

COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE: BIOL-151: Human Physiology
CLASS SECTION: 003A, 003B, 003C, 003D and 003E
TERM: Winter, 2025
COURSE CREDITS: 3
DELIVERY METHOD(S): Lecture and laboratory

Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Lək̓ʷəŋən and W̱SÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here.
Learn more about Camosun's [Territorial Acknowledgement](#).

INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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HOURS: Monday 1:00-2:30 Tuesday 2:00-3:30 Thursday 12:00-2:00

As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

This course is the companion to BIOL 150. It provides an overview of functional relationships within the human body. Physiological processes are studied at both the cellular and organ system level, with an emphasis on the maintenance of homeostasis. Laboratory exercises illustrate basic physiological principles.

PREREQUISITE(S):

All of:

- C in BIOL 150

And one of:

- C in Chemistry 11
- C in Camosun Alternative

CO-REQUISITE(S):

Not Applicable

EXCLUSION(S):

Not Applicable

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course a student will be able to:

1. Describe the concept of homeostasis and explain how it operates in the major physiological systems of the human body.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the functioning of the major physiological systems of the human body at the cellular and systemic levels.
3. Explain how the major physiological systems of the body interact to bring about biological behaviors.
4. Understand how physiological processes are altered in injury or disease.
5. Apply anatomical vocabulary in a physiological context.
6. Perform laboratory procedures relevant to physiology (observe physiological phenomena, measure physiological data, organize / record / analyze results of physiological experiments).
7. Utilize critical thinking to apply physiological concepts to specific problem solving situations.

REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

Text: Sherwood, Kell and Ward. 2nd. Canadian edition (2013) *Human Physiology: from cells to systems*, Nelson education ltd. Toronto

Lab Manual: Biology 151: Human Physiology Labs

COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

WEEK/DATE	LECTURE TOPIC	LAB
Jan. 6-10	Intro to Chemistry	Lab 1: Intro to Laboratory Science
Jan 13-17	Intro to Cellular physiology	Lab 2: Intro to Chemical Concepts
Jan. 20-24	Digestive Physiology	Lab 3: Digestion of Organic Molecules
Jan. 27-31	Metabolism	Lab 4: Cellular Respiration and Glucose Monitoring
Feb. 3-7	“MIDTERM 1” Neural Physiology	Lab 5: Reflexes and cranial nerve tests
Feb.10-14	Neural Physiology	Lab 6: Sensory perception
Feb 17 Feb 17-21	‘FAMILY DAY’ ‘READING BREAK’	NO LABS
Feb. 24-28	Muscle Physiology	Lab 7: Muscle Physiology
Mar 3-7	Cardiovascular Physiology	Lab 8: Cardiovascular Physiology

Mar 10-14	Hematology	Lab 9: Hematology and Immunology
Mar. 17-21	“MIDTERM 2” Immunology / Defense Systems	Lab 10: Respiratory Physiology
Mar 24-28	Respiratory Physiology	Lab 11: Urinalysis
Mar. 31 - Apr. 4	Renal Physiology	Final oral assignments
Apr.7-11	Renal Physiology & Reproductive Physiology	Lab exam
Apr 14-25	“FINAL EXAM PERIOD” (exam scheduled by registrar)	

Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced notice is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the [CAL exams page](http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html). <http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html>

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTING
Assignments X 3	15%
Laboratory reports	15%
Laboratory exam	15%
Lecture midterms X 2	30%
Lecture final exam	25%
TOTAL	100%

If you have a concern about a grade you have received for an evaluation, please come and see me as soon as possible. Refer to the [Grade Review and Appeals](#) policy for more information.

<http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf>

COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

- Students are expected to attend classes, hand in assignments on time, do their own work meaning no plagiarism and no “AI” generated content.

SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

- If you miss attending a **total of four (4) or more labs for any reason** (including, but not limited to: life circumstances, legitimate illness or family/pet emergency, planned vacations, milestone family events, work commitments, childcare or eldercare commitments, competitive athletic events), you will be unable to meet the learning outcomes for the class and will receive a **failing grade (F) in the entire course**, regardless of marks received on graded lab and lecture components. Exceptions will only be considered through an academic concession granted by the instructor or Dean/associate Dean

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit camosun.ca/services.

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/academic-advising
Accessible Learning	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/accessible-learning
Counselling	camosun.ca/services/health-and-wellness/counselling-centre
Career Services	camosun.ca/services/co-operative-education-and-career-services
Financial Aid and Awards	camosun.ca/registration-records/financial-aid-awards
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres
Indigenous Student Support	camosun.ca/programs-courses/iecc/indigenous-student-services
International Student Support	camosun.ca/international
Learning Skills	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills
Library	camosun.ca/services/library
Office of Student Support	camosun.ca/services/office-student-support
Ombudsperson	camosun.ca/services/ombudsperson
Registration	camosun.ca/registration-records/registration
Technology Support	camosun.ca/services/its
Writing Centre	camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS

Academic Integrity

Students are expected to comply with all College policy regarding academic integrity; which is about honest and ethical behaviour in your education journey. The following guide is designed to help you understand your responsibilities: <https://camosun.libguides.com/academicintegrity/welcome>
Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.13.pdf> for Camosun's Academic Integrity policy and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Camosun College is committed to achieving full accessibility for persons with disabilities. Part of this commitment includes arranging appropriate academic accommodations for students with disabilities to ensure they have an equitable opportunity to participate in all of their academic activities. If you are a student with a documented disability and think you may need accommodations, you are strongly encouraged to contact the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) and register as early as possible. Please visit the CAL website for more information about the process of registering with CAL, including important deadlines: <https://camosun.ca/cal>

Academic Progress

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2023-02/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <https://camosun.ca/registration-records/tuition-fees#deadlines>.

Grading Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal (see [Medical/Compassionate Withdrawals policy](#)). Please visit <https://camosun.ca/services/forms#medical> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

Sexual Violence

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun's Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student's right to choose what is right for them. For more information

see Camosun's Sexualized Violence Policy: <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.9.pdf> and camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence-support-and-education.

To contact the Office of Student Support: oss@camosun.ca or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-370-3841

Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College's Student Misconduct Policy at <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College's expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

Looking for other policies?

The full suite of College policies and directives can be found here:
<https://camosun.ca/about/camosun-college-policies-and-directives>

Changes to this Syllabus: Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will give the students clear and timely notice of the change

