

Contract for Research in Biological Sciences

DEADLINE for registration: Third Friday of each semester

****We encourage applicants (particularly 1st time applicants) to not wait until the deadline*** Please register in person with the Director of Advising (biology.rutgers.edu/advising).**

Student Name _____

RU ID# _____

Student RU Email: _____

Current Overall GPA _____ (2.8 Required)

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 Dr. Carr-Schmid and <http://biology.rutgers.edu/biological-sciences/research> for further information

Student: Please read carefully and initial:

____ I understand my project must be approved by the Director of Advising for Biological Sciences and revisions of my proposal may be required before I can be registered.

____ 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 be financially compensated or receive credit through another department/program for any hours that I am applying toward my Research in Biology credit hours.

____ I am aware I am required to submit a rough draft of the paper one week in advance of the due date to my research mentor and to the course Canvas site.

____ I am aware that I must submit a minimum 10 page written, graded paper (for guidelines, see <http://biology.rutgers.edu/biological-sciences/research> or course Canvas site) this is due, *graded* by my research supervisor, by 5pm of the second (or only) reading day at the end of the semester and must be submitted to both the Canvas site and to Nelson B112.

____ I understand the requirements for Research in Biology and will review the specifics on the Canvas course site.

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 Unit & Department _____ phone # _____

Email address: _____

Faculty: Please read carefully and initial:

____ I understand that students conducting research in the Biological Sciences must test a specific hypothesis and must collect data. Studies with human subjects are not permitted. Group projects are also not permitted.

____ I understand that students must complete a rough draft and final 10 page research manuscript and that I must submit a grade for this paper by email to Dr. Carr-Schmid. It is the responsibility of the student to provide me with the grading form and rubric from the course Canvas site with a copy of the paper to review.

____ It is the student's responsibility to provide me with the rough draft and final paper in a timely manner in order to meet the deadline to have it ready for submission and graded by the second (or only) 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 paid or research for credit through other departments 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 (schmid@biology.rutgers.edu) if you have any additional questions

Faculty Advisor's Signature: _____ Date _____