

# BIOLOGY 5314 - ANATOMY COLLOQUIUM

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## **Anatomy Colloquium**

The Anatomy Colloquium course, Biology 5314, is designed around three basic principles. First, to create an opportunity for anatomy teaching assistants to further their knowledge of anatomy as they prepare to become more effective anatomists and teachers. Second, to provide opportunities for anatomy teaching assistants to present a lecture to their peers, as they attempt to develop and polish their teaching skills. Three, to create a forum for interested students to learn about and discuss anatomy. The course is open to any student who has been or currently is a teaching assistant for anatomy. It begins the second Friday of the semester and runs every Friday from 2:15 to 3:15 PM during the fall semester (see accompanying schedule).

## **Participation and Evaluation**

All current anatomy teaching assistants are required to attend the anatomy colloquium, whether they register for the course or not. Past teaching assistants can attend the colloquium as a registered student or can participate for the learning experience without registering. For all students who choose to register for credit, the evaluation process is as follows:

**Grade of A:** Keep a weekly notebook of each lecture. The notebook should include clear and thorough notes from the lecture, accompanied by a brief, **intelligent, thoughtful** statement that describes the take home message you garnered from the presentation. You must turn in a single spaced half page summary for each of the lectures. This summary should describe what you learned from the lecture. This must be typed and submitted via email to Mark Nielsen during the final week of the semester. If you miss a week, you must get the notes from a student who was in attendance, study them, and write your own take home statement. If you are the presenter of one of the lectures, you do not need to submit a summary of your own presentation.

**Grade of B:** An incomplete submission of the lecture summaries.

**Grade of C:** Submit one page at the end of the semester that lists the topic of each weekly presentation accompanied by a statement of which lectures you attended and which lectures you missed. The only possible way to fail this course is to lie about your attendance.