

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

PROGRAM AREA BIOLOGY

- 1. Catalog Description of the Course.** *[Include the course prefix, number, full title, and units. Provide a course narrative including prerequisites and corequisites. If any of the following apply, include in the description: Repeatability (May be repeated to a maximum of ___ units); time distribution (Lecture ___ hours, laboratory ___ hours); non-traditional grading system (Graded CR/NC, ABC/NC). Follow accepted catalog format.]*

BIOL 427. DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY (4)

Three hours of lecture and three hours of laboratory per week.

Prerequisites: Chem 122; Biol 300 with a grade of C or better.

This course will use descriptive, experimental and comparative approaches in the study of animal development. Developmental stages including gametogenesis, fertilization, cleavage, gastrulation and organogenesis will be discussed in a variety of animal phyla. The molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying morphogenesis and the evolutionary conservation of developmental mechanisms in various animal phyla will be examined. A lab fee is required.

- 2. Mode of Instruction.**

	Units	Hours per Unit	Benchmark Enrollment
Lecture	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>20</u>
Seminar	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Laboratory	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>20</u>
Activity	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

- 3. Justification and Learning Objectives for the Course.** (Indicate whether required or elective, and whether it meets University Writing, and/or Language requirements) *[Use as much space as necessary]*

BIOL 427 is an elective course for Biology majors. This is an advanced course in developmental biology which will be of interest to students desiring a well-rounded education in biology as well as pre-professional students.

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- Outline and compare the developmental stages which occur in a variety of animal phyla
- Explain the mechanisms which lead to cell determination
- Describe the evolutionary conservation of developmental mechanisms
- Generate a hypothesis from a set of observations and then design experiments to test the hypothesis

- 4. Is this a General Education Course** YES NO
If Yes, indicate GE category:

A (English Language, Communication, Critical Thinking)	
B (Life Sciences)	
C (Fine Arts, Literature, Languages & Cultures)	
D (Social Perspectives)	
E (Human Psychological and Physiological Perspectives)	

- 5. Course Content in Outline Form.** *[Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]*
Gametogenesis

6. **References.** [Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.]
Kalthoff, K. (2001). *Analysis of Biological Development*, 2nd Edition. McGraw-Hill.
Gilbert, S.F. (2000). *Developmental Biology*, 6th edition. Sinauer Assoc., Inc.
Wolpert, L., Beddington, R., Brockes, J., Jessell, T., Lawrence, P., Meyerowitz, E. (1998). *Principles of Development*. Oxford University Press.
7. **List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.**
Nancy Mozingo
8. **Frequency.**
a. Projected semesters to be offered: Fall _____ Spring X Summer _____
9. **New Resources Required.**
a. Computer (data processing), audio visual, broadcasting needs, other equipment
b. Library needs
c. Facility/space needs
Biology teaching laboratory with standard laboratory equipment and supplies.
10. **Consultation.**
Attach consultation sheet from all program areas, Library, and others (if necessary)
11. If this new course will alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program, attach a program modification.