

Advanced Biology
Grading and Homework Policies
Mr. Seis

Welcome to Advanced Biology! This class will be both an extension of what you learned in Biology, and a look at many new things as well. I consider this class a college prep class, so the difficulty of the material and the expectations I have will be increased. I have included an outline of the topics we will cover this year. This outline is tentative and could change as the semester progresses.

Your grade will be determined by several factors. The most obvious is points you earn on homework, projects, labs, quizzes and tests. These points will be converted to a percentage and I will use the following scale to determine a letter grade.

A = 93 – 100%
A- = 90 – 92%
B+ = 88 – 89%
B = 83 – 87%
B- = 80 – 82%
C+ = 78 – 79%
C = 73 – 77%
C- = 70 – 72%
D+ = 68 – 69%
D = 63 – 67%
D- = 60 – 62%
F = 59% and below

Since this is an upper level class I will also take effort and attitude into consideration when calculating grades.

Late work will be reduced in value by one half if it is turned in late. If it is more than two weeks late, I will no longer accept it and you will receive a zero for that assignment. It is up to you to make up missing work. If you are gone, it is your responsibility to get the missing work. If you have an unexcused absence, you will not be allowed to make up any work from that day, unless you provide proof that it was excused. Most of the materials used in the class can be found on edmodo.

You will not be required to keep a notebook, but I would highly recommend it.

Your trimester grade will be comprised of the points you earn throughout the trimester and a final exam.

Good luck, and I hope you enjoy the class!