

Contract for Research in Biological Sciences

DEADLINE for registration: Third Friday of each semester

DEADLINE for *First time* applicants: Last Day of Drop/Add Period

Please register in person with the Director of Advising (biology.rutgers.edu/advising).

Student Name _____ RU ID# _____

Student RU Email: _____ Current Overall GPA _____

Student: Please attach a one page research proposal, written by you, to this application.

-The proposal must have a description of the background information necessary to understand and justify the work, a specific hypothesis to be tested, a detailed description of the data that you will collect, and a prediction about the results you will obtain.

-The proposal should also justify the number of credits for which you would like to register.

-Please see the advisor and <http://biology.rutgers.edu/biological-sciences/research> for further information

Student: please read and initial:

____ I understand the requirements for Research in Biology.

____ I must test a specific hypothesis and collect data in order to support or refute that hypothesis.

____ I must work at least 4-5 hours per week per credit.

____ I may not apply research hours from Aresty or other paid or for credit research toward my research requirement hours for Research in Biology. Students may complete the Research in Biology requirement *in addition* to their Aresty/paid/other credit research hours.

____ I am aware that I must submit a written, graded paper (for guidelines, see biology.rutgers.edu/biological-sciences/research or course Sakai site) and that this is due, *graded* by my research supervisor, by 5pm of the second reading day at the end of the semester.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Circle the appropriate course number (ask the advisor if you have questions) **# Credits (1-4)**

Research in Biology 119:307 / 119:308 119:406 / 119:407 _____

Faculty Research Advisor's Name _____

Faculty Advisor's Department _____ phone # _____

Email address: _____

Faculty: Please read and initial:

____ I understand that students conducting research in the Biological Sciences must test a specific hypothesis and must collect data.

____ I further understand that students must complete a research manuscript and that I must grade this paper and return it to the student for submission. A rubric will be provided.

____ It is the student's responsibility to give me the paper in a timely manner in order to meet the deadline of having it ready for submission and graded by the second reading day at the end of the semester.

____ The grade in the research course is determined both by the quality of the student's lab work and by the quality of the paper.

____ Students are expected to work at least 4-5 hours per week per credit and may not apply ARESTY or any other paid or credit research hours toward their Research in Biology hours requirement.

____ Work that is mostly a literature review should be registered as an Independent Study 119:201 or 202. Please email the Biological Sciences advisor (advisor@biology.rutgers.edu) if you have any additional questions

Faculty Advisor's Signature: _____ Date _____