

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, rod@rodallrich.com, CEO@rodallrich.com

Seeking Coach's help: 1) See Rod during class or during study sessions or email him

Course Topics: Behavior, Anatomy, Physiology, Genetics, Reproduction, Lactation, Nutrition, Immunity, Health, and Thermoregulation. 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)
Redundant (back-up) websites: rodallrich2.com and rodallrich.bravehost.com

Class Meeting Times/Place: MW @ 1:30-4:20 pm in CRTN 1011 (Fridays-view videos (on your own time) created by Coach Rod; therefore, we will meet in cyberspace on Fridays—its termed asynchronous learning).

Show/Tell/Learn: Each student will make a presentation (100 pts) to the class on some aspect of pet ownership.

Assessments: A combination of in-class exams/quizzes and take-home exams/quizzes/assignments will be used to assess student learning. A total of 1000 points can be earned by students during the semester. Some assessments will be uploaded (pdf files only), by students, into Brightspace (BS) and will be scanned by the Turnitin program. **Similarity Scores (assigned by Turnitin) that are 20% or higher, will be ruled inadmissible and not evaluated by Rod. Students may submit multiple versions of a particular assessment in an effort to lower Similarity Scores (before the established deadline).**

Dead Week Policy: No class meetings scheduled. Instruction time from this week will be conducted during the semester via assigned YouTube instructional videos.

Final Exam: There will be no final exam. During the semester, we will have completed dozens of diagnostic, formative, interim, and summative assessments.
Rod's belief—assessments should be frequent.

Course Grade Determination: There are 1000 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 %

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