# HHP Courses: What to Expect and How to Best Prepare!

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### **CORE COURSES**

#### Principles of Chemistry I (CHEM:1110)

- A required class for Human Physiology BS and Pre-Health tracks
- Covers fundamental chemistry concepts in more depth than General Chemistry
- Laboratory and homework grades heavily influence final grade, points are offered in other areas besides exams
- Exam questions are application based, not memorization
- Recommendations
  - Actively attend and participate in discussion
  - Complete the homework on schedule
  - Attend office hours if questions about the lab experiment or pre-lab
  - Attend SI

#### Principles of Chemistry II

- Course that contains heavy math load similar to PChem I but more concepts in PChem II
- Material is not too difficult- just continuation on PChem I
- Labs in this course are easier than in PChem I (more straightforward)
- When preparing for exams:
  - Briefly review/read each power point for each lecture chapter
  - Mastering Chem Practice Problems (most helpful thing to prepare you)
  - Taking Practice exam (mark what's wrong without looking at answers and look at lecture related to chapter/example problem then retake again)
  - Attend SI to review
  - Review with study group to explain which solidifies knowledge

#### Foundations of Biology (BIOL: 1411)

- Conceptual and memorization focused class
- Lectures are fast paced, and it can be helpful to do the readings prior
- Understanding all the processes of the lab experiments is important
- Recommendations
  - Attend SI
  - Understand the vocabulary
  - Complete the practice exams and study the questions you missed
  - Make your own study guide
  - Utilize the textbook: the readings and Learning Curve
  - Use Khan Academy and other resources

#### Diversity of Form and Function

- Heavy material-more understanding than memorizing (more interesting)
- More straightforward than Foundations
- Lectures move very quickly from topic to topic
- When preparing for exams:
  - Reread notes with the lectures pulled up 2-3 times to have good understanding
  - Explaining to someone or to self is very beneficial (vs reading to self is passive way of studying and does not help very often)
  - Searching videos on khan academy regarding confusing material
  - Begin to review material for course at least 4 days before exam
  - Split up different chapters reviewed for each day
  - Last day before exam should be reviewing day- going through all notes and lectures and being able to explain it

#### Calculus for Biological Sciences – MATH:1460

- A math class option for Health and Human Physiology BA and BS majors as well as those on a pre-health track.
- Expectations vs. Reality
  - People would expect that the entire class would consist of fully calculus content. However, the first half of the semester covers review of pre-calculus content, so it's not fully calculus.
  - This class takes place every day of the week in some form, whether it be a lecture or a discussion for that day. So it helps that you gain exposure to the content every day.

#### Recommendations:

- FOR REGISTRATION:
  - Unless math comes very easily to you, do not take this with a heavy course load.
- FOR STUDYING:
  - PRACTICE PROBLEMS! Can't stress this one enough!
  - Make flashcards when trying to memorize certain formulas and concepts
  - Attend SI and/or maybe even invest in a tutor
  - Always do provided review problems
  - Stay on top of homework and content

#### **ELECTIVE COURSES**

#### Physical Activity and Health – HHP:2200

- A required class for both the BA and BS human physiology majors
- Expectations vs. Reality
  - Students tend to assume that it's a super easy class
  - However, it can be a lot more difficult than one would expect
- Very conceptual and memorization-based
- Recommendations:
  - <u>Registration</u>: take this in a semester where you're not taking many memorization-type courses, such as organic chemistry or biochemistry
  - <u>Top 5 Study Tips</u>: keep up with the content and assignments; ALWAYS do the learning objectives; attend SI sessions for this course; do flash cards; create quizzes and/or Kahoots for yourself using the learning objectives

## Writing for Health and Human Physiology – HHP:3900

- An elective course offered for students pursuing Health and Human Physiology BA or Human Physiology BS
- Deviates from science-heavy electives common to the major
- Allows students to create documents necessary for grad school Pre-Health applications
  - Resume, Cover Letter, Personal Statement, etc.
- Workshop heavy class
  - Tip: use your other classmates as resources to fix mistakes!
- Discuss current science news every week!

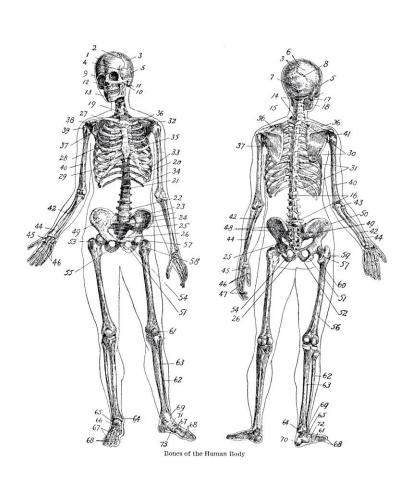


## Human Growth and Motor Development - HHP:3300

- An elective course offered for students pursuing Human Physiology BA or Human Physiology BS
- Covers development from birth to adulthood
- Memorization heavy class
  - Must understand processes as well as application
  - Tip: draw out or create models to help visualize processes
- Especially applicable to careers such a Physical Therapy or Recreational Therapists
  - Class covers development, as well as possible complications

#### Anatomy for Human Physiology - HHP:3105

- Required class for BS majors
- Covers anatomy of all systems of human body
- Lab heavy course!
  - Tip: Go into office hours to get additional practice on identifying structures!
  - Visualize where structures are in relation to other structures
  - Be prepared to interact with real human and animal specimens
- Lab and course content go hand in hand

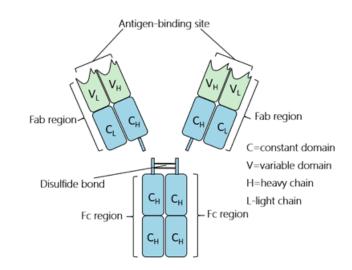


#### Human Physiology- HHP:3550

- A required class for both the BA and BS human physiology majors
  - HHP1300 (BA)
  - HHP3550 (BS)
- Lots of pathways!
  - Understanding of anatomy certainly helps
- Labs are software based
  - Measuring of physiological functions via software system
  - Lab reports reflecting lab and understanding
  - Lots of fun clinically relevant labs toward the end of the semester (measuring BP, blood glucose..)
- Tips
  - Draw when studying (diagrams, tables, charts) to organize information and order
  - Review material prior to lecture (it helps familiarize yourself with upcoming content)
  - Search videos online that guide you through the pathways through animations
  - Try to relate the anatomical structures that correspond to the physiological functions

## Immunology in Health and Disease-HHP:3450

- HHP elective
- Quizzes (6-7 questions/points each)
- Draw when studying!
  - Lots of memorization and "putting things together"
- Expectation: More clinical (diseases and associated symptoms, treatments, etc.)
- Reality: More molecular based
  - Receptors, cytokines, lymphocytes, etc.
  - Clinical correlations here and there but more molecular based
- Tips
  - Draw concepts out
  - YouTube videos help visualize concepts
  - When studying for exams, use "For the Exam You Should Be Able To" slides at the end of each chapter to guide you through the concepts as a way of testing yourself
    - Try not to refer to the notes as much as possible



#### Abnormal Psychology for Health Professions-PSY:2930

- Very clinical :)
  - Causes, treatments, prevalence, statistics, diagnostic criteria ...
  - Tips
    - Take notes as you read the text!
    - Complete quizzes and case studies as you read the corresponding material
    - Fill in study guide as you review for exams; great way of having all of the material in one spot :)
- MindTap= learning software
  - Very engaging and helpful in learning content
  - Lots of points

