Description: Biochemistry 2

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STAFFING
Examiner: Robert Learmonth
Moderator: Bernadette McCabe

REQUISITES
Pre-requisite: BIO2201

RATIONALE
Biochemistry 2 further develops the approaches, concepts and skills imparted in Biochemistry 1. It focuses on structures and functions of membranes, transport of molecules in biological systems, and on the organisation and control of biochemical reactions of metabolism within organisms. Biochemistry 2 is central to studies of bioinformatics and biomedical science, and important in studies of plants, animals and microorganisms.

SYNOPSIS
This course focuses on advanced study of membranes, transport of ions and molecules, and integration and control of metabolism in animals, plants and micro-organisms. Control of metabolic reactions is considered from the level of individual enzymes, to cells, to integration throughout the whole organism.

OBJECTIVES
On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

1. explain the principles governing the coordination and regulation of biochemical pathways and metabolism at levels from the cell to the whole organism (Mid-semester Test; Exam);
2. show an understanding of the cellular mechanisms of action of hormones (Mid-semester Test; Exam);
3. demonstrate a knowledge of the current understanding of the structure and function of membrane lipids and proteins (Exam);
4. relate the operation of membranes to structure and function of their components (Exam);
5. demonstrate familiarity with the application and limitations of the major preparative and analytical tools of the biochemist (Reports on Laboratory Work);
6. demonstrate an awareness of the application of biochemistry in contemporary biological and biophysical sciences (Reports on Laboratory Work; Mid-semester Test; Exam).

**TOPICS**

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<td>5. Membranes - structure, functions, transport</td>
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<td>6. Biochemical research and emerging fields.</td>
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**TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED**

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the 'Textbook Search' facility at http://bookshop.usq.edu.au click 'Semester', then enter your 'Course Code' (no spaces).

(will be provided to enrolled students)

(ISBN 0 7167 4339 6)


**REFERENCE MATERIALS**

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.


(Pearson Educ)


**STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS**

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**ASSESSMENT DETAILS**

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**NOTES**

1. Examiner to advise due dates of practical reports in the Course and Practical Manual.
2. Examiner to advise date of mid semester test during week 11 (28 September - 2 October 2009).
3. Examination dates will be available during the Semester. Please refer to the examination timetable when published.

**IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION**

1. Attendance requirements:
   It is the students' responsibility to attend and participate appropriately in all activities (such as lectures, tutorials, laboratories and practical work) scheduled for them, and to study all material provided to them or required to be accessed by them to maximise their chance of meeting the objectives of the course and to be informed of course-related activities and administration. To maximise their chances of satisfying the objectives of the practical component of the course, students should attend and actively participate in the laboratory sessions in the course.

2. Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
   To complete each of the assessment items satisfactorily, students must obtain at least 50% of the marks available for each assessment item. (Depending upon the requirements in Statement 4 below, students may not have to satisfactorily complete each assessment item to receive a passing grade in this course). (Assessment of Practical Work will comprise...
evaluation of performance in the laboratory (10%) and of written practical reports and assignments (20%).

3 Penalties for late submission of required work:
If students submit assignments after the due date without (prior) approval of the examiner then a penalty of 5% of the total marks gained by the student for the assignment may apply for each working day late up to ten working days at which time a mark of zero may be recorded. No assignments will be accepted after model answers have been posted.

4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
To be assured of receiving a passing grade a student must achieve at least 50% of the total weighted marks available for the course.

5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
The final grades for students will be assigned on the basis of the weighted aggregate of the marks obtained for each of the summative assessment items in the course.

6 Examination information:
In a Closed Examination, candidates are allowed to bring only writing and drawing instruments into the examination.

7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
Any Deferred or Supplementary examinations for this course will be held during the examination period at the end of the semester following this course.

8 University Regulations:
Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6. Assessment and 5.10 Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL http://www.usq.edu.au/corporateservices/calendar/part5.htm or in the current USQ Handbook.

**ASSESSMENT NOTES**

9 In order to attend laboratory classes, students must provide and wear appropriate personal protective equipment. This shall include a laboratory coat, closed in shoes, and safety glasses. Such equipment must be approved by supervising staff. Failure to provide and wear the appropriate safety equipment will result in students being excluded from classes.

10 Students may be required to provide a copy of assignments submitted for assessment purposes. Such copies should be dispatched to USQ within 24 hours of receipt of a request to do so.