

## BIOL 5320: Endocrinology (CRN 27002)

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**Time/date:** 1:30 - 2:50 TR

**Location:** Classroom Building C202

**Office Hours:** W 10:00 – 12:00 Bio Sci Res Building 4.128 or by appointment

**If you want to have a supporting text to read:**– *General and Comparative Endocrinology: An Integrative Approach*: A.M. Schreiber ISBN: 9781003359241. This book is available through the bookstore. You may also want to compare the online options at

[https://www.vitalsource.com/products/general-and-comparative-endocrinology-a-m-schreiber-v9781000913095?duration=180&utm\\_source=bing&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_campaign=VST%20Tier%20Two%20ShoppingGoogle-US&mclid=e2b9a2d2cd321f905623c5a6d3d80d90](https://www.vitalsource.com/products/general-and-comparative-endocrinology-a-m-schreiber-v9781000913095?duration=180&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=VST%20Tier%20Two%20ShoppingGoogle-US&mclid=e2b9a2d2cd321f905623c5a6d3d80d90)

**Course format:** This course will consist of a combination of readings, discussion, lecture, and presentation. A PDF of lecture notes will be provided on Blackboard prior to each lecture. Login using your **UTEPnet ID and password**).

**Blackboard and Computer Access:** This course depends on your ability to access and use Blackboard. Articles will be made available on Blackboard, and written assignments will be uploaded to Blackboard.

**PREREQUISITES:** Graduate status or permission of the instructor.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course will provide a general overview of the endocrine system and use specific hormones to provide a detailed understanding of how hormones function, are regulated, and contribute to pathophysiology.

### **Grading**

Your grade will be determined, equally weighted, based upon participation, submission of complete written assignments, discussion, and a presentation.

1. Participation – is based upon activity involvement in the class, including discussions. In terms of attendance, if you do not attend, then you are not participating
2. Written Assignments – Must be original and not AI-generated. If determined to be AI-generated, the assignment will receive a zero.
  - a. You will be assigned articles to and then upload a written overview of the articles to Blackboard. Written assignments must be original.
  - b. In class discussion of articles
3. Thought questions – available
3. Presentations:
  - a. Each student will present one article to the class. The article to be presented will be approved by the instructor. Presentations will take place toward the end of the semester.

**DROP POLICY:** To receive a W, you must drop the course by the official drop date of **April 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

## GRADING POLICY:

### Grade

A = 90 -100%      B = 80 – 89.9%      C = 70 – 79.9%      D = 60 – 69.9%  
F = 59.9% and below

**Academic integrity:** Students are expected to be aware of and abide by the UTEP Handbook of Operating Procedures - Student Conduct and Discipline. Information on this policy can be found at <https://www.utep.edu/hoop/section-2/student-conduct-and-discipline.html> (see 1.2.3 Prohibited Conduct).

**\*Special accommodations:** If you need classroom accommodations, please contact The Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148, or by email to [cass@utep.edu](mailto:cass@utep.edu). The campus office is located in UTEP Union East, Room 106. For additional information, please visit the CASS website at [www.sa.utep.edu/cass](http://www.sa.utep.edu/cass)

\*Note, it is your responsibility if you need accommodation to reach out to CASS and also **directly discuss the situation with the instructor once CASS has provided an accommodation recommendation. Failure to do so means you do not have an operational accommodation.**

Life can be challenging. If you have any additional concerns, please be aware that the University and I are here to help. The University offers a number of services accessible through student services.

### **Important Dates**

First Day of Class	January 20 <sup>th</sup>
Last Day to Drop with a W	April 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Spring Break	March 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>