

BIOL 1100**Biology Freshman Seminar****Fall 2020**

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Pre- and/or Co- Requisites:

BIOL 1100 is required as a co-requisite for all incoming freshmen biology majors before or during enrollment in BIOL 1107.

Course Learning Outcomes:

Students will learn the following:

- 1) Biology major requirements, general advising, strategies for success, and related career paths from biological research to professional programs. These topics will be covered as indicated on the schedule;
- 2) The basics of the scientific method and scientific writing.

These learning outcomes correspond to the biology educational outcome #1 and the VSU General Educational Outcomes 3, 5, 7 and 8.

Required Course Materials: None

Assessments:**Your Score****Course Grade**

Attendance	(max) 49 %	_____	90	100 % = A
Study Habit Guide	6 %	_____	80	89.9 % = B
Scientific Writing	10 %	_____	70	79.9 % = C
Career Plan	10 %	_____	60	69.9 % = D
Career Slide	± 10 %	_____		

Attendance:

Attendance in this course is absolutely required. Each student is responsible for all material missed regardless of the reason for absences. Students earn 3.5 % points for each class attended up to a maximum of 49 %.

Students must arrive within the first ten minutes of each class to be given credit for that day.

Extra Credit:

Week	Topic	Thursday
1	Introduction	8/20
2	ePortfolio	8/27
3 **	Academic Support Center/ Study Habit Guide Online Collaborate Session	9/3
4	Scientific Writing/Plagiarism	9/10
5 **	Library – Online Collaborate Session	9/17
6	Scientific Writing Examples	9/24
7	Careers in Biology Presentations	10/1
8	Careers in Biology Presentations	10/8
9	Careers in Biology Presentations	10/15
10	Career Plans	10/22
11	BA/BS Degrees in Biology	10/29
12	eCore	11/5
13	ePortfolio Presentations	11/12
14	Biology Clubs, Study Abroad	11/19
15	Final Discussion	TBA

** These classes are online