SUMMER 2021 and FALL/WINTER 2021/2022 ENROLMENT INFORMATION

<u>Most Biology courses will be offered remotely</u> in the <u>Summer</u> and <u>Fall</u> 2021 terms, including most lab courses. (Fall courses that will be entirely virtual/remote will have the designation REMT). Details of how each course will be organized will be posted on the specific course Moodle website by the first day of class. Courses for <u>Winter 2022</u> will be offered in person if government and university regulations permit it. We will continue to post updated information here as we receive it, so please check back.

Below we describe exceptions to these general rules.

<u>SUMMER TERM Courses with in person components:</u> SC/BIOL 3150 4.0 will hold labs on campus. Students enrolling must be able to come to campus for labs.

FALL TERM Courses with in-person components: SC/BIOL 3030 4.0, SC/BIOL 3060 4.0, SC/BIOL 3140 4.0, SC/BIOL 3150 4.0, SC/BIOL 4290 4.0

For these courses some or all lab sessions will be held on campus, so students must be prepared to come to campus to complete labs.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Changes to courses and to prerequisites for Summer 2021 and Fall/Winter 2021-2022:

SC/BIOL 2030 4.0 Animals

BIOL 2030 will run as scheduled, but will run as a 3 credit version with no labs, rather than the usual 4 credit version with labs. BIOL 2030 3.0 will be accepted as a prerequisite and degree requirement wherever BIOL 2030 4.0 is required, **in all cases**.

SC/BIOL 2070 3.0 Research Methods in Cell and Molecular Biology

BIOL 2070 is a practical lab course, and we are not able to offer it remotely. However, in order to ensure you are not prevented from progressing normally through your degree, we have created a substitute course, BIOL 2071 3.0. BIOL 2071 will be accepted as a prerequisite and degree requirement wherever BIOL 2070 3.0 is required, **in all cases.** The new course will cover all of the learning outcomes covered in BIOL 2070, except for in-person labs, so you will still learn about current methods in biochemistry, cell biology and molecular biology, and you will be prepared for third year courses.

SC/BIOL 4000 Honour Thesis

At the moment we are planning to offer BIOL4000 8.0 as usual. Thesis students will be allowed to come on to campus to conduct their honours thesis research.

The ability to offer BIOL 4000 also will depend on the status of research labs. Updates will be provided as we receive them, and in the meantime we encourage you to

continue to plan for BIOL 4000 (and seek potential supervisors) as you normally would. If you require BIOL 4000 for your degree (it is only required if you are in a Specialized Honours Program), and have any concerns or questions, please email <u>biology@yorku.ca</u>. For questions related directly to the thesis course, please email <u>biochair@yorku.ca</u>.

Research Practicum Courses

Students who are interested in completing a Research Practicum course in the fall/winter should contact potential supervisors now to identify a supervisor and discuss possible projects. For projects that can be completed remotely, requests for enrollment can be submitted any time after your enrollment window opens. For projects that require work on campus, please consult with your supervisor.

Enrolling Into Courses

We recognize enrollment time is stressful. We will try our best to ensure you are able to enroll but we ask you to be patient as it is also a very busy time in the department as we prepare for the new term. The following are scenarios when you **should** contact the Department and ask for assistance one week prior to your enrollment window:

• If you have a prerequisite course that is a repeated course, transfer credit, pass/fail, deferred, or PDG or if you are currently enrolled in a prerequisite course for a course you wish to take in summer.

In all other cases you should be able to enroll into your courses without assistance.

Please keep in mind we strictly enforce all prerequisite courses in the department of biology. Please do not email us requesting courses for which you do not meet the prerequisites.

Best of luck and take care you yourself. Please check back here <u>before</u> emailing us as you will likely find the answer to your questions. We encourage you to listen to the Public Health Guidelines for your area and adhere strictly to these to encourage a quick return to campus. We look forward to seeing you all as soon as is safely possible.