BIOL 1107L: Principles of Biology Laboratory I (0-3-1) Valdosta State University, Biology Department, College of Science & Math Fall 2020: Hybrid Laboratory Syllabus

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Office Hours (BC 2084): M & W 4:00-

preparation and presentation of assigned work. You will demonstrate above average communication skills and ability to contextualize material.

C – For this grade, you must meet the minimum requirements for the course, displaying adequate performance in his/her course work, and adequately demonstrate the ability to comprehend complex ideas, while also being able to convey those ideas in a like manner. A "C" student demonstrates competence in terms of preparation and presentation of assigned work. You will demonstrate adequate communication skills and ability to contextualize materials.

 \mathbf{D} – A student receiving this grade is performing below the minimum requirements for the course. This could include failure to complete or turn in assignments on a timely basis, or failure to adequately demonstrate the ability to comprehend or convey complex ideas. A "D" indicates that your performance is below the average in terms of preparation and presentation of assigned work. You may not be demonstrating adequate communication skills or ability to contextualize materials.

 \mathbf{F} – If you receive an F, you have failed to meet the requirements of the course, including failure to complete or turn in assignments, or failure to demonstrate the ability to comprehend or convey complex ideas. An "F" student has not performed in a manner satisfactory to the standards of the class.

Coronavirus Resources for Students

VSU cares about student success both on and offline, and a variety of resources are available to help students both academically and personally during the Fall 2020 semester.

One of the best resources is VSU's Coronavirus FAQ page located at <u>https://www.valdosta.edu/health-advisory/faq.php</u>. Information is available there about a variety of topics in VSU's return-to-campus plan. A website devoted to the health and wellness of VSU students can be seen at <u>https://www.valdosta.edu/administration/finance-admin/campus-wellness/student-resources.php</u>.

You can find information, including how you can access the Brightspace Pulse app that will allow you to view BlazeVIEW on your smartphone at <u>https://www.d2l.com/products/pulse/</u>. In BlazeVIEW, all VSU students have a course with guides for how to use tools in BlazeVIEW; search for "VSU BlazeVIEW Student Tutorial 2020."

Face Coverings

As the Blazer Creed articulates, members of the VSU community are expected to live by the high standards of civility, integrity, and citizenship and embrace their responsibility as a member of the Blazer community. In recognition of this responsibility, and in response to the best available science and current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Georgia Department of Public Health, **every student must wear a face covering that covers their nose and mouth at all times while in any campus building, including in this classroom.** This requirement is intended to protect the health and safety of all VSU students, the instructor, and the entire university community. Anyone attending class without a face covering will be asked to put one on or leave. Students should also be sure they maintain a distance of at least six feet away from their fellow students and instructor and are seated in a seat that is designated to ensure that distance. (*Add other appropriate language specific to the class here.*) Students who refuse to wear face coverings appropriately or adhere to other stated requirements may face disciplinary action for Code of Conduct violations.

Frequently Asked Questions and Helpful Links

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ADA Accommodations	Access Office