

## BZ 101 (ONLINE) HUMANS AND OTHER ANIMALS

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**CREDITS:** 3

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

BZ 101, Humans and Other Animals, is a biology course intended for non-science majors. The DNA molecule is the blueprint of life and it is with this premise that BZ 101 will explore: common life processes, form and function of the human body, evolution and biodiversity. In addition, current and controversial socio-scientific issues, related to course content, will be addressed.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to distinguish basic biological concepts and characteristics that are fundamental to all living organisms. They will have knowledge of typical human body organization and typical organ system functions, and the ability to relate that knowledge to atypical or disease situations. Lastly, students will have skills to recognize evolutionary processes and apply them to the understanding of biodiversity.

### **TEXTBOOK AND CONNECT BIOLOGY:**

The textbook for the course is Inquiry Into Life 16<sup>th</sup> ed, by Mader and Windelspecht. To reduce your course material cost, the CSU bookstore participates in the **Inclusive Access Program**, using McGraw Hill Connect Biology, which will include online homework and access to the full text. **Note:** All enrolled students are automatically included in this program; the cost is \$66.

Connect Biology Access Instructions:

- You will use McGraw's courtesy access for the first 2 weeks.
- Use the following URL to obtain your free trial access:
- <https://connect.mheducation.com/class/k-raines-bz-101-section-801-fall-2020>
- If you (the student) choose to opt out of the program provided by the CSU Bookstore, you must purchase the access code on your own.
- If you choose **not to opt out a code will be emailed to you** which will provide you access to the class materials for the remainder of the semester.
- PLEASE check your email (colostate.edu address), after the free trial access period ends, to get your code.

Opting Out of Inclusive Access

- If you choose an alternate method of access to the online content and homework platform, you must **opt out** of the Inclusive Access program. **To opt out, you will need to follow a link provided, in an email, from the bookstore.**

**ADDITIONAL CLASS MATERIALS:**

Additional materials are delivered online via canvas Colorado State <https://canvas.colostate.edu/>To log into Canvas, you will need your eid.

Canvas is the learning management system at Colorado State University. To get started in canvas, find your BZ 101 course in your canvas courses, open it and click on “start here.”

**METHODS OF EVALUATION:**

**Connect SmartBook Assignments:** 23 (5 points each): **115**

**Exercises** 7 (15 points each): **105**

**Discussions:** 11 (10 points each): **110**

**Exams:** 4 (100 each)-*lowest exam dropped*: **300**

**Final Exam:** **100**

**TOTAL POINTS:** **730 points**

**Exams are closed book and proctored. Information on proctoring is found in module 1 of canvas and at <https://tilt.colostate.edu/testingCenter/csuOnline/>.**

To calculate final course grades the total number of points earned will be divided by total points possible (730). That average will be multiplied by 100 and the grades will be assigned using the following scale:

Grade	Numerical Equivalent
A+	98-100
A	93-97
A-	90-92
B+	87-89
B	83-86
B-	80-82
C+	77-79
C	70-76
D	60-69
F	0-59

**ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:**

This course will adhere to the Colorado State University student conduct code

<https://resolutioncenter.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/32/2018/08/Student-Conduct-Code-v2018.pdf>. At a minimum, violations will result in a grading penalty in this course and a report to the Office of Conflict Resolution and Student Conduct Services.

Academic integrity lies at the core of our common goal: to create an intellectually honest and rigorous community. Because academic integrity, and the personal and social integrity of which academic integrity is an integral part, is so central to our mission as students, teachers, scholars, and citizens, I will ask that you affirm the CSU Honor Pledge as part of completing all of our exams. While you will not be required to affirm the honor pledge, I will ask you to respond to the following statement:

**"I have not given, received, or used any unauthorized assistance."**

