

Biology of Companion Animals

Learning Objectives: Using active and self-directed learning techniques, empower students to learn and apply principles of companion animal biology over a lifetime.

Learning Coach: Coach Rod rallrich@purdue.edu or rod@rodallrich.com
Seeking Coach's help: 1) See Rod during class, 2) See Rod during the 2/week help sessions
3) Email Rod for a specific time to meet
TA: Assistant Coach Erin

Course Topics: Anatomy & Physiology, Genetics, Reproduction and Lactation, Nutrition, Immunity & Health, Thermoregulation, and Behavior. Focus animals are dogs, cats and horses. Some limited time will also be devoted to birds, reptiles, amphibians, and rodents.

Course Website: www.rodallrich.com Contains links to reading material/videos (no textbook required)

Study Room for ANSC 106: MW @ 12:30-2:20 pm in CRTN 1011 (the 2 hours before class)
MW @ 3:30-4:30 pm in CRTN 1011 (the hour after class)

Class Meeting Times/Place: MW @ 2:35-3:20 pm in CRTN 1011 (Fridays-view videos (on your own time) created by Coach Rod; therefore, we will meet in cyberspace on Fridays)

Exams: Six during semester (100 pts. each). At the end of the semester, the lowest exam score will be dropped and the highest exam score will be doubled.

Exam dates: 1/16 2/6 2/27 3/20 4/3 4/17

Final Exam: There will be no final exam (we already had 6 exams!)

Exam Makeups: Makeups possible only for special reasons such as serious illness, funerals, etc. Makeups must be arranged **prior to the time** of the to-be-missed exam. Exam makeups may be oral or written or some combination of written & oral.

Course Grade Determination: There are 600 total points possible for the semester.

A plus (4.0) 97.0-100.0 %	A (4.0) 93.0-96.9 %	A minus (3.7) 90.0-92.9 %
B plus (3.3) 87.0-89.9 %	B (3.0) 83.0-86.9 %	B minus (2.7) 80.0-82.9 %
C plus (2.3) 77.0-79.9 %	C (2.0) 73.0-76.9 %	C minus (1.7) 70.0-72.9 %
D plus (1.3) 67.0-69.9 %	D (1.0) 63.0-66.9 %	D minus (0.7) 60.0-62.9 % F (0.0) < 60.0 %

Dead Week Policy: No class meetings scheduled. Instruction time (150 minutes) from this week will be conducted earlier in the semester via required YouTube instructional videos.

Bad Weather Policy: In the event that Purdue cancels classes, Rod will send an email to students describing how the schedule of course events is affected by the cancellation.

Smart phones, etc.: Must be put away during class. Each violation = 25 point loss on next exam.