

Learning Objectives: Using active and self-directed learning techniques, empower students to learn and apply principles of companion animal biology over a lifetime.

Learning Coach: Coach Rod (always address your emails to “Coach Rod”)
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Seeking Coach's help: 1) See Rod during class or study sessions or email him
TAs: Several talented undergraduates will help us learn.

Course Topics: Anatomy & Physiology, Genetics, Reproduction and Lactation, Nutrition, Immunity & Health, Thermoregulation, and Behavior. Focus animals are dogs, cats and horses. Some limited time will also be devoted to birds, reptiles, amphibians, and rodents.

Course Website: www.rodallrich.com Contains links to reading material/videos (no textbook required)
Redundant websites: rodallrich2.com and rodallrich.bravehost.com

Class Meeting Times/Place: MW @ 2:35-3:20 pm in Jischke Hall of Biomedical Eng. 1001 (Fridays-view videos (on your own time) created by Coach Rod; therefore, we will meet in cyberspace on Fridays). **Covid-19 may result in more online time and less in-class time. Emails will be sent to indicate status.**

Exams: Eight during semester (100 pts. each). At the end of the semester, the lowest exam score will be dropped and the highest exam score will be doubled. The take-home exams will be uploaded into Brightspace (BS) by students and will first be examined by Turnitin (turnitin.com). Then Coach Rod will evaluate the exam and assign points earned. BS will display points earned. **Exams with Similarity Scores (assigned by Turnitin) that are 20% or higher, will be ruled inadmissible and not evaluated by Rod. Students may submit multiple exam versions in an effort to lower Similarity Scores (before set deadline).**

Final Exam: **There will be no final exam (we already had 8 exams!)**

Exam Makeups: Makeups possible only for special reasons such as serious illness, funerals, etc. Makeups must be arranged **prior to the time** of the to-be-missed exam. Exam makeups may be oral or written or some combination of written & oral.

Course Grade Determination: There are 800 total points possible for the semester.

A plus (4.0) 97.0-100.0 %	A (4.0) 93.0-96.9 %	A minus (3.7) 90.0-92.9 %	
B plus (3.3) 87.0-89.9 %	B (3.0) 83.0-86.9 %	B minus (2.7) 80.0-82.9 %	
C plus (2.3) 77.0-79.9 %	C (2.0) 73.0-76.9 %	C minus (1.7) 70.0-72.9 %	
D plus (1.3) 67.0-69.9 %	D (1.0) 63.0-66.9 %	D minus (0.7) 60.0-62.9 %	F (0.0) < 60.0 %

Dead Week Policy: No class meetings scheduled. Instruction time (150 minutes) from this week will be conducted earlier in the semester via required YouTube instructional videos.

Bad Weather Policy: Rod will send emails out if/when weather is hazardous and may affect class meetings.