BIOPHYSICS (BIOPHYSICS)

BIOPHYSICS 204A Macromolecular Structure and Interactions (4 Units) Fall
Instructor(s): Robert M. Stroud, Natalia Z. Jura
Prerequisite(s): None.

Restrictions: First year Biophysics and CCB students
Activities: Lecture, Project, Lab science

In this course, we will pursue a qualitative & quantitative understanding of the physical basis of macromolecular function. We will examine: the nature & quantification of the forces that drive macromolecular interactions, both intramolecular (macromolecular folding), & with other proteins & ligands; diffusion & active transport of macromolecules; the structural underpinnings of the kinetics & thermodynamics of macromolecular reactions; & the physical basis of important biophysical methods.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? No
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: Letter Grade, In Progress (IP, SP/UP) grading allowed
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? No

BIOPHYSICS 204B Methods in Macromolecular Structure (4 Units) Winter
Instructor(s): John D. Gross, James S. Fraser, Aashish Manglik
Prerequisite(s): BIOPHYSICS 204A

Restrictions: None.
Activities: Lecture, Fieldwork, Project, Lab science

This is a team-based class where students work in small groups develop their own analysis of real data that they have collected. Statistical aspects of rigor and reproducibility in structural biology will be emphasized throughout lectures, journal club presentations, and hands-on activities.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? No
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: Letter Grade
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? No

BIOPHYSICS 205B Complex Biological Systems B (2.5-4 Units) Winter
Instructor(s): Hani Goodarzi, Luke A. Gilbert
Prerequisite(s): None

Restrictions: None.
Activities: Lecture, Laboratory, Project, Lab science

This course will teach the fundamentals of dissecting and understanding complex biological systems using didactic instruction in addition to practical lab experience in the context of a team-based project. For each project, students will learn and use modern genomic and proteomic tools to characterize transcriptional circuits within a model organism. This course is a continuation of material introduced in 205A.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? No
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: Letter Grade, P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? No

BIOPHYSICS 210 Biological Light Microscopy (4 Units) Spring
Instructor(s): Orion D. Weiner
Prerequisite(s): None

Restrictions: No first year students. Laboratory space is limited to 24 students; instructor permission required.
Activities: Lecture, Laboratory

This course provides a comprehensive introduction to light microscopy as it is commonly used for imaging biological samples. No previous experience with microscopy is assumed; the course begins with basic optics and covers the design and operation of modern research microscopes. Advanced techniques including confocal microscopy, TIRF, and super-resolution techniques are covered. This course includes both labs and lectures.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? No
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? Yes
Course Grading Convention: P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? No
**BIOPHYSICS 215 Laboratory Rotation (1-8 Units)** Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

*Instructor(s):* Staff

*Prerequisite(s):* None

*Restrictions:* None

*Activities:* Laboratory

An introduction to the specific research currently underway within a faculty member's laboratory.

*School:* Graduate Division  
*Department:* Biophysics Program

May the student choose the instructor for this course? Yes

Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No

Course Grading Convention: Letter Grade, P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)

Graduate Division course: Yes

Is this a web-based online course? No

Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No

May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes

Repeat course for credit? Yes

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**BIOPHYSICS 219 Special Topics in Biophysics (3 Units)** Fall, Spring

*Instructor(s):* Staff

*Prerequisite(s):* None

*Restrictions:* First-year graduate students; other graduate and professional students with permission of instructor.

*Activities:* Lecture, Independent Study

Each course offering will focus on the literature of a current important area of Biophysics. Students will be expected to read assigned papers critically before class and to present and discuss papers in class. Students will also be expected to write and present a brief research proposal based upon their reading. Topics in Molecular, Cellular, Developmental Systems and Computational Biology will be covered in individual courses.

*School:* Graduate Division  
*Department:* Biophysics Program

May the student choose the instructor for this course? Yes

Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No

Course Grading Convention: P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)

Graduate Division course: Yes

Is this a web-based online course? No

Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No

May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes

Repeat course for credit? Yes

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**BIOPHYSICS 220 Biophysics Seminar (1 Units)** Fall, Winter, Spring

*Instructor(s):* Alan D Frankel

*Prerequisite(s):* None

*Restrictions:* n/a

*Activities:* Lecture

This course consists of presentation and discussion of research in quantitative biology and biophysics by outside speakers.

*School:* Graduate Division  
*Department:* Biophysics Program

May the student choose the instructor for this course? No

Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No

Course Grading Convention: P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)

Graduate Division course: Yes

Is this a web-based online course? No

Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No

May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes

Repeat course for credit? Yes

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**BIOPHYSICS 223 Scientific Communication Seminar (1 Units)** Fall, Winter, Spring

*Instructor(s):* Tanja Kortemme

*Prerequisite(s):* None

*Restrictions:* None

*Activities:* Seminar

This seminar will provide graduate students with a forum in which to develop seminar and poster presentation skills; critically organize and critically review scientific data; and analyze and question oral scientific presentations.

*School:* Graduate Division  
*Department:* Biophysics Program

May the student choose the instructor for this course? No

Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No

Course Grading Convention: P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)

Graduate Division course: Yes

Is this a web-based online course? No

Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No

May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes

Repeat course for credit? No
BIOPHYSICS 224 Critical Topics in Biophysics (1 Units) Fall, Winter, Spring

Instructor(s): Brian K Shoichet
Prerequisite(s): None

Restrictions: None

Activities: Lecture

Critical review of published scientific papers from scholarly journals, including comprehension, analysis and evaluation of published scientific data.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? No
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/ Unsatisfactory)

Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? Yes

BIOPHYSICS 241 Physical Biology (5 Units) Fall

Instructor(s): Michael D Grabe
Prerequisite(s): None

Restrictions: none

Activities: Lecture

This is a course on molecular thermodynamics and statistical mechanics. It covers the concepts of entropy, enthalpy, heat capacity, free energy, ligand binding, solvation, the properties of water, the hydrophobic effect, solution electrostatics, adsorption, and physical and chemical kinetics.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? No
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: Letter Grade
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? No

BIOPHYSICS 250 Research (1-8 Units) Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

Instructor(s): Staff
Prerequisite(s): BIOPHYSICS 204A, BIOPHYSICS 204B

Restrictions: NA

Activities: Project

In this course, students will work together with a primary research advisor to select a research question and design a project workplan that will be carried out by the student. Through this activity, the student will gain experience in research strategy, learn techniques associated with modern biomedical research and practice how to interpret results. At the conclusion of the course, the student will present on their progress.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? Yes
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/ Unsatisfactory)
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? Yes

BIOPHYSICS 297 Scientific writing: applying for the NSF predoctoral fellows (1 Units) Fall

Instructor(s): Zev J. Gartner
Prerequisite(s): None

Restrictions: None

Activities: Seminar, Workshop

Communicating your best ideas is critical to obtaining the resources necessary to work on them. This course prepares you to conceive, organize, and communicate scientific ideas in written form. Built around the NSF GRF application, this course covers important funding agencies and fellowship opportunities, formulating a research plan in the form of hypotheses and specific aims, organizing research proposals, and peer editing. Course culminates in submission of materials to NSF and other agencies.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? No
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: Letter Grade
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? No
BIOPHYSICS 299 Dissertation (0 Units) Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

Instructor(s): Staff
Prerequisite(s): Advancement to candidacy and permission of the graduate adviser

Restrictions: Graduate students after advancement to candidacy

For graduate students engaged in writing the dissertation for the PhD degree.

School: Graduate Division
Department: Biophysics Program
May the student choose the instructor for this course? Yes
Does enrollment in this course require instructor approval? No
Course Grading Convention: P/NP (Pass/Not Pass) or S/U (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)
Graduate Division course: Yes
Is this a web-based online course? No
Is this an Interprofessional Education (IPE) course? No
May students in the Graduate Division (i.e. pursuing Master or PhD) enroll in this course? Yes
Repeat course for credit? No