

Interdisciplinary Seminars in Reproduction and Production Medicine

VME6934 Section: 17843

Class Periods: Fridays, 1-1:50pm

Location: Paul Nicoletti Conference Room, Deriso Hall Room 101 +/- Zoom

Academic Term: Spring 2024

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Course Description

1 credit seminar course consisting of research seminars on selected topics in livestock reproduction and production medicine. The purpose of the course is to provide an interdisciplinary venue for faculty, residents and graduate students from LACS and Animal Sciences to discuss current research and related topics. Graduate students enrolled for credit are expected to attend all seminars, participate in discussion, and to prepare and present one seminar.

Course Pre-Requisites / Co-Requisites

Graduate student in CVM / Animal Sciences

Course Objectives

Objectives are to provide experience in preparing and delivering a seminar in a supportive environment, encourage critical thinking and communication skills through an environment that fosters scientific discussion on topics in livestock reproduction and production medicine.

Course Schedule

Seminars (n=8) will be on Fridays from 1:00 pm to 1:50pm. The list of dates, speakers and topics will be provided to enrolled students.

Attendance Policy, Class Expectations, and Make-Up Policy

Course expectations are that students prepare and deliver a ~40-45 minute research seminar and answer discussion questions related to their work; attend all other seminars in the course and actively participate in discussion at all seminars. Attendance is required and will be monitored by the course coordinator. If a student must miss a seminar they will be required to watch the seminar recording and then to complete an in-person discussion session with the course instructor. Excused absences must be consistent with university policies in the [Graduate Catalog](#) and require appropriate documentation. Additional information can be found in [Attendance Policies](#).

Evaluation of Grades

Assignment	Percentage of Final Grade
Attendance	40%
Active participation	25%
Seminar preparation and presentation	35%
	100%

Grading Policy

Percent	Grade	Grade Points
90.0 - 100.0	A	4.00
87.0 - 89.9	A-	3.67
84.0 - 86.9	B+	3.33
81.0 - 83.9	B	3.00
78.0 - 80.9	B-	2.67
75.0 - 79.9	C+	2.33
72.0 - 74.9	C	2.00
69.0 - 71.9	C-	1.67
66.0 - 68.9	D+	1.33
63.0 - 65.9	D	1.00
60.0 - 62.9	D-	0.67
0 - 59.9	E	0.00

More information on UF grading policy may be found at:

[UF Graduate Catalog](#)
[Grades and Grading Policies](#)

Students Requiring Accommodations

Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the [Disability Resource Center](#). It is important for students to share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs, as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. [Click here for guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner](#). Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via ufl.bluera.com/ufl/. [Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students here](#).

University Honesty Policy

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." [The Honor Code](#) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

Software Use

All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate. We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to uphold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

Student Privacy

There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see the [Notification to Students of FERPA Rights](#).

Campus Resources:

Health and Wellness

U Matter, We Care:

If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu or 352 392-1575 so that a team member can reach out to the student.

Counseling and Wellness Center: counseling.ufl.edu/cwc, and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)

Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

University Police Department at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or police.ufl.edu.

Academic Resources

E-learning technical support, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu.

Career Resource Center, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling.

Library Support, Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.

Writing Studio, 302 Tigert Hall, 846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers.

Student Complaints Campus

On-Line Students Complaints