Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics (BCM\textsuperscript{G})

Courses

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 411. Introduction to Biological Chemistry. 4 hours.
Includes chemistry of cellular constituents; enzymology; metabolism of sugars, proteins, lipids, and nucleic acids; and regulation of metabolism. Course Information: Prerequisite(s): Organic chemistry. Lecture course designed primarily for students in the College of Dentistry. Class Schedule Information: To be properly registered, students must enroll in one Conference and one Lecture.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 501. Faculty Research Seminars. 1 hour.
Faculty presentation of research areas within molecular genetics. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. Should be taken in the first year in the Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics program. Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing in the Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics program or consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 502. Somatic Cell and Human Genetics. 4 hours.
The genetics of somatic cells and advanced human genetics. Gene transfer, mutagenesis, drosophila genetics, genetic linkage and human disease, cancer genetics, and gene therapy. Course Information: Prerequisite(s): GCLS 501 or consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 503. Research Methods in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics. 5 hours.
Laboratory course in experimental methods in biochemistry and molecular genetics. Course Information: May be repeated to a maximum of 10 hours. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor. Open only to students entering as Ph.D. students in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 512. Experimental Design and Analysis in Molecular Genetics. 4 hours.
Methods and logic in the analysis of gene function, gene cloning, analysis of genetic changes, studies of gene expression, design of experimental controls. Course Information: Prerequisite(s): GCLS 501 or consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 513. Principles of Structure Determination and Analysis. 3 hours.
Explores the relationship between structural stability, kinetic properties and function of biopolymers, with particular emphasis on proteins and nucleic acids. Course Information: Same as MIM 513, and PMPG 513. Prerequisite(s): GCLS 501 and one year of physical chemistry, or consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 514. Structure and Function of Nucleic Acids. 4 hours.
Describes the structure and function of nucleic acids. Unravels the basic molecular mechanisms underlying heredity, including replication, transcription and recombination. Course Information: Prerequisite(s): GCLS 501 or consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 515. Journal Club. 1 hour.
Student presentation and critical analysis of recent journal articles and current topics in biochemistry and molecular genetics. Course Information: May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 522. Strategies for Effective Scientific Communication. 1 hour.
Development of critical skills for evaluation, development, and execution of forms of scientific communication, including research and grant proposals, manuscripts describing original research, and review summaries. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 526. Molecular and Genetic Analysis of Development. 3 hours.
Examines developmental mechanisms used in animal model systems. Course Information: Same as BIOS 526. Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing or consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 531. Medical Biochemistry and Nutrition. 3 hours.
Chemistry of Biopolymers; enzymology; metabolism of carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids and proteins; molecular biology. Course Information: Intended for first year medical students. Prerequisite(s): Membership in the College of Medicine (COM) M1 medical school class. Intended/available only for first year medical students registered in the COM.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 533. Nutrition for Medical Students. 2 hours.
Biochemical and nutritional basis of disease including heart disease, hypertension, obesity, malnutrition, and cancer. Course Information: Prerequisite(s): BCM\textsuperscript{G} 531 and BCM\textsuperscript{G} 532 and membership in the medical school or consent of the instructor. Intended primarily for medical students.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 561. Biochemistry of Cellular Regulation. 3 hours.
Membrane structure and function, transport, receptor and signal transduction mechanisms and growth factors. Cytoskeleton and motility, cell-cell communication, enzyme cascades and cellular control mechanisms.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 563. Principles of Molecular Medicine. 3 hours.
A lecture/discussion/writing course which integrates biochemical and molecular biological concepts into a clinical context. Diseases will be described in terms of molecular mechanisms. Course Information: Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 575. Topics in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics. 3 hours.
Students will be exposed to, present, and discuss recent scientific literature in biochemistry and molecular genetics. Course Information: May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): Completion of the first year of the program and consent of the instructor. Class Schedule Information: To be properly registered, students must enroll in one Discussion and one Lecture.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 594. Special Topics in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics. 1-3 hours.
Topics of current interest in the field of biochemistry and molecular genetics, and may include protein structure, membrane proteins and trafficking, development and gene regulation, signal transduction, and cancer biology. Course Information: May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours. Students may register in more than one section per term. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

BCM\textsuperscript{G} 595. Student Research Seminars. 1 hour.
Research presentations by graduate students in the biochemistry and molecular genetics program. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.


**BCMG 598. Masters Thesis Research. 0-16 hours.**
Investigation carried out by M.S. candidate under the direction of a faculty member leading to the M.S. in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

**BCMG 599. Ph.D. Thesis Research. 0-16 hours.**
Independent dissertation research by the student, under the guidance of the adviser. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated. Prerequisite(s): Advanced standing in the Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics program.