Syllabus Fall 2019

BINF 701-001/BIOS 701-001 - Systems Biology

George Mason University, Bioinformatic and computational biology

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Locations/times: Lecture: Tuesday 4:30PM - 7:10PM, SciTech (PW): Colgan Hall 304B

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Prerequisite: Admission to the Ph.D. program in biosciences or bioinformatics, CHEM 663 or

equivalent.

Objective of the course: Introduction to systems biology with an emphasis on approaches currently employed and the types of scientific questions studied.

TEXTBOOK: A first course in system biology (2nd Edition) by Eberhard O. Voit.

Grading Policy: The course grade will be determined as follows:

Activities: Percent of Final Grade:

Mid-Term Project - 30%

Final Exam - 40%

Final Project - 30%

Grades are assigned on the following basis:

90 to 100%: A:

80 to 89.99%: B;

70 to 79.99%: C;

60 to 69.99%: D;

Less than 60%: F.

Students are expected to attend lecture and participate in class. Students are expected to take initiative and read references referred in lecture.

Academic Honesty Policy:

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. This includes cheating, plagiarism, and falsification of academic records. That being said, you can help each other out on the homework (this does not mean that you can copy each other's homework).

Tentative Course Schedule:

Tuesday, August 27 - Introduction to Systems Biology, Chapter 1

Tuesday, September 3 - Chapter 2

Tuesday, September 10 - Chapter 3

Tuesday, September 17 - Chapter 4

Tuesday, September 24- Chapter 5

Tuesday, October 1 – Midterm Project

Tuesday, October 8 - Chapter 7

Tuesday, October 15 - No class due to Fall Break

Tuesday, October 22 - Chapter 8

Tuesday, October 29 – Chapter 9

Tuesday, November 5 - Calcium Signaling

Tuesday, November 12 - Physiological Modeling: The heart as an example

Tuesday, November 19 - Chapter 10

Tuesday, November 26 – Final Project

Tuesday, December 2nd --Final Projects

Tuesday, December 18 - Final Exam 4:30-7:10

Changes if needed will be announced in the class.