# Biology 2458, Spring 2015 **Human Anatomy and Physiology II**Section 500 Online January 19 - March 13

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This course is on Blackboard, not Epic. To access Blackboard: Go to <a href="http://elearn.uta.edu">http://elearn.uta.edu</a> and log in with your NetID and password. To access course materials, click the **Course Materials** link on the left hand side menu.

Course Prerequisites: Human Anatomy and Physiology I.

**Course Description:** This is the second series of the A & P courses. This class focuses on the endocrine, cardiovascular, respiratory, immune, digestive, excretory and reproductive systems. Laboratory exercises involve both anatomical and experimental aspects of principles introduced in the lecture. This class is recommended for pre-allied health professionals.

**Student Learning Outcomes:** The goal of this class is to introduce students to remaining body systems listed above. Students learn the basic organization of each system, the major organs, their functions and how they maintain homeostasis.

**Required Materials for Lecture & Lab:** \*Note: If you have previously taken A&P I (Biology 2457) with me, you do not need to buy any additional materials; we are using the same text.

**Lecture & Lab Materials: You only need to purchase a textbook.** Fundamentals of Anatomy & Physiology by Martini, Nath and Bartholomew, 9th edition. There is NO lab book or kit to purchase. The labs are all on blackboard. I have redesigned the course so that it is completely online.

**GRADING CONVENTIONS:** In this course you will be graded on lecture quizzes, lecture exams, lab assignments, lab practicals.

There is a quiz on the syllabus that you must complete prior to starting the course: You must take a pass/fail syllabus quiz to gain access into the course. This quiz is available as soon as you have access to the course under the syllabus link on the left side menu. It is due by the end of the first week of class. This quiz will allow you to become familiar with the testing environment. You must get all the questions correct before moving forward in the course. You may take this quiz as many times as possible, however the last time should be a PASS.

Note, this is your practice in the testing environment, use it as such! If you make an error on an actual test due to unfamiliarity with the testing environment in Blackboard, it is your own fault and credit will not be given. Failure to take the syllabus quiz results in a failing grade.

**LECTURE:** The lecture section is worth 60% of the total grade and consists of 4 lecture exams and 12 quizzes. There is also a comprehensive final exam. \*Note that the lowest grades are NOT dropped in this course- everything counts.

**LAB:** The lab section is worth 40% of the total grade and consists of 9 lab assignments and 3 lab practicals. \*The lowest grades will NOT be dropped.

Everything is worth 100 points and is weighted as follows:

## **Grading Conventions**

4 Lecture Exams	30%
1 Comprehensive Final	20%
12 Lecture Quizzes	10%
Syllabus Quiz	Pass/Fail
3 Lab Practicals	30%
9 Labs	10%

There is a folder under the Syllabus link in Blackboard that explains exactly how to calculated your grade. You cannot simply add your points and divide by the total.

## **Grading Scale:**

# **Percentages** Grade 89.5 - 100 A 79.5 - 89.4 B

69.5 - 79.4 C

59.5 - 69.4 D

0 - 59.4 F

\*NOTE: Your total course score is a <u>weighted percentage</u>, therefore an 88% is NOT two points away from an A; it could be up to ten points away. Please do not email your instructor asking for grade "bumps". You get the grade YOU earn.

### Exam, Quiz, & Lab Details

All graded materials are due at the end of the specified week. A "week" in this course begins on a Monday and ends on Sunday at midnight. The course week schedule can be found on Blackboard under Course Materials at the top of the page. Each module will specify which week the grades materials are due. Your coach will send you a reminder each week, but it is your responsibility to keep up with the work.

**Final Exam:** The final exam is cumulative, covering chapters 18-29. The final is 100 multiple choice questions; you have **ninety minutes** to take it. I reuse your *lecture quiz* questions only; this is a very good way to boost your grade at the end of the semester. **Blackboard will automatically submit your answers when the allotted time has expired. There is NO make-up for the final exam.** If you miss the final exam, by failing to log on and complete the final exam when it is available online, then you will receive a zero for the final exam and a failing grade of "F" for the course.

**Lecture Exams:** There are four lecture exams. Each lecture exam covers three chapters in the text. All lecture exams are 50 multiple choice questions. You have **60 minutes** to take each exam. Blackboard will automatically submit your answers when the allotted time has expired. **There are NO make-up exams**. If you miss an exam, by failing to log on and complete the exam when it is available online, then you will receive a zero for the missed exam.

Exam 1: ch 18-20 Exam 3: ch 24-26 Exam 2: ch 21-23 Exam 4: ch 27-29

**Lecture Quizzes:** We will cover 12 chapters in the text (ch 18-29). There is a lecture quiz on each chapter. All quizzes are multiple choice questions. You have **45 minutes** to take each quiz. Blackboard will automatically submit your answers when the allotted time has expired. There are **NO make-up quizzes**. If you miss a quiz, by failing to log on and complete the quiz when it is available online, then you will receive a zero for the missed quiz.

**Laboratory Practicals:** There are 3 lab practicals, each covers three labs. All laboratory practicals are 50 multiple choice questions each. You have **50 minutes** to complete the lab practical. Blackboard will automatically submit your answers when the allotted time has expired. **There are NO make-up lab practicals**. If you miss a lab practical, by failing to log on and complete the practical when it is available online, then you will receive a zero for the missed practical.

Lab Practical 1: labs 1-3 Lab Practical 2: labs 4-6 Lab Practical 3: labs 7-9

Lab Assignments: There are nine lab assignments. These assignments are not timed. There are NO make-up lab assignments. If you miss a lab assignment, by failing to log on and complete the assignment when it is available online, then you will receive a zero for the missed assignment.

- 1. Cardiovascular system: blood
- 2. Cardiovascular system: heart
- 3. Cardiovascular system: vessels
- 4. Lymphatic System
- 5. Anatomy of Respiratory system
- 6. Digestive system
- 7. Anatomy of Urinary System
- 8. Urinalysis
- 9. Reproductive system

**Grading Penalties for Lateness:** Blackboard will automatically submit your answers when the allotted time has expired. You have the following allotted time limits:

Exams: 60 minutes Quizzes: 45 minutes Lab Practicals: 50 minutes

These times have been set at a pace that shows me you know the answer without looking up information in your book or online while taking the test. If you cannot complete the assignments in this time frame, you do not know the material well enough.

**Due Date:** Your calculated grade on a test (quiz, exam, or lab practical) or lab assignment will be reduced by a penalty of **1 point per hour**, for every hour <u>that you exceed the due date</u>. If you submit work a day late, that is a 24 point deduction. Make sure you submit the tests and assignments before their due dates pass! Remember, a "week" in this course begins on Monday and ends on Sunday at midnight. All materials for each week are due by midnight of Sunday. The weekly schedule is listed on the Course Materials page at the top.

**Check Your Answers:** Please check your answers before submitting your quiz, exam or practical. If you mistakenly select the wrong answer, <u>you will NOT be given back any points</u>. It is easy to select "A" and slide the mouse and "B" actually gets selected. **BE CAREFUL and double check your answers BEFORE you submit!** 

**Technical Difficulties:** It happens time to time that your internet connection disconnects or the power goes out or you double clicked in the testing environment, did not update JAVA or have more than one window open which forces Blackboard to shut down. If this happens during a timed assignment, **LOG BACK IN IMMEDIATELY**; the **TIMER KEEPS RUNNING** even when you are logged out. The second you click on a timed assignment, the timer starts and does not stop until you hit submit.

### What can you do to prevent this disaster from happening to you?!

- 1. UPGRADE your internet connection and make sure you computer is working properly.
- 2. Update Java every few days. Blackboard needs Java to run! Update, update!
- 3. Only have one window open at a time. Having PowerPoint, Word, the internet- anything open besides Blackboard will cause Blackboard to kick you out during an exam or practical. It's a safety net to prevent cheating. 4. Do NOT double click in the testing environment...ever! One click, be patient!
- 5. If the power goes out, you need documentation from your power company to prove this to me if you want your points back from exceeding the time limit. This usually takes awhile, so get on it ASAP!
- 6. Do NOT use Internet Explorer, it does not get along with Blackboard! Use FoxFire or Google Chrome.

**ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:** It is the philosophy of The University of Texas at Arlington that academic dishonesty is a completely unacceptable mode of conduct and will not be tolerated in any form. All persons involved in academic dishonesty will be disciplined in accordance with University regulations and procedures. Discipline may include suspension or expulsion from the University. "Scholastic dishonesty includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts." (Regents' Rules and Regulations, Part One, Chapter VI, Section 3, Subsection 3.2, Subdivision 3.22)

Note: Blackboard will give you an error message and kick you out of the testing environment if you attempt to open another window while in any of the testing environments. This is to prevent looking up answers. This includes any internet windows, PowerPoint or email. Tests are CLOSED BOOK; having your book open while completing exams or lab practicals is considered CHEATING. Having your lab assignments or lecture quizzes open while taking exams or practicals is CHEATING. Please keep in mind, we do have the technology in place that records every key stroke you make in Blackboard. If I suspect you are cheating I will request the report which will show if you have any assignments open while you are testing.

**BLACKBOARD TECHNICAL ISSUES:** Because you have signed up for an online course, your internet service and connection are your responsibilities. Make sure you have updated, fast, reliable service. HAVE A BACKUP PLAN just in case you internet connection goes out. This has happened due to power outages and weather. Plan accordingly.

It is your responsibility to go through the Student Resources and FAQ's on the menu to learn how to use Blackboard. You are taking an online course; you must know how to use your platform! I expect you are responsible enough to do this on your own and will assume you have done so before your begin the course. Please do not email me with technical questions without trying to determine what you may have done first to receive an error message. You may call the help desk at any time and seek assistance: helpdesk@uta.edu or 817.272.2208.

Make sure you have an updated version of Java; Blackboard requires Java to run. Do not double click in the testing environment. It slows Blackboard down.

If you do receive an error message while in the Blackboard testing environment, log right back in and keep going. The TIMER DOES NOT STOP!!! You should not receive any error messages if you follow the directions below and familiarize yourself with the testing environment. If you experience technical difficulties during an exam, it is best to log back in and keep going. I cannot award points or let you retake exams or practicals due to technical difficulties.

If you click on an assignment or an exam, you are going to open it and the clock will start! You will have to take it whether you are prepared or not. Be careful that you are opening the correct exam or assignment!

Lastly, answers do not switch when they are submitted. Blackboard is unable to change any answers you save. Therefore, do not assume Blackboard switched your submitted answer- it is not possible. It is your responsibility to make sure you save your changes before submitting and points will not be awarded back to you if you do not double check and submit the wrong one.

**Dropping the Course:** Please note that the **last day to withdraw from class with a "W"** is **February 23rd.** Be aware that after this date you will receive an academic grade in the course. Initiating the drop procedure is the student's responsibility.

## Success in Anatomy & Physiology

This is a fast paced course with an overwhelming amount of material. Lecture PowerPoint slides and recordings have been provided for you to aid in your studying, but are by no means a substitute for reading your text book. You must keep up and stay on top of the schedule or you will quickly get behind and there is no catching up in an eight week course. Plan ahead, I cannot stress this enough.

Reading is passive learning. Do not expect to read the chapter and be prepared to take an exam. You need to memorize, which takes active learning. Try flashcards, making outlines, explaining the material in your own words out loud, drawing, mnemonics, etc. Do not count on being able to look answers up while taking the exam. You must know the material thoroughly to succeed. My exams are very tough and for good reason. This is a science class with extremely important information that you must know to do your job well. You cannot learn this material short term and forget it. You never know what information you may need, so do not discredit material simply because it does not apply to your field.

Stay positive and focused. If you are struggling with the amount of material, good news, you are normal! Everyone struggles with this information the first time the learn it. Do not get discouraged or be self-defeating. You can do it; it will take serious commitment and dedication of your time. Most importantly-do not give up. Remember learning anything new is difficult. You did not hop on a bike and just start riding down the street. You had to practice. You will have to practice in this class too. Nothing that is worth your while comes easy in life. So work hard and expect the best out of yourself.