

BIOL 98: Readings in Biology

BIOL 98 is a **one-semester readings tutorial course** taught by a faculty member in the Biology department. The purpose of this tutorial is for the student to become well-read in the scientific literature of a particular field or topic, and to be able to discuss the content and significance of assigned readings in **weekly meetings** with a faculty member whose expertise is in that field of study. This is not a research course, and it cannot be used to obtain course credit for doing research. Course prerequisites include completion of BIOL 22a and BIOL 22b.

Course credit. BIOL 98 does not count as an elective toward the Biology major, it is restricted to juniors and seniors, and it can be taken only once, either in Fall or Spring semester.

How to enroll: (1) Complete the registrar's "form for adding a 98 independent study course" (see attached form). The student must obtain from the faculty instructor a complete course syllabus with specified assigned readings from current literature publications and review articles, the weekly student meeting dates, the course requirements (writing of papers, reviews), and the standards by which the student will be graded. This material should be attached to the registrar's '98 independent study form'. In addition, the instructor as well as the student must sign the '98 independent study form'. (2) Enrollment requires approval by the Biology Dept. UAH. Prior to the course enrollment deadline, the student must meet with the UAH and provide the completed material. If the proposed course material is approved, the Biology UAH will enroll the student in BIOL 98.

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Form for Adding a "98" Independent Study Course

Name: _____ ID: 2 _____

Email: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Subject: _____ Course: 98A 98B

Term: Fall 20____ / Spring 20____

Statement of Purpose:

Proposed Curriculum, Reading List, and Required Assignments:

Standards for Determination of Course Grade

Instructor (Print): _____

Instructor (Signature): _____ Date: _____

Student (Signature): _____ Date: _____

Some departments require the signature of the department chair or undergraduate advising head. Please check the department course description in the University Bulletin for other required signatures and obtain signature as necessary.

Print one copy for: Instructor, Registrar's Office (Kutz 121), Student