

**Eastern Illinois University**  
**New Course Proposal**  
**BIO 4835, Advanced Neurobiology**

CGS Agenda Item:17-30  
Effective Spring 2018

**Banner/Catalog Information (Coversheet)**

1. **X** New Course or \_\_\_\_ Revision of Existing Course
2. **Course prefix and number:** BIO 4835
3. **Short title:** Advanced Neurobiology
4. **Long title:** Advanced Neurobiology
5. **Hours per week:** 3 Class 0 Lab 3 Credit
6. **Terms:** Fall \_\_\_\_ X Spring \_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_ On demand
7. **Initial term:** \_\_\_\_ Fall \_\_\_\_ X Spring \_\_\_\_ Summer Year: 2018
8. **Catalog course description:** This course will cover advanced topics on molecular, cellular and physiological aspects of brain structure and function during health and diseases.
9. **Course attributes:**

General education component: N/A

\_\_\_\_ Cultural diversity \_\_\_\_ Honors \_\_\_\_ Writing centered \_\_\_\_ Writing intensive \_\_\_\_ Writing active

**10. Instructional delivery**

**Type of Course:**

X Lecture \_\_\_\_ Lab \_\_\_\_ Lecture/lab combined \_\_\_\_ Independent study/research  
\_\_\_\_ Internship \_\_\_\_ Performance \_\_\_\_ Practicum/clinical \_\_\_\_ Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mode(s) of Delivery:**

X Face to Face \_\_\_\_ Online \_\_\_\_ Study Abroad  
\_\_\_\_ Hybrid, specify approximate amount of on-line and face-to-face instruction \_\_\_\_\_

- 11. Course(s) to be deleted from the catalog once this course is approved.** None

- 12. Equivalent course(s):** None

**a. Are students allowed to take equivalent course(s) for credit?** \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

- 13. Prerequisite(s):** BIO 4834

**a. Can prerequisite be taken concurrently?** \_\_\_\_ Yes X No

**b. Minimum grade required for the prerequisite course(s)?** C

**c. Use Banner coding to enforce prerequisite course(s)?** \_\_\_\_ Yes X No

**d. Who may waive prerequisite(s)?**

☐ No one    ☒ Chair    ☒ Instructor    ☐ Advisor    ☐ Other (specify)

**14. Co-requisite(s):**    None

**15. Enrollment restrictions**

**a. Degrees, colleges, majors, levels, classes which may take the course:**    All

**b. Degrees, colleges, majors, levels, classes which may not take the course:** May not have previously taken BIO5460H-001 (CRN#33735) or BIO3960A-003 (CRN#32704). The proposed course is currently being offered as a special topic course for graduate (BIO5460H-001) or undergraduate (BIO3960A-003) credit.

**16. Repeat status:** ☒ May not be repeated    ☐ May be repeated once with credit

**17. Enter the limit, if any, on hours which may be applied to a major or minor:** ☐

**18. Grading methods:**    ☒ Standard    ☐ CR/NC    ☐ Audit    ☐ ABC/NC

**19. Special grading provisions:**    N/A

☐ Grade for course will not count in a student's grade point average.

☐ Grade for course will not count in hours toward graduation.

☐ Grade for course will be removed from GPA if student already has credit for or is registered in:

\_\_\_\_\_

☐ Credit hours for course will be removed from student's hours toward graduation if student already has credit for or is registered in: \_\_\_\_\_

**20. Additional costs to students:**

Supplemental Materials or Software \_\_\_\_\_

Course Fee            ☒ No            ☐ Yes, Explain if yes \_\_\_\_\_

**21. Community college transfer:**

☐ A community college course may be judged equivalent.

☒ A community college may not be judged equivalent.

Note: Upper division credit (3000+) will not be granted for a community college course, even if the content is judged to be equivalent.

## **Rationale, Justifications, and Assurances (Part I)**

1. \_\_\_\_ Course is required for the major(s) of \_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Course is required for the minor(s) of \_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Course is required for the certificate program(s) of \_\_\_\_  
X Course is used as an elective
2. **Rationale for proposal:** In Advanced Neurobiology course, students will explore more deeply into complex topics in neurobiology including movement and its central control, nervous system plasticity, and neurobiology of complex brain functions. The main goal of this course is to prepare students for graduate studies in neurobiology or related fields, professional studies in medical sciences, and careers in the biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, and health care industries.
3. **Justifications for (answer N/A if not applicable)**  
Similarity to other courses: None  
Prerequisites: BIO 4834 (Neurobiology) so that students understand the fundamentals of neurobiology.  
Co-requisites: None  
Enrollment restrictions: May not have previously taken BIO5460H-001 (CRN#33735) or BIO3960A-003 (CRN#32704). The proposed course is currently being offered as a special topic course for graduate (BIO5460H-001) or undergraduate (BIO3960A-003) credit.  
Writing active, intensive, centered: N/A
4. **General education assurances (answer N/A if not applicable)**  
General education component: N/A  
Curriculum: N/A  
Instruction: N/A  
Assessment: N/A
5. **Online/Hybrid delivery justification & assurances (answer N/A if not applicable)**  
Online or hybrid delivery justification: N/A  
Instruction: N/A  
Integrity: N/A  
Interaction: N/A

## **Model Syllabus (Part II)**

### **1. Course Number, Title, Credit Hours**

BIO 4835, Advanced Neurobiology, 3-0-3

### **2. Catalog Description**

This course will cover advanced topics on molecular, cellular and physiological aspects of brain structure and function during health and diseases.

### **3. Learning Objectives (Goals)**

- a. Integrate anatomical structure and physiological function of the nervous system (CT 1-5, GLG 1-2).
- b. Apply knowledge of neuroanatomy and neurophysiology to interpret results, formulate hypotheses, predict the results and discuss and summarize the key neurological findings (CT 6, WR 1-7, RC 1-4, GLG 2-4).
- c. Apply acquired knowledge on the neuroanatomy and neurophysiology in health and diseases (CT 1-6, WR 1-7, QR 1-6, GLG 2-4).

### **4. Course Materials**

Textbook: Purves, D., *et al.*, 2012. Neuroscience, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, Sinauer Publishers.

### **5. Weekly Outline of Content**

**Week 1:** Lower motor neuron circuits and motor control.

**Week 2:** Upper motor neuron control of the brainstem and spinal cord.

**Week 3:** Modulation of movement by the basal ganglia.

**Week 4:** Modulation of movement by the cerebellum.

**Week 5:** Eye movements and sensory motor integration.

**Week 6:** The visceral motor system.

**Week 7:** Early brain development.

**Week 8:** Construction of neural circuits.

**Week 9:** Modification of neural circuits as a result of experience.

**Week 10:** Repair and regeneration in the nervous system.

**Week 11:** Association cortex.

**Week 12:** Neurobiology of learning and memory.

**Week 13:** Neurobiological regulation of Sleep and wakefulness.

**Week 14:** Neurological basis of emotions.

**Week 15:** Neurobiology of sex and sexuality.

**Week 16:** Final Exam

### **6. Evaluation**

Tests	200 points
Homework	50
In Class Discussions	50
Term Papers	100

Final Exam	100
Total	500

Note: Term paper, including literature review: 6 pages for undergraduates, 12 pages for graduate students.

## 7. Grading Scale

90% or more = A; 80-89% = B; 70-79% = C, 65-69% = D; <65% = F

## 8. Correlation of learning objectives to assignments and evaluation

Learning Objectives	Tests, homework, class discussion (60%)	Final Exam (20%)	Term Papers (20%)
Integrate anatomical structure and physiological function of the nervous system (CT 1-5, GLG 1-2).	X	X	X
Apply knowledge of neuroanatomy and neurophysiology to interpret results, formulate hypotheses, predict the results and discuss and summarize the key neurological findings (CT 6, WR 1-7, RC 1-4, GLG 2-4).	X	X	X
Apply acquired knowledge on the neuroanatomy and neurophysiology in health and diseases (CT 1-6, WR 1-7, QR 1-6, GLG 2-4).	X	X	X

**Date approved by the department or school: February 21, 2017**

**Date approved by the college curriculum committee: February 24, 2017**

**Date approved by the Honors Council (*if this is an honors course*):**

**Date approved by CAA: March 9, 2017 CGS:**