

 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	NEW COURSE PROPOSAL Graduate Programs		UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ SCNS Submittal _____
	Department Biomedical Science College Medicine <i>(To obtain a course number, contact erudolph@fau.edu)</i>		Confirmed _____ Banner Posted _____ Catalog _____
Prefix PCB Number 6092	<i>(L = Lab Course; C = Combined Lecture/Lab; add if appropriate)</i> Lab Code	Type of Course Lecture	Course Title Biomedical Writing
Credits <i>(Review Provost Memorandum)</i> 3	Grading <i>(Select One Option)</i> Regular <input checked="" type="radio"/> Sat/UnSat <input type="radio"/>	Course Description <i>(Syllabus must be attached; see Guidelines)</i> Unique College of Medicine writing course. Biomedical Science is a broad field comprising many applied sciences geared toward the development of new approaches in healthcare or public health. This course is designed for graduate students headed toward a broad array of post-graduate vocational opportunities to enhance their writing, professional and organizational skills in order to excel in areas ranging from professional education, health care and scientific fields through business. Students will be instructed in basic writing skills, argument formation, debate and presentation.	
Effective Date <i>(TERM & YEAR)</i> Spring 2019	Prerequisites NONE		Corequisites NONE
		Registration Controls <i>(Major, College, Level)</i> Instructor Permission Required	
Prerequisites, Corequisites and Registration Controls are enforced for all sections of course			
Minimum qualifications needed to teach course: Member of the FAU graduate faculty and has a terminal degree in the subject area (or a closely related field.)		List textbook information in syllabus or here	
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Dr. Ewa Wojcikiewicz 561-297-2678; ewojciki@health.fau.edu		List/Attach comments from departments affected by new course Biology Dept. Comments Attached	

Approved by Department Chair <u>Janet Bobrow</u> College Curriculum Chair <u>Janet Bobrow</u> College Dean <u>[Signature]</u> UGPC Chair _____ UGC Chair _____ Graduate College Dean _____ UFS President _____ Provost _____	Date <u>5/7/18</u> <u>5/9/18</u> 8/10/18
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Email this form and syllabus to UGPC@fau.edu one week before the UGPC meeting.

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Syllabus: Spring 2018

1. Course Title: Biomedical Writing

Course Number: PCB 6933 **Credits:** 3

2. Prerequisites: Instructor permission required. Graduate students only.

3. Meeting information: Bldg. 71, Rm. 130, TH 9:30-10:50 am

4. Instructor Information: Dr. Ewa Wojcikiewicz

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The course director is available during posted office hours barring unforeseen circumstances. Appointments can be made to meet at other times.

5. Course Description

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6. Course Objectives

The objective of the course is for students to enhance their ability to write in the biomedical sciences.

7. Course Evaluation: Weekly written assignments will constitute 50% of the grade, your oral presentation, 20%, and the final paper, 30% of the grade.

8. Grade Criteria

93-100 = A

90-92 = A-

87-89 = B+

83-86 = B

80-82 = B-

77-79 = C+

73-76 = C

70-72 = C-

67-69 = D+

63-66 = D

60-62 = D-

0 – 59 = F

9. Course Policies:

Please refer to the FAU Catalog for policies regarding absences and incomplete grades.

10. Classroom Etiquette:

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Electronic Devices: As a courtesy to the presenter, please turn off all electronic devices. Please refer to the FAU Catalog and Student Handbook. Compliance with university rules and regulations is expected of all students.

- 11. Disability Policy:** In compliance with the American Disabilities Act (ADA), students who require special accommodations due to a disability to properly execute coursework must register with the Student Accessibility Services (SAS) – in Boca Raton, SU 133 (561-297-3880); in Davie, MOD 1 (954-236-1222); in Jupiter, SR 117 (561-799-8585); or at the Treasure Coast, CO 128 (772-873-3305) – and follow all SAS procedures.
- 12. Academic Honor Code:** Students at Florida Atlantic University are expected to maintain the highest ethical standards. Academic dishonesty is considered a serious breach of these ethical standards because it interferes with the University mission to provide a high quality education in which no student enjoys an unfair advantage over any other. Academic dishonesty is also destructive of the University community, which is grounded in a system of mutual trust and places high value on personal integrity and individual responsibility.

Definitions. The FAU Code of Academic Integrity prohibits dishonesty and requires a faculty member, student, or staff member to notify an instructor when there is reason to believe dishonesty has occurred in a course/program requirement. The instructor must pursue any reasonable allegation, taking action where appropriate. Examples of academic dishonesty include, but are not limited to, the following:

(A) Cheating

1. The unauthorized use of notes, books, electronic devices, or other study aids while taking an examination or working on an assignment. 2. Providing unauthorized assistance to or receiving assistance from another student during an examination or while working on an assignment. 3. Having someone take an exam or complete an assignment in one's place. 4. Securing an exam, receiving an unauthorized copy of an exam, or sharing a copy of an exam.

(B) Plagiarism

1. The presentation of words from any other source or another person as one's own without proper quotation and citation. 2. Putting someone else's ideas or facts into your own words (paraphrasing) without proper citation. 3. Turning in someone else's work as one's own, including the buying and selling of term papers or assignments.

For full details of the FAU Honor Code, see University Regulation 4.001 at

https://www.fau.edu/ctl/4.001_Code_of_Academic_Integrity.pdf

- 13. Supplemental Materials:** Supplemental materials will be assigned in class. These will include scientific papers and other writing samples in addition to peer manuscript drafts.
- 14. Course Outline**
Course content will follow the textbook: "The Craft of Scientific Writing" by Michael Alley. Each week students will have to complete written in-class and homework

assignments based on biomedical writing skills covered that week. In-class and some homework assignments will be reviewed in a group setting and discussed in class.

The course schedule will be as follows:

Date	Topic to be Covered
Tue, Jan 9	Introduction to Biomedical writing
Thu, Jan 11	Document structure
Tue, Jan 16	Document structure
Thu, Jan 18	Document structure
Tue, Jan 23	Document structure
Thu, Jan 25	Document structure
Tue, Jan 30	Document structure
Thu, Feb 1	Developing a specific research question
Tue, Feb 6	Review of student research questions
Thu, Feb 8	Document structure: transition, depth and emphasis
Tue, Feb 13	Precision and Clarity of Language
Thu, Feb 15	Tone and unfamiliar terminology
Tue, Feb 20	Language: being concise, rhythm and fluidity
Thu, Feb 22	Illustrations
Tue, Feb 27	Illustrations
Thu, Mar 1	Preparing presentations
Tue, Mar 6	Spring Break
Thu, Mar 8	Spring Break
Tue, Mar 13	Writing correspondence
Thu, Mar 15	Writing instructions
Tue, Mar 20	Writing proposals
Thu, Mar 22	Writing proposals
Tue, Mar 27	Student presentations
Thu, Mar 29	Student presentations
Tue, Apr 3	Student presentation
Thu, Apr 5	Student presentations
Tue, Apr 10	Student presentations
Thu, Apr 12	Student presentations
Tue, Apr 17	Student presentations
Thu, Apr 19	Student presentations

Final paper due Mon, Apr. 23, 2017 at 9:00 am.

From: [Tanja Godenschwege](#)
To: [Bridget Statler](#); [Sarah Milton](#); [Michelle Cavallo](#)
Subject: Re: Graduate Program New Course Proposal form to add Biomedical Writing course in the Master of Science of Biomedical Science Degree Program
Date: Tuesday, October 04, 2016 8:41:24 PM
Attachments: [ATT00001.png](#)

Hi Bridget, Sarah, and Michelle,

The syllabus looks distinct enough from my course, so I don't consider it a conflict with my Scientific Communication course.

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On 10/4/2016 1:55 PM, Bridget Statler wrote:

Dear Dr. Godenschwege,

Please find attached the Graduate Program New Course Proposal form to add course Biomedical Writing course in the Master of Science of Biomedical Science Degree Program.

Under the "Consult and list departments that might be affected by the change and attach comments" box, we are including the Biology Department.

Kindly send a letter of support or an email with your comments by **October 12th, 2016**.

Thank you very much for your time and attention.

Regards,

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