies), compulsory. Physical sciences, Mathematical sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Upper secondary school chemistry

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Petrucci, R.H., Herring, F.G., Madura, J.D. ja Bissonnette, C.: General Chemistry: Principles and Modern Applications, 10. edition (also 7., 8. and 9. edition), Pearson Canada Inc., Toronto, 2011. Chapters 1 – 6, 15 – 18.

Assessment methods and criteria:Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Lecturer Leena Kaila

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780118P: General and Inorganic Chemistry B, 5 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2015 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Field of Chemistry**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay780118P General and Inorganic Chemistry B (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

1st autumn

Learning outcomes:

After this course the student should understand basic concepts of chemistry as described in international general chemistry curriculum.

Contents:

Thermodynamics, reaction kinetics, electrochemistry, electrons in atoms, periodic table, chemical bond, intermolecular forces.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

36 hours of lectures and applications, 22 hours of exercises, 82 hours of self-study

Target group:

Biochemistry, Chemistry, compulsory. In the entity of 25 credits (minor studies), compulsory. Physical sciences, Mathematical sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Upper secondary school chemistry

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Petrucci, R.H., Herring, F.G., Madura, J.D. ja Bissonnette, C.: General Chemistry: Principles and Modern Applications, 10. edition (also 7., 8. and 9. edition), Pearson Canada Inc., Toronto, 2011. Chapters 7 – 12.1, 12.5 – 12.7, 14, 19 – 20.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Lecturer Leena Kaila

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780116P: Introduction to Organic Chemistry, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay780116P Introduction to Organic Chemistry (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish. Book-examination in English as well.

Timing:

1st autumn and 1st spring

Learning outcomes:

After this course, the student can explain organic chemistry fundamentals, basic concepts and terminology, can use them for the description of organic chemistry phenomena. He/she can name organic structures, explain their properties, deduce basic reaction types and solve their mechanisms.

Contents:

Basic reactions of organic compounds, basic principles of stereochemistry and reaction mechanisms: Addition, elimination, substitution, including electrophilic aromatic substitution, reactions of carbonyl group. Applications.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

42 hours of lectures plus 12 hours of exercises, 80 hours of independent self-study

Target group:

Biochemistry, Chemistry, Biology, Process Engineering, Environmental Engineering and in the study entity of 25 credits, compulsory. Physical Sciences, Geology, Geography, Mathematical Sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Upper secondary school chemistry

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Hart, H., Hart, D.J. and Craine, L.E.: Organic Chemistry: A Short Course, 10th ed. or the newer edition, Houghton Mifflin Boston, 1999; Hart, H., Hart, D.J. and Craine, L.E.: Study Guide & Solutions Book, Organic Chemistry: A Short Course, 10th ed. or the newer edition, Houghton Mifflin Boston, 1999.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Dr. Johanna Kärkkäinen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780123P: Introductory Laboratory Works in Chemistry, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

1st autumn or 1st spring

Learning outcomes:

After this course, the student can apply laboratory safety instructions and act accordingly. He/she can communicate by using basic laboratory terminology and work in a group under the guidance. The student identifies basic laboratory equipment and can use them properly. He/she recognizes the importance of the planning of the laboratory work. The student is able to utilize the basic chemistry techniques and determination methods in the given task. Furthermore, the student can also make laboratory notes and write a report on the performed task.

Contents:

Laboratory safety, basic laboratory equipment, basic chemistry techniques and determination methods as well as some of their theoretical background, carrying out chemical synthesis and checking the purity of the product, problems related to the studied determination methods, keeping a laboratory notebook, writing a report.

Mode of delivery:

Supervised laboratory work, independently done preparatory problems.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Safety in laboratory 2 hours, 65 hours of laboratory work + demonstrations + problems, 67 hours of self-study.

Target group:

Biochemistry, Process Engineering, Environmental engineering, compulsory. In the entity of 25 credits, compulsory. Physical Sciences, Geology, Mathematical Sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P, 5 cr) and Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780116P, 5 cr). Student is allowed to participate to the course simultaneously when participating the prerequisites. Attendance at the lecture of Safety in laboratory is compulsory.

Recommended optional programme components:

Participation in the courses General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P, 5 cr) and Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780116P, 5 cr).

Recommended or required reading:

Instruction Book (in Finnish): Kemian perustyöt

Assessment methods and criteria:

Accomplishment of the course requires accepted preparatory problems, laboratory exercises, problems related to them and final examination. Laboratory exercises and final examination has to be completed within next two terms. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes verbal grading scale pass/fail.

Person responsible:

Ph.D. Teija Kangas

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Attendance at the lecture of Safety at work is compulsory. The exercises must be done before each laboratory assignment. Deadline of the written report is binding. Failure will lead to the renewal of the work.

806119P: A Second Course in Statistics, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.06.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Mathematics

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

806113P	Introduction to Statistics A	5.0 op
806109P	Basic Methods in Statistics I	9.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

4th period

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, student will be able to

- analyze continuous and categorical response in the most common experimental and observational studies
- critically evaluate scientific articles
- implement and interpret analyses of a statistical software concerning issues of the course.

Contents:

- Skills for performing statistical analyses and inferences on the basis of data obtained in common experimental and observational studies are expanded and deepened
- statistical literacy of scientific articles with quantitative methods

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Total 50 h face-to-face teaching including lectures and exercise (partly computer exercises). Independent work 83 h.

Target group:

Minor students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

The recommended prerequisite prior to enrolling for the course is the completion of the course: 806118P Introduction to Statistics or 806116P Statistics for Economic Sciences.

Recommended optional programme components:

After the course, student is able to continue other statistics courses.

Recommended or required reading:

Lecture notes

Assessment methods and criteria:

Mid-term exams and/or final exam and possible homework.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Jari Pääkkilä

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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750121P: Cell biology, 5 op

Voimassaolo: - 31.07.2020

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Häggman, Hely Margaretha, Henrika Honkanen, Kuittinen, Helmi Helena

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits / 133 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish.

Timing:

B.Sc. 1st autumn.

Learning outcomes:

The student is familiar with cellular structure and functioning in plant and animal cells, understands the social structures in multicellular species and knows why and how the genetic organizations (in nucleus, chloroplast and mitochondria) are co-operating, maintaining and regulating the cellular metabolism. Student understands the common origin and evolution of life on planet Earth, and understands the material basis and mechanisms of this continuity.

Contents:

During the recent years especially the development of molecular and microscopic and imaging techniques has increased our knowledge on cells and their social interactions. The structural and functional characteristics of plant and animal cells will be covered as well as the genetic organization maintaining and regulating the system.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

72 h lectures, three exams (zoology, botany, genetics). Home essays and internet material.

Target group:

Compulsory to the biology and biochemistry students.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Good basics in biology from elementary school.

Recommended optional programme components:

Cell biology is prerequisite for the following courses: Developmental biology-histology lectures and exercises (751367A, 755317A), Animal physiology lectures and exercises (751388A, 755318A), Functional plant biology lectures and exercises (752345A, 756341A), Concepts of genetics (753124P). Course also gives readiness for studies in molecular biology and biochemistry.

Recommended or required reading:

Textbooks Alberts, B. et al. 2008: Molecular Biology of the Cell (5e). Garland Science Publishing, London, 1268 p. ISBN: 0815341067. (Lodish et al. 2008: Molecular Cell Biology (6e). Freeman, New York, 1150 p.). The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Three exams.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail. Final grade is average value of the three exams.

Person responsible:

Prof. Seppo Saarela, Prof. Hely Häggman and Dr. Helmi Kuittinen.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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757122P: Concepts of genetics for biochemists, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Savolainen Outi

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Assessment methods and criteria:

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

806118P: Introduction to Statistics, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.06.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Mathematics

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay806118P Introduction to Statistics (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

806113P Introduction to Statistics A 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

3rd period

Learning outcomes:

After completing the course, student will be able to

- consider issues influencing to data collection
- describe data by appropriate methods (tables, statistics and graphical presentations)
- evaluate the effect size of the sample to the margin of error for instance in Gallup polls and in different market researches
- interpret output of a statistical software.

Contents:

- collecting data, e.g. sampling
- variables and measuring

- descriptive statistical methods and their selection
- margin of error of estimator for population mean and proportion
- statistical literacy
- basic analysis of data using statistical software

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Total 50 h face-to-face teaching including lectures and exercise (partly computer exercises). Independent work 83 h.

Target group:

Minor students

Recommended optional programme components:

After the course, student is able to continue other statistics courses.

Recommended or required reading:

Lecture notes

Assessment methods and criteria:

Mid-term exams and/or final exam and possible homework.

Grading:

Fail, 1-5

Person responsible:

Jari Päckilä

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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746103P: Basic studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746304A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

H325430: Recommended optional studies - BSc Int exchange, 4 - 30 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Electives

781305A: Organic Chemistry I, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

After passing the course the student can explain the basics in molecular orbitals in simple organic compounds such as ethane, basics in physical organic chemistry especially the Hammett plot, details in nucleophilic substitution, conformation and the basics in stereochemistry of organic compounds.

Contents:

Molecular orbitals in organic compounds, conformation theory, Hammett plot, nucleophilic substitution and basics of stereochemistry.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

42 hours of lectures, 92 hours self study

Target group:

Chemistry, compulsory. In the entity of 60 credits, compulsory.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780103P or 780116P) and the courses General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry B (780118P); or the courses General and Inorganic Chemistry I (780114P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry II (780115P); OR Introduction to Chemistry (780113P) or Introduction to Physical Chemistry (780101P).

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Clayden, J., Greeves, N., Warren, S. and Wothers, P.: Organic Chemistry, Oxford University Press, 2nd. edition, Chapters 1-4, 7, 14-16, and pages 1041-1049.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Osmo Horni

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780119P: Introduction to Analytical Chemistry, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

780110P Analytical Chemistry I 5.5 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion the student should have acquired knowledge and understanding of basic concepts of quantitative chemical analysis employing classical methods of analysis.

Contents:

Steps in quantitative analysis, statistical evaluation of analytical data, chemical equilibrium in aqueous solutions, gravimetry, titrimetry, spectrophotometry.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 hours of lectures + 20 hours of exercises + 83 hours of self-study

Target group:

Chemistry, compulsory. In the study entity of 25 credits compulsory.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry B (780118P), or General and Inorganic Chemistry I (780114P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry II (780115P), or Introduction to Chemistry (780113P), or Basic Principles in Chemistry (780109P).

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Saarinen, H. ja Lajunen, L.H.J.: Analyttisen kemian perusteet, Oulun yliopistopaino, 2004.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Paavo Perämäki

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

755323A: Animal physiology lectures, 5 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2015 - 31.07.2020**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Field of Biology**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

751388A Animal physiology 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits / 133 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish.

Timing:

B.Sc. 2nd spring.

Learning outcomes:

After completing the course the student is able to form a general view of animal body functions, the regulation of organ systems, and the background of human health and diseases.

Contents:

Course focus on the basic problematic of physiological themes including nervous system, muscles, circulation, nutrition, metabolism, immune system, hormones and reproduction physiology.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

50 h lectures and independent studying, mid-semester exams, home essays.

Target group:

Compulsory to the biology students.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cell biology (750121P) or equivalent knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

This course is a prerequisite for the courses Animal physiology, exercises (755318A), Comparative animal physiology (751x84A/S) and Advanced course in animal physiology (751635S).

Recommended or required reading:

Reece, J.B. Urry, L.A. Cain, M.L., Wasserman, S.A. Minorsky, P.V. & Jackson R.B. 2011: Campbell Biology (9e). Pearson, Global Edition, 1309 p, handouts. The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

Assessment methods and criteria:

Home essays and exam. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Esa Hohtola.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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030005P: Information Skills, 1 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Technology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Ursula Heinikoski, Sassali, Jani Henrik

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

030004P Introduction to Information Retrieval 0.0 op

ECTS Credits:

1 ECTS credit

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:

Students know the different phases of information retrieval process and basic techniques of scientific information retrieval. They will find the most important reference databases of their discipline and know how to evaluate information sources and retrieval results.

Contents:

Retrieval of scientific information, the retrieval process, key databases of the discipline, and evaluation of information retrieval and information sources.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching: classroom training, web-based learning material and exercises in Optima environment, a final assignment on a topic of the student's own choice

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Training sessions 8h, group working 7h, self-study 12h

Target group:

Compulsory for all students of the Faculty of Technology, the Faculty of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering and the Faculty of Architecture. In the Faculty of Science compulsory for students of biology, physics, geosciences, chemistry and geography. Optional for students of biochemistry and mathematics.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Web learning material <https://wiki oulu.fi/display/030005P>.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Passing the course requires participation in the training sessions and successful completion of the course assignments.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Science and Technology Library Tellus, tellustieto (at) oulu.fi

Working life cooperation:

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Other information:

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780329A: Laboratory Course I in Organic Chemistry, 4 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Johanna Kärkkäinen, Juha Heiskanen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

4 credits/107 hours of work

Learning activities and teaching methods:

The current course 781307A Laboratory Works in Organic Chemistry, 5 cr

740074Y: Tutoring/confidential posts, 1,5 op

Opiskelumuoto: General Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

1.5 credits

Contents:

For this study a student acts as a tutor for a group of new students, as a member of Working group on development of teaching (OKTR) or as a member of working committee of OKTR .

Learning activities and teaching methods:

10-20 h tutoring of a small group, autumn yr2-yr3, activity in Working group on development of teaching (OKTR) or in working committee of OKTR. Optional.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

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Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa, Kontinkangas

H325431: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - BSc, 0 - 75 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Studies taken/ planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

746102P: Basic studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746103P: Basic studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746300A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746304A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock
Opintokohteen kielet: English
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -
Opiskelumuoto: Other Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Karppinen, Peppi Leena Elina
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

902100Y: English for Biochemists 1, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Language and Communication Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Negotiated Education
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: English
Leikkaavuudet:
 ay902100Y English for Biochemists 1 (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Proficiency level:

CEFR B2 - C1 for Reading, Speaking and Listening

Status:

Compulsory for all 1st year biochemistry students unless you have received the grade "L" or "E" in the Finnish matriculation exam, in which case you can be exempted for some of the course.

Required proficiency level:

English must have been the A1 or A2 language at school or equivalent English skills acquired otherwise.

ECTS Credits:

The student workload is 80 hrs work/ 3 ECTS credits.

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

1st year autumn and spring term

Learning outcomes:

The aim of this course is to develop reading strategies, reading and listening comprehension skills and oral/aural fluency of participants.

By the end of the course students will:

- be familiar with various reading strategies for different purposes
- be able to apply personalised vocabulary-learning techniques
- demonstrate effective note-taking techniques and the ability to summarise when working with texts
- have demonstrated lecture listening and note-taking skills in field-related situations
- be able to present field-related subjects and use appropriate field-related vocabulary
- be able to defend a position in a debate
- have demonstrated the ability to participate in pair work communication and small group discussions.

Contents:

Core skills practiced on this course are the following:

EfB 1a: reading in order to understand biochemistry texts or textbooks and research articles; applying different reading strategies to extract global or detailed information according to the reading purpose; understanding word formation in order to expand vocabulary, both general scientific and field-specific; understanding basic grammatical structures of scientific English as well as text structure and cohesion markers for improved comprehension.

EfB 1b: practicing oral/aural skills relevant to studying at university level (lecture listening), taking part in the scientific community using professional vocabulary and demonstrating field-related knowledge and (discussions, laboratory work, debating).

Mode of delivery:

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Learning activities and teaching methods:

See Contents

Target group:

1st year Biochemistry students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

902101Y English for Biochemists 2

Recommended or required reading:

Course materials will be provided by the teacher.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Evaluation is based on assessment of active participation in class and the completion of end-term test and participating in small group tutoring for debate.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Eva Braidwood

Working life cooperation:

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Other information:

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740076Y: Orientation, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: General Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course the students should be able to:

- go in Linnanmaa and Kontinkangas campus and find various supporting services
- use university terminology
- plan his studies and create a personal study plan (PSP) according to BSc degree structure
- use Weboodi to support his studies
- describe research work done in the faculty and biochemist's work

Contents:

Course familiarizes students with university studies and environment and illustrate goals and content of biochemistry degree programme. Under the guidance of faculty personnel (Chaperones) students see the spectrum of scientific research done in the Faculty and biochemists doing a research work. In a seminar "biochemist in working life" biochemists graduated from the Faculty give a talk on their experiences in working life.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

10-15 h group work (small group tutoring), 16 h presentation of research work done in the Faculty, 2 h seminar

Target group:

yr1 BSc students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Active attendance

Grading:

Pass/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen and small group tutors and chaperones

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa and Kontinkangas

901051Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Oral Skills, 2 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2014 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Language and Communication Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Negotiated Education**Opintokohteen kielet:** Swedish**901050Y: Second Official Language (Swedish), Written Skills, 1 op****Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2014 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Language and Communication Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Negotiated Education**Opintokohteen kielet:** Swedish**740144P: Biochemical Methodologies I, 8 op****Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jari Heikkinen**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay740153P Basic biochemistry 2: Methods (OPEN UNI) 2.0 op

740151P Biochemical methodologies I 10.0 op

740117P Basic methods in biochemistry 4.0 op

740136P Laboratory course in basic methods of biochemistry 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä**ECTS Credits:**

8 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr1 autumn (lectures), yr1 spring (laboratory practicals)

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- use basic methods used in biochemical research laboratory
- Use laboratory equipment and work safely
- Prepare solutions used in the lab
- document experiments in the laboratory

Contents:

This module covers the basic methodologies used in practical biochemistry. The following topics will be addressed: safety in the laboratory, qualitative and quantitative observations, the calculations of concentrations and dilution factors (includes a workshop), pipette cleaning and calibration, identification and quantification of biological molecules, principles and practice of the use of centrifuges, spectrophotometry, SDS-PAGE, agarose gel electrophoresis, thin-layer and paper chromatography, basics of protein purification, extraction of chromosomal DNA from bacteria, mini-prep extraction of plasmid DNA, extraction of RNA from mammalian tissue, extraction of lipids from nutmeg, sterile technique, basic microbial growth, dialysis, filtration and pH measurement.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

18 h le, 2h exercises, 120 h lab. Laboratory work is compulsory. It is possible to complete lecture part only (3.5 ECTS).

Target group:

Major students, Biology BSC-BS

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules, Biomolecules for Biochemists tai Biomolecules for Bioscientists

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended reading: Reed, Holmes, Weyers & Jones: Practical skills in biomolecular sciences, 4th edition, Pearson, 2013.

You can check the availability of the course books via [this link](#)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (home works, lab reports), final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Jari Heikkinen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: lectures (in Finnish) at Linnanmaa campus, laboratory practicals at Kontinkangas campus.

740143P: Biomolecules for Biochemists, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

ay740157P	Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI)	4.0 op
ay740152P	Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI)	5.0 op
740147P	Biomolecules for Bioscientists	8.0 op
740148P	Biomolecules	5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc yr1 autumn-spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell the composition, structure and function of the major groups of biomolecules in cells; nucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids and describe the forces that modulate their function.
- apply information in the right context and evaluate it critically
- In addition, students on the 8op versions are able to work in the biochemical laboratory, are able to solve calculations and problems and are able to interpret the scientific data they generate.

Contents:

This module provides an overview of biochemistry, outlining the forces involved in biomolecule structure and the chemical structures and properties of polynucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids. There will also be an introduction to prebiotic evolution and a student debate on this subject. The module is arranged into lectures, workshops, a student debate and laboratory work. All of the exercises are in English. Both a final examination and continuous assessment will count towards the final mark and attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 h lectures, 48 h lab., plus exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

-

Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

Mathews, van Holde & Ahern: Biochemistry, (3rd edition), published by Addison Wesley Longman, Inc. or equivalent.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, final examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: lectures and computing at Linnanmaa campus, wet labs at Kontinkangas campus

740146P: Metabolism I, 6 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Tuomo Glumoff**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay740158P Basic biochemistry 3: Metabolis (OPEN UNI) 4.0 op

ay740154P Basic biochemistry 3: Metabolis (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

740149P Metabolism I 4.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

740145P: Physical Biochemistry, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: André Juffer

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- define the relevance of theoretical concepts to the biosciences
- tell where various equations of physical biochemistry come from
- discuss the link between theory and experiment
- perform simple but realistic calculations

Contents:

This module will cover the concepts of thermodynamics and their application to biochemical systems plus chemical and enzymatic kinetics. Topics covered will include:

Concepts of thermodynamics: First, Second and Third Law of Thermodynamics. Heat. Work. Enthalpy. Entropy, Gibbs and Helmholtz free energy, Chemical potential, Chemical potential of a solute, Free energy and equilibrium.

Applications of thermodynamics: Chemical reactions, Protein-ligand association, Acids, bases and pH regulation, Acid-dissociation constants, introduction to thermodynamics of protein folding.

Chemical kinetics: Basic chemical reactions and single step reactions, Applications of chemical kinetics to multistep reactions, Catalysis and enzyme kinetics.

Attendance of some parts of the course is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

36 h le and exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended books:

Price NC *et al.*, *Principles and problems in Physical chemistry for Biochemists*, Third edition, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2001.

Atkins P and De Paula J, *Physical chemistry*, 8ed, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2006.

Atkins P and de Paula J. *Physical chemistry for the life science*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2006.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Homeworks, workshops, no exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

André Juffer

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

740150P: Transferable skills for biochemists, 2 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

2 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

BSc yr1 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- process gel photographs taken in practicals and embed them into lab reports
- use Microsoft Word to write reports
- create standard curves using Microsoft Excel
- explain how to construct a good oral presentation
- list the basics of good scientific practice

Contents:

On overview is given of a commonly used word processor (Microsoft Word) and spreadsheet (Microsoft Excel). Students will be taught to use these software to create lab reports (word processing, gel photograph processing and embedding in lab reports). Other topics are the basics of oral presentation, ethics in scientific research and good scientific practice. Attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures and computer practicals all together 14 hr, home exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended reading: Reed, Holmes, Weyers & Jones: Practical skills in biomolecular sciences, 4th edition, Pearson, 2013.

You can check the availability of the course books via [this link](#)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa, partly Kontinkangas

740362A: Cellular Biology, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Sakari Kellokumpu

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

- 740323A Cell culture course 3.0 op
744610S Advanced course for cell biology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- interpret and analyze the general molecular mechanisms of cell functions
- plan how such molecular mechanisms can be studied in vitro and in vivo
- track the molecular defects that might be responsible for abnormal functioning of cells e.g. in disease states

Contents:

The aim of the course is to deepen the knowledge about where in the cell different biochemical reactions take place, how the molecules are trafficked between organelles, and how these phenomena can be studied in cultured cells. The course aims to address specifically the specific functions of the organelles in an eukaryotic cell, transport of material into and out of the cells, and how the cytoskeleton serves many of these functions. The course contains practical lab work, during which the students learn basic skills on cell culture and fluorescence microscopy. The practical course is compulsory for the Biochemistry students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 h lectures, 40 h lab

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cell biology, Biomolecules for biochemists, Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Lodish, et al., Molecular Cell Biology (partly), 4th edition. W.H. Freeman and Company

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lab reports, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Sakari Kellokumpu

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

740366A: Cellular Communication, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- name, list and discuss the major intra- and intercellular signalling pathways
- present, describe and discuss characteristic features of signalling pathways
- describe how to study, examine and analyse signalling pathways

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of the main cellular signalling pathways. The main emphasis will be made on the signalling pathways involved in the action of various hormones, growth factors, lipid-derived signaling molecules, and their cell surface and intracellular receptors, intracellular second messengers and protein kinases and phosphatases. The course involves a 40 h practical course (+written reports) in which cultured cells are used as targets to visualize certain hormone or drug-induced signaling molecules, their interactions, and how these regulate e.g. normal cell growth and/or cell death in culture. Attendance at practical course is obligatory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, 32 h practicals

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Laboratory practicals, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus

740376A: Essay (B.Sc. thesis), 10 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Tuomo Glumoff**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

10 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Students should be able to execute a project to produce a thesis type of output, be well aware of current research trends in biochemistry, be able to critically select knowledge from the literature, be able to discuss and debate scientific results, and be able to choose and evaluate proper form of presentation for each purpose.

Contents:

The theme of the module is public understanding of science and the reporting of biochemical research using different methods and for different audiences. During the course students will learn on a general level about different fields of biochemistry and their specific questions, orientation of biochemical research and organization of research into projects. Practical exercises will contain presenting of a given subject in different forms, which may be a talk, a short article, a poster, a press release or a research proposal. A literature report will be written as well as a popularized presentation of it. In addition the course is linked to the module Ruotsin kieli (Swedish language).

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

about 50 h lectures, seminars, small groups and practicals, also self study and student presentations

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Course is for BSc yr3 students

Recommended optional programme components:

Information skills 030005P is recommended for completion simultaneously.

Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Writing and presentation of BSc thesis.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

740372A: Final Examination, 6 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- present the full breadth of the core topics of biochemistry
- Integrate material from multiple sources

Contents:

This examination will test the ability of students to integrate knowledge from the core biochemistry modules they have taken during their BSc. It will include questions covering the material from Biomolecules for Biochemists, Biochemical methodologies I, Physical biochemistry, Metabolism I, Molecular biology I, Cellular biology, Microbiology, Protein Chemistry I, Cellular communication and Metabolism II. The questions will require an understanding of the basic principles of biochemistry and each will be based on subject specific material from at least two modules.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Student self-study

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa, Kontinkangas

740377A: Maturity test (B.Sc. degree), 0 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

0 credits

Timing:

BSc yr3 spring

Learning outcomes:

After BSc maturity test student is able to write a logical and analytical summary of his BSc thesis.

Contents:

Maturity test (B.Sc.) will be written in the topic of B.Sc. thesis. In the test student proves to command both the subject of B.Sc thesis and native language.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Target group:

Major students

Assessment methods and criteria:

An essay written under invigilation (4 pages, 500 words).

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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740367A: Metabolism II, 6 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Lauri Eklund**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740375A Metabolism II 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Students should be able to outline in detail how cells use various small and large molecules, how cells synthesize and degrade metabolites for their needs, and how metabolic network is connected and integrated.

Contents:

Metabolism II completes the discussion of energy metabolism by combining it with metabolism of nitrogen-containing compounds and synthesis and degradation of different biomolecules, as well as extends the analysis of the central concepts and mechanisms of metabolism. It will be seen how the metabolic pathways that were examined separately will be connected to each other and regulated. Some chemical mechanisms of pathways as well as ways to supply precursors for the main stream pathways will be handled. Special aspects of metabolism, like tissue specificity and physiological states, will also be studied. Photosynthesis is studied as continuation to energy metabolism.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures 29h, workshops 27h, 4 workshop reports, final exam. Attendance at workshops is obligatory.

Target group:

Major subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Metabolism I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (homeworks, workshops), final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Lauri Eklund

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa

740363A: Microbiology, 6 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Pospiech, Helmut**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

740374A Microbiology 3.0 op

740322A Microbiology 3.0 op

740324A Laboratory course in microbiology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr1 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- define the typical features of bacteria, archaea, fungi and virus and explain the diversity of different groups of microorganisms
- explain the basic aspects of microbial metabolism
- understand the basics of microbial growth, enrichment, culture and growth control both in the environment and in contained culture
- explain the essential roles of microorganisms in our environment
- apply their knowledge for the growth and its control of standard laboratory microorganisms
- have a basic understanding of the industrial use of microorganisms or microbial compounds.

Contents:

This module is an introduction to general and applied microbiology and consists of lecture and laboratory exercises. In the lectures, the diversity and classification of microorganisms, especially bacteria will be introduced. Further topics are the structure and function of the prokaryotic cell, bacterial growth, metabolism and physiology, the importance of bacteria in different ecosystems as well as the industrial use of bacteria. The exercises introduce basic microbiological methods and techniques for the aseptic work. These include culture on solid and in liquid media, transfer of bacteria by streaking or spreading, the use of dilution and enrichment techniques, the inhibition of bacterial growth, measurement of bacterial growth and death, and finally the basics of transformation and bacteriophage infection and its use in molecular biology. Attendance at practical course is obligatory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 hours lecture and 60 hours laboratory exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules for Biochemists and Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

M. Salkinoja-Salonen (ed.) (2002) Mikrobiologian perusteita, Helsingin yliopisto; Michael T. Madigan, John M. Martinko, Paul V. Dunlap, and David P. Clark Parker (2010) Brock biology of microorganisms, 12th ed. Prentice Hall International. Microbiology laboratory exercises, Dept. Biochemistry (2010).

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (home works, lab reports), final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Helmut Pospiech

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Lectures: Linnanmaa, laboratory: Kontinkangas

740361A: Molecular Biology I, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Mirva Saaranen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740373A Molecular Biology I 4.0 op

740318A Molecular Biology 4.0 op

740337A Laboratory Course in Molecular Biology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After this course students should understand the basics of molecular biology and be able to use modern molecular biology methods.

Contents:

The course covers gene structure, DNA replication, recombination, transcription, translation and basics of gene expression. The student will learn the most common recombinant DNA techniques, such as PCR, use of restriction endonucleases, preparation of recombinant plasmids and DNA sequencing. Attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, 4 h computer exercise, 80 h lab, theoretical exercises, homeworks

Target group:

Major subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology, Biomolecules for Biochemists and Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Mathews, CK, van Holde KT, Applins DR, Anthony-Cahill SJ: Biochemistry (4th edition). Optional.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Homeworks 40 %, lab reports 20 % and final exam 40 %.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

1-5/fail.

Person responsible:

Mirva Saaranen and Aki Manninen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Lectures: Linnanmaa, laboratory: Kontinkangas

740364A: Protein Chemistry I, 8 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Martti Koski**Opintokohteen kielet:** English**ECTS Credits:**

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell the relevance of protein structure, including post-translational modification, to protein function
- describe the techniques available to purify proteins and to study protein function and have an appreciation of the applications and limitations of these techniques
- analyze a wide range of biochemical data and solve problems relating to the interpretation of data concerning protein function and basic structural characterization

Contents:

This module provides more detailed information on the chemistry of proteins. Topics covered include protein purification, reversible and irreversible covalent modifications of proteins, protein translocation, protein degradation, an introduction to the protein folding problem, protein structure analysis, basic enzyme catalysis mechanisms and co-enzymes. The module includes lectures, continuous assessments, group works, student presentations, and laboratory exercises. Final examination, lecture attendance/ continuous assessments, presentations and laboratory reports will all count towards the final mark. Attendance at laboratory exercises is obligatory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 h lectures, 80 h lab, exercises

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules for Biochemists, Biochemical methodologies I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Recommended reading": Greighton: Proteins, Structure and Molecular Properties, W.H. Freeman & Co, 2002 (2nd ed.)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Presentation, lab reports, final exam, attendance / continuous assessment

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Kristian Koski

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Lectures at Linnanmaa campus, laboratory exercises at Kontinkangas campus.

780117P: General and Inorganic Chemistry A, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay780117P General and Inorganic Chemistry A (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

1st autumn

Learning outcomes:

After this course the student should understand basic concepts of chemistry as described in international general chemistry curriculum.

Contents:

Basic concepts of chemistry, chemical formula, chemical reaction, chemical equation, oxidation-reduction reactions, stoichiometry, gases, chemical equilibrium, acids and bases, additional aspects of acid-base equilibria, solubility and complex-ion equilibria.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

32 hours of lectures and applications, 20 hours of exercises and 82 hours of self-study

Target group:

Biochemistry, Chemistry, Biology, Geology, Mechanical Engineering, Process Engineering, Environmental Engineering compulsory. In the entity of 25 credits (minor studies), compulsory. Physical sciences, Mathematical sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Upper secondary school chemistry

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Petrucci, R.H., Herring, F.G., Madura, J.D. ja Bissonnette, C.: General Chemistry: Principles and Modern Applications, 10. edition (also 7., 8. and 9. edition), Pearson Canada Inc., Toronto, 2011. Chapters 1 – 6, 15 – 18.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Lecturer Leena Kaila

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780118P: General and Inorganic Chemistry B, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay780118P General and Inorganic Chemistry B (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

1st autumn

Learning outcomes:

After this course the student should understand basic concepts of chemistry as described in international general chemistry curriculum.

Contents:

Thermodynamics, reaction kinetics, electrochemistry, electrons in atoms, periodic table, chemical bond, intermolecular forces.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

36 hours of lectures and applications, 22 hours of exercises, 82 hours of self-study

Target group:

Biochemistry, Chemistry, compulsory. In the entity of 25 credits (minor studies), compulsory. Physical sciences, Mathematical sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Upper secondary school chemistry

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Petrucci, R.H., Herring, F.G., Madura, J.D. ja Bissonnette, C.: General Chemistry: Principles and Modern Applications, 10. edition (also 7., 8. and 9. edition), Pearson Canada Inc., Toronto, 2011. Chapters 7 – 12.1, 12.5 – 12.7, 14, 19 – 20.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Lecturer Leena Kaila

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780116P: Introduction to Organic Chemistry, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay780116P Introduction to Organic Chemistry (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish. Book-examination in English as well.

Timing:

1st autumn and 1st spring

Learning outcomes:

After this course, the student can explain organic chemistry fundamentals, basic concepts and terminology, can use them for the description of organic chemistry phenomena. He/she can name organic structures, explain their properties, deduce basic reaction types and solve their mechanisms.

Contents:

Basic reactions of organic compounds, basic principles of stereochemistry and reaction mechanisms: Addition, elimination, substitution, including electrophilic aromatic substitution, reactions of carbonyl group. Applications.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

42 hours of lectures plus 12 hours of exercises, 80 hours of independent self-study

Target group:

Biochemistry, Chemistry, Biology, Process Engineering, Environmental Engineering and in the study entity of 25 credits, compulsory. Physical Sciences, Geology, Geography, Mathematical Sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Upper secondary school chemistry

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Hart, H., Hart, D.J. and Craine, L.E.: Organic Chemistry: A Short Course, 10 th ed. or the newer edition, Houghton Mifflin Boston, 1999; Hart, H., Hart, D.J. and Craine, L.E.: Study Guide & Solutions Book, Organic Chemistry: A Short Course, 10th ed. or the newer edition, Houghton Mifflin Boston, 1999.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Dr. Johanna Kärkkäinen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780123P: Introductory Laboratory Works in Chemistry, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

1st autumn or 1st spring

Learning outcomes:

After this course, the student can apply laboratory safety instructions and act accordingly. He/she can communicate by using basic laboratory terminology and work in a group under the guidance. The student identifies basic laboratory equipment and can use them properly. He/she recognizes the importance of the planning of the laboratory work. The student is able to utilize the basic chemistry techniques and determination methods in the given task. Furthermore, the student can also make laboratory notes and write a report on the performed task.

Contents:

Laboratory safety, basic laboratory equipment, basic chemistry techniques and determination methods as well as some of their theoretical background, carrying out chemical synthesis and checking the purity of the product, problems related to the studied determination methods, keeping a laboratory notebook, writing a report.

Mode of delivery:

Supervised laboratory work, independently done preparatory problems.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Safety in laboratory 2 hours, 65 hours of laboratory work + demonstrations + problems, 67 hours of self-study.

Target group:

Biochemistry, Process Engineering, Environmental engineering, compulsory. In the entity of 25 credits, compulsory. Physical Sciences, Geology, Mathematical Sciences, optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P, 5 cr) and Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780116P, 5 cr). Student is allowed to participate to the course simultaneously when participating the prerequisites. Attendance at the lecture of Safety in laboratory is compulsory.

Recommended optional programme components:

Participation in the courses General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P, 5 cr) and Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780116P, 5 cr).

Recommended or required reading:

Instruction Book (in Finnish): Kemian perustyöt

Assessment methods and criteria:

Accomplishment of the course requires accepted preparatory problems, laboratory exercises, problems related to them and final examination. Laboratory exercises and final examination has to be completed within next two terms.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes verbal grading scale pass/fail.

Person responsible:

Ph.D. Teija Kangas

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Attendance at the lecture of Safety at work is compulsory. The exercises must be done before each laboratory assignment. Deadline of the written report is binding. Failure will lead to the renewal of the work.

806119P: A Second Course in Statistics, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.06.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Mathematics

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

806113P	Introduction to Statistics A	5.0 op
806109P	Basic Methods in Statistics I	9.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

4th period

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, student will be able to

- analyze continuous and categorical response in the most common experimental and observational studies
- critically evaluate scientific articles
- implement and interpret analyses of a statistical software concerning issues of the course.

Contents:

- Skills for performing statistical analyses and inferences on the basis of data obtained in common experimental and observational studies are expanded and deepened
- statistical literacy of scientific articles with quantitative methods

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Total 50 h face-to-face teaching including lectures and exercise (partly computer exercises). Independent work 83 h.

Target group:

Minor students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

The recommended prerequisite prior to enrolling for the course is the completion of the course: 806118P Introduction to Statistics or 806116P Statistics for Economic Sciences.

Recommended optional programme components:

After the course, student is able to continue other statistics courses.

Recommended or required reading:

Lecture notes

Assessment methods and criteria:

Mid-term exams and/or final exam and possible homework.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 1-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Jari Pääkkilä

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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750121P: Cell biology, 5 op

Voimassaolo: - 31.07.2020

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Häggman, Hely Margaretha, Henrika Honkanen, Kuittinen, Helmi Helena

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits / 133 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish.

Timing:

B.Sc. 1st autumn.

Learning outcomes:

The student is familiar with cellular structure and functioning in plant and animal cells, understands the social structures in multicellular species and knows why and how the genetic organizations (in nucleus, chloroplast and mitochondria) are co-operating, maintaining and regulating the cellular metabolism. Student understands the common origin and evolution of life on planet Earth, and understands the material basis and mechanisms of this continuity.

Contents:

During the recent years especially the development of molecular and microscopic and imaging techniques has increased our knowledge on cells and their social interactions. The structural and functional characteristics of plant and animal cells will be covered as well as the genetic organization maintaining and regulating the system.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

72 h lectures, three exams (zoology, botany, genetics). Home essays and internet material.

Target group:

Compulsory to the biology and biochemistry students.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Good basics in biology from elementary school.

Recommended optional programme components:

Cell biology is prerequisite for the following courses: Developmental biology-histology lectures and exercises (751367A, 755317A), Animal physiology lectures and exercises (751388A, 755318A), Functional plant biology lectures and exercises (752345A, 756341A), Concepts of genetics (753124P). Course also gives readiness for studies in molecular biology and biochemistry.

Recommended or required reading:

Textbooks Alberts, B. et al. 2008: Molecular Biology of the Cell (5e). Garland Science Publishing, London, 1268 p. ISBN: 0815341067. (Lodish et al. 2008: Molecular Cell Biology (6e). Freeman, New York, 1150 p.). The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Three exams.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail. Final grade is average value of the three exams.

Person responsible:

Prof. Seppo Saarela, Prof. Hely Häggman and Dr. Helmi Kuittinen.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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757122P: Concepts of genetics for biochemists, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Savolainen Outi

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Assessment methods and criteria:

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

806118P: Introduction to Statistics, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.06.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Mathematics

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay806118P Introduction to Statistics (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

806113P Introduction to Statistics A 5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

3rd period

Learning outcomes:

After completing the course, student will be able to

- consider issues influencing to data collection
- describe data by appropriate methods (tables, statistics and graphical presentations)
- evaluate the effect size of the sample to the margin of error for instance in Gallup polls and in different market researches
- interpret output of a statistical software.

Contents:

- collecting data, e.g. sampling
- variables and measuring
- descriptive statistical methods and their selection
- margin of error of estimator for population mean and proportion
- statistical literacy
- basic analysis of data using statistical software

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Total 50 h face-to-face teaching including lectures and exercise (partly computer exercises). Independent work 83 h.

Target group:

Minor students

Recommended optional programme components:

After the course, student is able to continue other statistics courses.

Recommended or required reading:

Lecture notes

Assessment methods and criteria:

Mid-term exams and/or final exam and possible homework.

Grading:

Fail, 1-5

Person responsible:

Jari Pääkkilä

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

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H325420: Recommended optional studies - BSc, 4 - 51 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Electives

781305A: Organic Chemistry I, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

After passing the course the student can explain the basics in molecular orbitals in simple organic compounds such as ethane, basics in physical organic chemistry especially the Hammett plot, details in nucleophilic substitution, conformation and the basics in stereochemistry of organic compounds.

Contents:

Molecular orbitals in organic compounds, conformation theory, Hammett plot, nucleophilic substitution and basics of stereochemistry.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

42 hours of lectures, 92 hours self study

Target group:

Chemistry, compulsory. In the entity of 60 credits, compulsory.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780103P or 780116P) and the courses General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry B (780118P); or the courses General and Inorganic Chemistry I (780114P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry II (780115P); OR Introduction to Chemistry (780113P) or Introduction to Physical Chemistry (780101P).

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Clayden, J., Greeves, N., Warren, S. and Wothers, P.: Organic Chemistry, Oxford University Press, 2nd. edition, Chapters 1-4, 7, 14-16, and pages 1041-1049.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Osmo Horni

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

780119P: Introduction to Analytical Chemistry, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Chemistry

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

780110P Analytical Chemistry I 5.5 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion the student should have acquired knowledge and understanding of basic concepts of quantitative chemical analysis employing classical methods of analysis.

Contents:

Steps in quantitative analysis, statistical evaluation of analytical data, chemical equilibrium in aqueous solutions, gravimetry, titrimetry, spectrophotometry.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 hours of lectures + 20 hours of exercises + 83 hours of self-study

Target group:

Chemistry, compulsory. In the study entity of 25 credits compulsory.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

General and Inorganic Chemistry A (780117P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry B (780118P), or General and Inorganic Chemistry I (780114P) and General and Inorganic Chemistry II (780115P), or Introduction to Chemistry (780113P), or Basic Principles in Chemistry (780109P).

Recommended optional programme components:

The course is an independent entity and does not require additional studies carried out at the same time.

Recommended or required reading:

Saarinen, H. ja Lajunen, L.H.J.: Analyttisen kemian perusteet, Oulun yliopistopaino, 2004.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Two intermediate examinations or one final examination. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Paavo Perämäki

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

No

755323A: Animal physiology lectures, 5 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2015 - 31.07.2020**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Field of Biology**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

751388A Animal physiology 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits / 133 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish.

Timing:

B.Sc. 2nd spring.

Learning outcomes:

After completing the course the student is able to form a general view of animal body functions, the regulation of organ systems, and the background of human health and diseases.

Contents:

Course focus on the basic problematic of physiological themes including nervous system, muscles, circulation, nutrition, metabolism, immune system, hormones and reproduction physiology.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

50 h lectures and independent studying, mid-semester exams, home essays.

Target group:

Compulsory to the biology students.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cell biology (750121P) or equivalent knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

This course is a prerequisite for the courses Animal physiology, exercises (755318A), Comparative animal physiology (751x84A/S) and Advanced course in animal physiology (751635S).

Recommended or required reading:

Reece, J.B. Urry, L.A. Cain, M.L., Wasserman, S.A. Minorsky, P.V. & Jackson R.B. 2011: Campbell Biology (9e). Pearson, Global Edition, 1309 p, handouts. The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

Assessment methods and criteria:

Home essays and exam. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Esa Hohtola.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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755327A: Animal physiology exercises, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 - 31.07.2017

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

755318A Animal physiology, exercises 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits / 133 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish.

Timing:

B.Sc. 3 rd autumn.

Learning outcomes:

Students know basic physiological methods and can design simple experiments.

Contents:

The laboratory course will familiarize students with the use of simple experimental trials, laboratory tests and computer aided measurements the physiological basic principles.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

32 h laboratory training, exam.

Target group:

BS compulsory, TEAbs optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cell biology (750121P) and Animal physiology, lectures (751388A).

Recommended optional programme components:

This course is a prerequisite for the courses Comparative animal physiology (751x84A/S), and Advanced animal physiology (751635S).

Recommended or required reading:

Animal physiology course booklet.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Exam. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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030005P: Information Skills, 1 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Technology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Ursula Heinikoski, Sassali, Jani Henrik

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

030004P Introduction to Information Retrieval 0.0 op

ECTS Credits:

1 ECTS credit

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

2nd or 3rd year

Learning outcomes:

Students know the different phases of information retrieval process and basic techniques of scientific information retrieval. They will find the most important reference databases of their discipline and know how to evaluate information sources and retrieval results.

Contents:

Retrieval of scientific information, the retrieval process, key databases of the discipline, and evaluation of information retrieval and information sources.

Mode of delivery:

Blended teaching: classroom training, web-based learning material and exercises in Optima environment, a final assignment on a topic of the student's own choice

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Training sessions 8h, group working 7h, self-study 12h

Target group:

Compulsory for all students of the Faculty of Technology, the Faculty of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering and the Faculty of Architecture. In the Faculty of Science compulsory for students of biology, physics, geosciences, chemistry and geography. Optional for students of biochemistry and mathematics.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Web learning material <https://wiki oulu.fi/display/030005P>.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Passing the course requires participation in the training sessions and successful completion of the course assignments.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

Science and Technology Library Tellus, tellustieto (at) oulu.fi

Working life cooperation:

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Other information:

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781307A: Laboratory Course I in Organic Chemistry, 5 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2015 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Field of Chemistry**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**ECTS Credits:**

5 credits /134 hours of work

Language of instruction:

Finnish, English on demand, materials in English (partly)

Timing:

2nd autumn

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the five different syntheses of the course, the student is familiar with safety issues, glassware and equipment, use of laboratory notebook and reporting of laboratory experiments. He/she should be able to work by using basic techniques of organic chemistry such as distillation, extraction, crystallization, TLC.

Contents:

Five different organic syntheses.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching in the laboratory

Learning activities and teaching methods:

2 h lectures (obligatory for all), 52h laboratory of supervised, independent laboratory work and 80 h self-study and reporting.

Target group:

Chemistry, compulsory

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

General and Inorganic Chemistry A and General and Inorganic Chemistry B (780117P and 780118P), Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780116P), and Introductory Laboratory Course (780123P) passed.
Or General and Inorganic Chemistry I and General and Inorganic Chemistry II (780114P and 780115P), or Introduction to Chemistry (780113P) or Introduction to Physical Chemistry (780101P) and Introduction to Inorganic Chemistry (780102P) or Basic Principles in Chemistry (780109P), Introduction to Organic Chemistry (780103P), and Introductory Laboratory Course (780122P or 780123P) passed.

Recommended optional programme components:

Participation in the course 781305A Organic Chemistry I.

Recommended or required reading:

Clayden, J., Greeves, N., Warren, S. and Wothers, P.: Organic Chemistry, Oxford University Press, 2001. Laboratory Course Manual.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Works, reports and the preliminary exam passed. The works must be done within the next two years. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

The course utilizes a numerical grading scale 0-5. In the numerical scale zero stands for a fail.

Person responsible:

Ph.D. Juha Heiskanen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

The reports must be returned to the teacher by the given deadline. Otherwise you have to do the work again.

740379A: Introduction to immunology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Valerio Izzi

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

743660S	Introduction to immunology	3.0 op
740378A	Basic immunobiology for biochemists	3.0 op
741661S	Immunobiology	3.0 op
740369A	Immunobiology	3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 autumn or M.Sc yr1-yr2 autumn

Learning outcomes:

After the course students will be able to identify, analyze and apply essential cellular molecules, components and mechanisms related to immunology, and complete their previous knowledge of molecular and cellular biology and protein chemistry with immunobiochemistry issues.

Contents:

The course handles both unspecific and specific immune response mechanisms, antibody structure and diversity, antibody-based immunodiagnostics, as well as basics of virus biochemistry.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures (12 h), a written home exercise, and a final exam.

Target group:

Major and minor subject undergraduates

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Preliminary required courses: Molekyylibiologia I, Protein chemistry I and Solun biologia, or equivalent basic molecular biology, protein chemistry and cell biology studies.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Home exercise, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Valerio Izzi

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as 743660S Introduction to immunology. Location of instruction: Kontinkangas campus.

740368A: Radiation and Safety, 5 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Sakari Kellokumpu**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

740320A Radiochemistry and Radiation Safety 4.5 op

740339A Laboratory course in isotope techniques 1.5 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion the students should be able to

- explain the character of ionizing radiation
- tell examples of biological effects of radiations
- work safely in the isotope laboratory
- summarize legislation and regulatory guides on radiation safety

Contents:

This course is composed of two lecture items, radiochemistry and radiation legislation, and practical course. Radiochemistry course will describe nature of radioactivity, decay types, interaction of radiation with matter and biological effects of ionizing radiation. In the legislation part radiation law and regulatory guides on radiation safety will be examined. During the practical course students will be familiarized with the use of radioisotopes, radiation protection and radiation safety rules. They will also be familiarized with some typical ways to use radiation in research work. Passing the lecture part not less than 3 (and the legislation part at least 3) and completion of practical course will qualify to act as a radiation safety officer (radiation law 592/91 18§) in the following fields of competence: 1) Use of unsealed sources in industry, research and education, 2) Use of sealed sources and X-ray appliances in industry, research and education, 3) Trade in radioactive substances.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Course is organized in co-operation with Department of Physics. 26 h lectures, 8 h exercises, 2 practicals with sealed radiation sources, 40 h lab

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biochemical methodologies I, Metabolism I and Molecular biology I

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Lecture handout, Radiation act and Radiation degree, Regulatory Guides on radiation safety, laboratory manual

Assessment methods and criteria:

Laboratory practicals, final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Sakari Kellokumpu

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Lectures: Linnanmaa, laboratory: Kontinkangas

740371A: Physiological Biochemistry, 4 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen oppimateriaali:

Murray, R.K., , 2006

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

742627S Physiological biochemistry 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

B.Sc. yr3 spring

Learning outcomes:

Aim of the course is to get students familiar with :

- Specific aspects of human biochemistry
- Structure, tasks and function of different organs
- Systemic and intracellular regulation of metabolism
- Functional and regulatory relations of different organs

Contents:

Lectures include information about morphology, function and role in metabolism of adipose tissue, kidney, muscle tissue and cytoskeleton, alimentary system and liver. They also focus on structure of biomembranes, composition and function of endocrine system, hormone synthesis and signal transduction. Mechanisms of action of hormones (especially steroid hormones), their cell surface and intracellular receptors, second messengers and other regulatory molecules will be discussed.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

18 h lectures, 4 h seminars, and 10 h laboratory work. Seminars and laboratory work are compulsory.

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

Alternative course: 751323A Animal physiology, lectures 5 op

Recommended or required reading:

Murray et al. Harpers' Illustrated Biochemistry (28 or 29th edition)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Kalervo Hiltunen

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Recommended optional course. Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

740380A: Virology, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Thomas Kietzmann

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

743661S Virology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

BSc. yr3 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- discuss the major groups of viruses and their infection and replication mechanisms
- present and discuss characteristic features of specific viruses and their relation to pathogenesis and immunity
- describe diagnostic methods and antiviral therapy

Contents:

The course covers basic aspects of virology. The main emphasis will be made on viral infection, replication, transcription, proteinsynthesis, virological diagnostics, infection kinetics, defense against viruses, ways of infection, vaccination, and antiviral therapy. The course involves lectures 10h and 10h seminars where the students should be able to recapitulate major aspects of the taught material in 5-7 min presentations.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 h lectures and student presentations in seminars

Target group:

Major students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cellular biology

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Thomas Kietzmann

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as Virology (743661S). Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

040900S: Using animals in research - carrying out procedures, 2,5 - 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2012 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Laboratory Animal Centre

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Voipio Hanna-marja

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

040911S Using animals in research - carrying out procedures 3.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

755320A: Developmental biology-histology, lectures, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Hohtola, Esa Juhani

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

751367A Developmental biology-histology 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits / 133 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish.

Timing:

B.Sc. 1 st spring.

Learning outcomes:

After completing the developmental biology -part of the course the student is able to name the most important events of embryonic development and the structural changes related to them. The student is also able to describe the principles gene regulation related to embryonic development. After completing the histology-part of the course the student is able to describe the various tissue types and the microscopic structure of important organs and is also able to identify tissue types and organs from microscopic sections.

Contents:

Motto: "It is not birth, marriage, or death, but gastrulation, which is truly the most important time in your life." (Lewis Wolpert, 1986). Developmental biology will cover gametogenesis, fertilization, forming of embryonic tissue layers (gastrulation), embryonic induction, signal molecules and the differentiation of the most important tissues and organs (organogenesis). Histology will first cover various tissue types, their cell types and matrix composition. Thereafter, the microscopic structure and tissue composition of various organs and organ systems will be covered. In both parts, practical exercises on drawing from microscopic slides (see 755317A) will support lectures.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

38 h lectures and two exams.

Target group:

Compulsory to biology students.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cell biology (750121P) or equivalent knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Lecture notes, lecture handouts. Recommended reading: Sariola, Frilander ym., Solusta yksilöksi: Kehitysbiologia, Duodecim, Helsinki 2003; Gilbert: Developmental Biology, Sinauer Press, 6.ed. 2000, or newer; Young & Heath: Wheater's Functional Histology, Churchill Livingstone, 4. ed. 2000, or newer. The availability of the literature can be checked from [this link](#).

Assessment methods and criteria:

2 lecture exams. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Person responsible:

Prof. Esa Hohtola.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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Compulsory

755320A-02: Developmental biology-histology, histology lectures, 0 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 - 31.12.2019

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Partial credit

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

751367A-02 Developmental biology-Histology, Histology lectures 0.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

755320A-01: Developmental biology-histology, Developmental biology lectures, 0 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 - 31.12.2019

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Partial credit

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

751367A-01 Developmental biology-histology, Developmental biology lectures 0.0 op

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

755317A: Developmental biology-histology, exercises, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 - 31.07.2019

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Field of Biology

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

5 ECTS credits / 133 hours of work.

Language of instruction:

Finnish.

Timing:

B. Sc. 1st spring.

Learning outcomes:

After completing the developmental biology -part of the course the student is able to name the most important events of embryonic development and the structural changes related to them. The student is also able to describe the principles gene regulation related to embryonic development. After completing the histology-part of the course the student is able to describe the various tissue types and the microscopic structure of important organs and is also able to identify tissue types and organs from microscopic sections.

Contents:

Motto: "It is not birth, marriage, or death, but gastrulation, which is truly the most important time in your life." (Lewis Wolpert, 1986). Developmental biology will cover gametogenesis, fertilization, forming of embryonic tissue layers (gastrulation), embryonic induction, signal molecules and the differentiation of the most important tissues and organs (organogenesis). Histology will first cover various tissue types, their cell types and matrix composition. Thereafter, the microscopic structure and tissue composition of various organs and organ systems will be covered. In both parts, practical exercises on drawing from microscopic slides (see 755317A) will support lectures.

Mode of delivery:

Face-to-face teaching.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

44 h exercises, microscopic studying and drawing from the preparates.

Target group:

BS: compulsory, TEAbs optional.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Cell biology (750121P) or equivalent knowledge.

Recommended optional programme components:

Same time with Developmental biology-histology lectures (751367A).

Recommended or required reading:

Handout.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Exercise exam.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5 / Fail.

Person responsible:

N.N.

Working life cooperation:

No.

Other information:

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740074Y: Tutoring/confidential posts, 1,5 op

Opiskelumuoto: General Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jari Heikkinen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

1.5 credits

Contents:

For this study a student acts as a tutor for a group of new students, as a member of Working group on development of teaching (OKTR) or as a member of working committee of OKTR .

Learning activities and teaching methods:

10-20 h tutoring of a small group, autumn yr2-yr3, activity in Working group on development of teaching (OKTR) or in working committee of OKTR. Optional.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

pass/fail

Person responsible:

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Other information:

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa, Kontinkangas

H325431: Studies in biochemistry in other universities / abroad - BSc, 0 - 75 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Study module

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Studies taken/ planned to be taken outside of University of Oulu can be added to PSP only after they have been accepted and registered to Oodi. These studies will appear in "Other completed courses" -tab where these can be picked up and add to PSP. Students can estimate the amount of credits to be taken outside and include these into following codes.

746102P: Basic studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746103P: Basic studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746300A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry in other universities, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746304A: Intermediate studies in biochemistry passed abroad, 0 - 75 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Lloyd Ruddock

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

746609M: Studies in other universities/institutes, 0 - 50 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2014 -

Opiskelumuoto: Other Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Karppinen, Peppi Leena Elina

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

Ei opintojaksokuvauksia.

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokokonaisuuksien ja -jaksojen kuvaukset

740148P: Biomolecules, 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

ay740157P	Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI)	4.0 op
ay740152P	Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI)	5.0 op
740143P	Biomolecules for Biochemists	8.0 op
740147P	Biomolecules for Bioscientists	8.0 op

ECTS Credits:

5 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

autumn-spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell the composition, structure and function of the major groups of biomolecules in cells; nucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids and describe the forces that modulate their function.
- apply information in the right context and evaluate it critically

Contents:

This module provides an overview of biochemistry, outlining the forces involved in biomolecule structure and the chemical structures and properties of polynucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids. There will also be an

introduction to prebiotic evolution and a student debate on this subject. The module is arranged into lectures, workshops, a student debate. All of the exercises are in English. Both a final examination and continuous assessment will count towards the final mark and attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 h lectures, plus exercises

Target group:

Minor subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Mathews, van Holde & Ahern: Biochemistry, (3rd edition) , published by Addison Wesley Longman, Inc. or equivalent

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, final examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as Biomolecules for Biochemists except that it contains no practical component. Location of instruction: Linnanmaa campus

740147P: Biomolecules for Bioscientists, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: English

Leikkaavuudet:

ay740157P	Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI)	4.0 op
ay740152P	Basic biochemistry 1: Biomolecules (OPEN UNI)	5.0 op
740143P	Biomolecules for Biochemists	8.0 op
740148P	Biomolecules	5.0 op

ECTS Credits:

8 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

autumn-spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- tell the composition, structure and function of the major groups of biomolecules in cells; nucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids and describe the forces that modulate their function.
- apply information in the right context and evaluate it critically
- In addition, students on the 8op versions are able to work in the biochemical laboratory, are able to solve calculations and problems and are able to interpret the scientific data they generate

Contents:

This module provides an overview of biochemistry, outlining the forces involved in biomolecule structure and the chemical structures and properties of polynucleic acids, proteins, carbohydrates and lipids. There will also be an

introduction to prebiotic evolution and a student debate on this subject. The module is arranged into lectures, workshops, a student debate and laboratory work. All of the exercises are in English. Both a final examination and continuous assessment will count towards the final mark and attendance of some parts is compulsory.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

30 h lectures, 48 h lab., plus exercises

Target group:

Minor subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Mathews, van Holde & Ahern: Biochemistry, (3rd edition), published by Addison Wesley Longman, Inc. or equivalent

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, final examination

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as Biomolecules for Biochemists except that there is the option for one of the exercises to be in Finnish. Location of instruction: Lectures: Linnanmaa, laboratory: Kontinkangas

743663S: Developmental biology, stem cells and tissue engineering, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Aleksandra Rak-Raszewska, Vainio Seppo

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

5 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr1-2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course the student have obtained an overview of how the development of tissues and organs is regulated and executed via developmental gene regulation and developmental programs behind morphogenesis. Students will become familiar with the classical and modern experimental embryological techniques during lectures and also with hands-on laboratory work.

Contents:

The course provides knowledge on use of various model organisms, basic information about embryology and early developmental mechanisms and signaling molecules. Introduces detailed description of development of few organ systems and provides knowledge about classical and novel study techniques to discover new developmental ques. The course has limited enrollment for 16 students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

32 h lectures, 3 assessments and 25 h laboratory work. Lectures (80% attendance), assessments and laboratory work are compulsory.

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, no exam

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Seppo Vainio and Aleksandra Rak-Raszewska

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

743662S: Extracellular matrix, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Heljasvaara, Ritva-Leena

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

5 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

MSc yr1-2 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to:

- Describe the structure and key components of the mammalian ECM
- Describe the main significance of the ECM for cell and tissue function
- Outline the roles of ECM in inherited connective tissue disorders and in common other diseases
- Identify connective tissue and some of its components in tissue samples using various staining protocols (laboratory work).
- Summarize background knowledge of ECM sufficiently to feel comfortable in undertaking a postgraduate research project in the ECM field

Contents:

Besides including basic background knowledge on the ECM, the course will highlight the ECM-related topics that are currently being investigated at the Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine. Orientation to mouse and cell models of ECM molecules will form a crucial part in teaching.

Contents of lectures in 2016: Collagens and collagen-related hereditary diseases; Proteoglycans and glycoproteins; Basement membranes; Pericellular matrix of the vasculature; Integrins and other ECM receptors; Matricellular proteins; Elastic fibres; ECM plasticity and remodeling; ECM degrading enzymes; Stem cell microenvironments; ECM in fibrosis and cancer. The course has limited enrollment for 28 students.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

23 h lectures, 6 h seminars, and 36 h laboratory work. Seminars and laboratory work are compulsory

Target group:

MSc / Molecular and cellular biology

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Extracellular Matrix Biology Eds. Richard O. Hynes and Kenneth M. Yamada, 2011. Cold Spring Harbor Perspectives in Biology

http://cshperspectives.cshlp.org/site/misc/extracellular_matrix_biology.xhtml

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment, final exam

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Ritva Heljasvaara

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

Location of instruction: Kontinkangas

740149P: Metabolism I, 4 op

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Tuomo Glumoff

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay740158P Basic biochemistry 3: Metabolis (OPEN UNI) 4.0 op

ay740154P Basic biochemistry 3: Metabolis (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

740146P Metabolism I 6.0 op

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

spring

Learning outcomes:

Students will be able to explain the main principles of how the metabolism is made up, will get a detailed picture of the energy metabolism, and will be able to organize part of the wholeness of metabolism, particularly how energy metabolism is networked to the synthesis and degradation of biomolecules.

Contents:

On this course the central concepts and mechanisms of metabolism, its regulation and the integration of metabolic pathways will be introduced, like anabolism and catabolism, linking of different pathways, and metabolic regulation. Especially the energy metabolism will be studied, concerning carbohydrates, lipids and the respiratory chain. Combined with the course Metabolism II the students will get a good overview on the principles of metabolism, metabolic integration and the methods to study metabolism.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures (28 h), problem-based exercises (workshops) 6 h and final exam.

Target group:

Minor subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Biomolecules for Biochemists or Biomolecules for Bioscientists or Biomolecules

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

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Assessment methods and criteria:

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail. Problem-based exercises and a final exam will count towards the final grade.

Person responsible:

Tuomo Glumoff

Working life cooperation:

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Other information:

This module is the same as Metabolism I (740146P), except that it contains no laboratory component.

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa

740374A: Microbiology, 3 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Pospiech, Helmut

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

740363A Microbiology 6.0 op

740322A Microbiology 3.0 op

ECTS Credits:

3 credits

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

spring

Learning outcomes:

Learning outcomes: Upon successful completion students are able to:

- define the typical features of bacteria, archaea, fungi and virus and explain the diversity of different groups of microorganisms
- explain the basic aspects of microbial metabolism
- understand the basics of microbial growth, enrichment, culture and growth control both in the environment and in contained culture
- explain the essential roles of microorganisms in our environment
- apply their knowledge for the growth and its control of standard laboratory microorganisms
- have a basic understanding of the industrial use of microorganisms or microbial compounds.

Contents:

This module is an introduction to general and applied microbiology and consists of lecture and laboratory exercises. In the lectures, the diversity and classification of micro organisms, especially bacteria will be introduced. Further topics are the structure and function of the prokaryotic cell, bacterial growth, metabolism and physiology, the importance of bacteria in different ecosystems as well as the industrial use of bacteria.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

24 h lectures

Target group:

Minor subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

M. Salkinoja-Salonen (toim.) (2002) Mikrobiologian perusteita, Helsingin yliopisto; M.T. Madigan, J. M. Martinko, J. Parker (2010) Brock biology of microorganisms, 13th ed. Prentice Hall International.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Continuous assessment (home works), final exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail

Person responsible:

Helmut Pospiech

Working life cooperation:

No

Other information:

This module is the same as Microbiology (740363A) except that it contains no practical component. Location of instruction: Linnanmaa campus

740373A: Molecular Biology I, 4 op**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Mirva Saaranen**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

740361A Molecular Biology I 8.0 op

740318A Molecular Biology 4.0 op

ECTS Credits:

4 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

autumn

Learning outcomes:

After this course students should understand modern molecular biology methods.

Contents:

The course covers gene structure, DNA replication, recombination, transcription and translation. The student will learn the most common recombinant DNA techniques, such as PCR, use of restriction endonucleases, preparation of recombinant plasmids and DNA sequencing.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

20 h lectures, 4 h computer exercise and homeworks

Target group:

Minor subject students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

-

Recommended optional programme components:

-

Recommended or required reading:

Mathews, CK, van Holde KT, Applins DR, Anthony-Cahill SJ: Biochemistry (4th edition). Optional.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Homeworks 50%, final exam 50%

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

1-5/fail.

Person responsible:

Mirva Saaranen and Aki Manninen

Working life cooperation:

no

Other information:

This course is the same as Molecular biology I (740361A) but without practical part.

Location of instruction: Linnanmaa**740078Y: Working life course, 6 op**

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2015 -

Opiskelumuoto: General Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Anne Mäkelä

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:

6 credits

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

B.Sc. yr1-3 spring

Learning outcomes:

Upon successful completion students are able to

- describe transferable working life skills, independent of the working environment
- recognize and describe their own skills
- assess themselves as an expert, as an applicant and as an employee
- recognize those working life skills which may need improvement
- compose their "skill profile"

Contents:

Workshops will address the generic working life skills which are needed in every working environment. Communication, social interaction, group work, organizing, time management, giving and receiving feedback are among the topics studied. The skills and experiences the students have obtained already, will be recognized and considered in terms of how to best present them when applying for a job for instance. The summer job, which needs to last at least 1 month, can be of any branch. During the summer job, the students will have assignments concerning working life related issues, e.g. safety, working environment or interactions between people at the working place. By the end of the course the students will write a report to describe their experiences reflecting the development of their working life skills. Reports will be evaluated by the teacher and also by a fellow student. Thus also giving constructive feedback to a fellow student will be practiced.

Mode of delivery:

Face to face teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Three workshops (3 x 3h) are organized before the summer job. A small part of the teaching in workshops is lecturing, mostly learning takes place via group work, discussions and assignments. No separate report of the workshops is required. The summer job (min. 1 month) is accompanied with assignments and a final report. Evaluation of a report from a fellow student is included.

Target group:

B.Sc. students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Summer job for at least 1 month. The field of work is not specified.

Recommended optional programme components:

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Recommended or required reading:

Info on recommended reading will be given in workshops.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Participation in the workshops, summer job, assignments, report, evaluation.

Grading:

Pass/Fail

Person responsible:

Anne Mäkelä

Working life cooperation:

Yes

Other information:

Location of workshops (Kontinkangas/Linnanmaa campus) will be announced separately.