

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

PROGRAM: BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

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.]

CHEM 400. BIOCHEMISTRY (4)

Three hours lecture and three hours lab per week.

Prerequisite: CHEM 314 with a grade of C or better

Introduction to the physical and chemical properties of proteins and enzymes, enzymatic catalysis and inhibition, the biosynthesis of proteins and nucleic acids, and biosynthetic and metabolic pathways. Lab fee required.

2. **Mode of Instruction.**

	Units	Hours per Unit	Benchmark Enrollment
Lecture	3	1	50
Seminar			
Laboratory	1	3	18
Activity			

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]

This course is typically taken by students in the Biology and Environmental Science and Resource Management majors who are interested in obtaining the Chemistry minor and by students who are interested in admission to medical, veterinary, dental, or pharmacy schools. Instead of students following CHEM 311 and CHEM 312 with CHEM 318, biology students may elect to complete their chemistry requirements with CHEM 400. With an additional three units of Chemistry courses (including CHEM 346/ MGT 346/ BIOL 346 which is required by the Biology major), these students will be eligible to receive the Chemistry minor.

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- Outline the development of the field of biochemistry from a historical perspective and how biochemistry has impacted society
- Describe the scientific method and how it is used to approach the study of biological molecules and biochemistry pathways
- Explain the behavior of biochemical reactions using their knowledge of thermodynamics and kinetics and the geometric and electronic structures of organic and biological molecules
- Identify the biochemical pathways responsible for the synthesis and degradation of species and the regulation of the pathways.
- Describe major biochemical pathways, energy flow, and the reaction processes
- Describe the structure and properties of amino acids, proteins, enzymes, carbohydrates, nucleic acids, RNA, DNA, prostaglandins, terpenes, steroids, fatty acids, triglycerides, and phospholipids

4. **Is this a General Education Course**
If Yes, indicate GE category:

YES

NO

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

Introduction to Biochemistry
Chemical evolution

- Evolution of cells
- Architecture of cells
- Thermodynamics
- Kinetics
- Structure and properties of water
- Nucleotides and Nucleic Acids*
 - Nucleic acid structure and function
 - Sequencing of nucleic acids
- Amino Acids and Proteins*
 - Amino acid structure and properties
 - Protein purification
 - Protein sequencing
 - Protein evolution
 - Structure of proteins
 - Protein folding and stability
- Protein Function*
 - Hemoglobin and myoglobin
 - Myosin and actin
 - Antibodies
- Carbohydrates*
 - Monosaccharides and polysaccharides
 - Glycoproteins
- Lipids*
 - Classification of lipids
 - Organization of lipids
- Biological Membranes*
 - Membrane structure and assembly
 - Membrane proteins and their function
 - Transport across membranes
- Enzymatic Catalysis*
 - Properties and classification of enzymes
 - Mechanisms of enzymatic catalysis
 - Enzymes kinetics
 - Inhibition of enzymes
 - Regulation of enzymes
- Introduction to Metabolism*
 - Energy content of molecules and thermodynamics
 - Oxidation-reduction reactions and electrochemistry
- Glucose Catabolism*
 - Glycolysis
 - Pentose phosphate pathway
- Glycogen Metabolism and Gluconeogenesis*
 - Glycogen degradation and synthesis
 - Regulation of glycogen synthesis and regulation
 - Gluconeogenesis
- Citric Acid Cycle*
 - Enzymes in the Citric Acid Cycle
 - Regulation in the Citric Acid Cycle
- Electron-Transport and Oxidative Phosphorylation*
 - Electron-transport
 - Oxidative phosphorylation and regulation
- Photosynthesis*
- Lipid Metabolism*
 - Fatty acid synthesis and degradation
 - Regulation of fatty acid synthesis and degradation
 - Membrane lipid synthesis
- Amino Acid Metabolism*
 - Protein degradation
 - Synthesis and degradation of amino acids
- Nucleic Acid Structure and Function*

DNA and RNA structure
DNA replication and repair
Transcription
Translation

6. References. [Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.]

Abeles, R. H.; Frey, P. A.; Jencks, W. P. *Biochemistry*, 1992.
Gilbert, H. F. *Basic Concepts in Biochemistry- A Student's Survival Guide*, 2nd Ed., 2000
Nelson, D. L.; Cox, M. M. Lehninger, Principles of Biochemistry, 3rd Ed., 2000
Stryer, L. *Biochemistry*, 4th Ed., 1995
Voet, D.; Voet, J. G.; Pratt, C. W. *Fundamentals of Biochemistry*, 1st Ed., 2002

7. List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.

Dr. Philip Hampton
Dr. Louise Lutze-Mann

8. Frequency.

a. Projected semesters to be offered: Fall X Spring Summer

9. New Resources Required.

None.

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.

Proposer of Course

Date