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**Office Hours:** For questions outside of class, office hours are available in person or through Zoom (link on eLC) from 9:30am to 10:45am and from 12:45pm to 2:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Ryan O'Donnell	<b>Undergraduate Assistants:</b> Sara Hill		Sanaejah Reid	
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Shamir Ahmed	Arya Datta	Shelby Markeles	Eugenie Rodrigue	
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**Enrollment:** Participation in this course requires enrollment in the corequisite lab (BIOL 1107L), unless the lab has been completed. Although lecture and lab are linked in Athena, these two courses are independent. For enrollment questions, contact the biology advising office at (706) 583–0496.

Course Materials: There is no textbook for this course, but instructional materials will be posted on eLC during the semester. If you are unable to access the website, contact the help desk at (706) 542–3106. We will use the Top Hat response system during class, and you will need a device that connects to the Internet for participation. Licenses are \$22 per semester for UGA students, and you should receive an invitation with the join code for Top Hat by email during the first week of class.

**Evaluation:** Learning and course engagement will be evaluated by the assessments shown below.

Homework	Assigned	10%
Class Activities	Assigned	20%
First Unit Exam	10% x 1	10%
Unit Exams 2–5	15% x 4	60%

There are no dropped exams in this course, full credit will be given for participating in at least 90% of the class activities, and one homework can be extended for 24 hours from the original deadline.

**Grades:** You will receive a letter grade at the end of the semester according to the following scale, although thresholds for some or all letter grades can be decreased at the discretion of the facilitator.

A	93–100%	В–	80-82.9%
A-	90-92.9%	C+	77–79.9%
B+	87-89.9%	C	70–76.9%
В	83-86.9%	D	60-69.9%

**Academic Honesty:** All work must be performed without receiving unauthorized assistance from another person, plagiarism, tampering, lying, stealing, or otherwise cheating. More information on academic honesty policies and consequences of violations can be found at <a href="https://honesty.uga.edu">https://honesty.uga.edu</a>. Cheating on an exam will result in a score of zero for the exam. Smart devices such as computers, phones, and watches are banned during exams. Students who answer Top Hat questions or attempt to earn other activity points while not attending class will lose their activity points for the semester.

**Evening Exams:** Students who are unable to complete an evening exam due to significant hardship or an event that is sanctioned by UGA should contact the facilitator one week in advance to request a different time. For illnesses, obtain documentation and contact the facilitator as soon as possible.

**Disabilities:** Reasonable accommodations are available for students with documented disabilities when approved. For more information about disabilities or to apply for an accommodation, contact the Disability Resource Center at (706) 542–8719 or <a href="https://drc.uga.edu">https://drc.uga.edu</a>. Inquiries are confidential.

**Mental Wellness:** Resources are available to help you manage difficult circumstances that happen in life, such as family emergencies and overwhelming anxiety. Contact Student Care and Outreach at (706) 542–7774 or <a href="https://sco.uga.edu">https://sco.uga.edu</a>, and UGA counselors will help you navigate the situation.

**Course Changes:** This syllabus outlines the intended course structure, but changes are sometimes needed during the semester. All significant changes will be announced in class and posted on eLC.

Course Schedule		
8/19	Introduction	
8/24-9/2	Unit 1: Gene Expression	
9/7	Unit Exam (5:30pm)	
9/9–9/23	Unit 2: Cell Division	
9/28	Unit Exam (5:30pm)	
9/30–10/14	Unit 3: Reproduction	
10/19	Unit Exam (5:30pm)	
10/21-11/4	Unit 4: Trait Inheritance	
11/9	Unit Exam (5:30pm)	
11/11–12/2	Unit 5: Evolution	
12/10	Unit Exam (7:00pm)	

## Course Format and COVID-19

This course will be in person, and each class will consist of interactive lecture and a considerable amount of practice with applying information. Due to the threat of COVID–19 Delta variant, you are encouraged to wear an appropriate mask in the classroom to help reduce the spread of the virus. Attendance is critical for success in this course. If you test positive for COVID–19 or are otherwise required to quarantine, inform DawgCheck at <a href="https://dawgcheck.uga.edu">https://dawgcheck.uga.edu</a>. Students can temporarily attend class through Zoom in the case of illness or quarantine with permission from the facilitator.