

MEDG 505 2021W GENOME ANALYSIS

Investigation of genetic information as it is organized within genomes, genetic and physical map construction, sequencing technologies, gene identification, proteomics, database accessing and integration, applications to medicine, functional organization of genomes from contemporary, historic, and evolutionary perspectives.

Credit value: 3

Prerequisite: BIOL 234 (Fundamentals of Genetics).

COURSE COORDINATORS

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CLASS FORMAT

Classes are held **in-class** on **Fridays, from 9:30am to 12:30pm** at the Geography Building, [Room 214](#). The course consists of guest lectures by invited speakers on their field of interest within genomics. Each speaker selects two papers for students to present and discuss with the class.

09:30am	Lecture by faculty member and on-going discussion
10:35am	More discussion
10:50am	Break
11:10am	Student presentation #1: 25 minutes +10 min discussion
11:45am	Student presentation #2: 25 minutes +10 min discussion

LEARNING MATERIALS

All reading materials will be available as online documents in the course home page on Canvas.

2021W SCHEDULE

Week	Date	Speaker and topic	E-mail
1	Jan 14, 2022	Phil Hieter, Shawn Shortill Intro to Genome Analysis, Genetic Networks, 1000 genomes	hieter@msl.ubc.ca
2	Jan 21, 2022	Steve Jones Personal Genomics	sjones@bcgsc.ca
3	Jan 28, 2022	Gregg Morin Proteomics for biology and gene function	gmorin@bcgsc.ca
4	Feb 4, 2022	Jan Friedman Rare Disease Genomics	jan.friedman@ubc.ca
5	Feb 11, 2022	Inanc Birol Antimicrobial Resistance	ibirol@bcgsc.ca
6	Feb 18, 2022	Marco Marra Cancer Genomics	mmarra@bcgsc.ca
7	Feb 25, 2022	Midterm break	-
8	Mar 4, 2022	Midterm assignment All students: presentations of Wikipedia articles	sshortill@cmmt.ubc.ca
9	Mar 11, 2022	Mike Kobor Epigenomics	mks@bcchr.ca
10	Mar 18, 2022	Colin Ross Personalized Medicine: Pharmacogenomics and Gene Therapy	colin.ross@ubc.ca
11	Mar 25, 2022	Will Hsiao Microbial Genomics and Public Health	william.hsiao@bccdc.ca
12	Apr 1, 2022	Holly Longstaff Ethical, legal, social issues: Genomes	holly.engageassociates@gmail.com
13	Apr 8, 2022	Final project TBD	sshortill@cmmt.ubc.ca

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

▪ Student presentations

Students will give a 25-minute presentation of a paper assigned by the guest speaker and then lead 5 to 10 minutes of discussion with the class. Presentations should include the following items:

- Background
- Methods
- Results, analysis
- Conclusion
- Critique
- Discussion points

▪ Midterm assignment

Students will work in pairs to write and publish a Wikipedia article on a novel technology in genomics. They will present their work in class on **February 18, 2022**.

▪ Final project

To be determined each year before the mid-term break, and due after classes are completed.

GRADING

The grading scheme is a simple formula. Come prepared for class, read the papers carefully, ask questions, contribute.

25%	Paper presentation
25%	Class participation
25%	Midterm assignment: Wikipedia article
25%	Final project

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