

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 _____

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 that my project must be approved by the Bio advisor and revisions of my proposal may be required before I can be registered.

____ 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 be financially compensated or receive credit through another department for any hours that I am applying toward my Research in Biology credit 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 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 (advisor@biology.rutgers.edu) if you have any additional questions

Faculty Advisor's Signature: _____ Date _____