

BIOL 450/540 Syllabus Spring 2014

Microbiology Research (a.k.a. MegaMicro) Biology 450/550 Syllabus Spring Semester, 2014; 1 credit

Instructor	Dr. Kathryn A. Hanley Foster Room 479 Phone: 646 4583 email: khanley@nmsu.edu
Class Meetings	Tuesdays 6:00-8:00 Foster 146 <u>only on the following days:</u> January 28 February 25 March 18 April 15
Office Hours	Mondays 10:30-11:30; Tuesdays 1:00-2:00; or by appointment
Webpage	The course web page is available in Canvas. To email me, please use khanley@nmsu.edu rather than the Canvas email function
Overview	This course creates an opportunity for students and faculty with an interest in microbiology to give oral presentations on their research and to receive constructive criticism on those presentations, as well as to give feedback and ask questions about their classmates' presentations.
Prerequisites	There are no prerequisites for this class.
Evaluation	Final grades will be assigned based on scores in these activities:

	BIOL550	BIOL450
Class participation*	100%	100%

* Note that class participation can involve giving a presentation but must involve giving written critique of other people's presentations. All students enrolled in BIOL550 are additionally required to ask a question of at least one speaker during question and answer period following a talk. Attendance of all enrolled students is expected at all meetings of the class, except in cases of university business or extreme emergencies. Both university business and extreme emergencies must be documented.

Maximum cutoffs of total scores for the following letter grades are as follows: 90% (A), 80% (B), 70% (C), 60% (D), < 60% (F)

Honor	Academic honor is absolutely required in this research-intensive course. See the NMSU student code of conduct at http://deanofstudents.nmsu.edu/student-handbook/1-student-code-of-conduct/index.html . I expect each student to submit his/her own original work during oral presentations. Plagiarism (both intentional and unintentional), and other academic misconduct will not be tolerated. Intentional or unintentional plagiarism will result automatically in failure on that assignment and, depending on the extent of the
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plagiarism and at the discretion of the instructor, may result in failure of the class. If a student is unsure whether he or she is being academically dishonest, then he or she should ask one of me for clarification (in person or via email) prior to completing the exercise. Plagiarism is using another person's work without acknowledgment, making it appear to be one's own. PRIOR TO THE SECOND MEETING OF THE CLASS, every student is required to read in its entirety the definition of plagiarism presented at the NMSU Library website: <http://lib.nmsu.edu/plagiarism/>.

Syllabus

I reserve the right to modify the syllabus to accommodate individual or university exigencies.

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Trudy Luken, Director

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Phone: (575) 646-3635

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Speaker schedule:

January 28, 2014: Katie Young (Hanley lab), Jinjin Jiang (Xu lab)

February 25: Erik Yukl (Yukl lab), Kelsey McBeian (Nish lab)

March 18: Christy Andrade (Hanley lab); Inoka Menikpurage (Lusetti lab)

April 15: Megan Mclean (Dawe lab); Patricia Lodato (Lodato lab)