REGISTRATION INFO FOR BIOL 101-104

This will be the sixth year of the BIOL 101-104 Foundations in Biology course series. The sequence, which must be taken in order, is made up of half-semester modules that are paired in a given term:

- BIOL 101 – Biochemistry and Biophysics & BIOL 102 – Cell Biology
- BIOL 103 – Genetics and Development & BIOL 104 – Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

The foundational sequence is required for all students majoring in Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry (MB&B), Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology (MCDB), Ecology & Evolutionary Biology (E&EB) and Neuroscience (NSCI). It is recommended for pre-med students.

Online Placement Exams: The online placement exams closed on August 21st, 2016. We will let students know their place-out status prior to the start of the first day of class. We recommend that even those students who place out still consider taking the full set of modules.

Enrollment Cap: Each module is taught in both Fall and Spring terms. The Fall BIOL 101 & 102 modules will be capped at 260 students. First priority will be given to students of sophomore standing or higher. The remaining seats will be distributed to first-year students via a lottery system. There will not be a cap on enrollment for BIOL 101 & 102 in Spring 2018.

Registration Information: All students interested in taking BIOL 101/102 this Fall 2017 term must sign up for a discussion section using Preference Selection, regardless of class standing. Students must sign up for a discussion section via Preference Selection sites for both BIOL 101 and 102, through two separate preference selection sites, which can be accessed using the following links:

- BIOL 101 (F17): https://students.yale.edu/ocs-preference/select/select?id=15793
- BIOL 102 (F17): https://students.yale.edu/ocs-preference/select/select?id=15796

Both sites will be open until Thursday, August 31st @ 11:00 a.m. Students will be asked to rank their top 5 section preferences, and must rank sections in the same order for both BIOL 101 and BIOL 102 if you want to take both modules. If you miss the Preference Selection sign-up window, you may not be able to take BIOL 101/102 this Fall term.

By Friday, September 1st @ 9:00 a.m., students will be notified if they have received a seat or not through preference selection. BIOL 101/102 discussion section seats assigned via the Preference Selection system will be added directly to their OCS worksheet. If students remove the seat that has been assigned, it will be forfeited and students will not be guaranteed a seat in a different discussion section. At this time, open selection will also be made available to students to fill in any remaining empty spots.

Course Canvas Websites: To access course materials, please join the Canvas sites for BIOL 101 and 102 directly as a shopper. While syllabus information is available through OCS, there are important documents and announcements posted on the Canvas sites for each course that you may find useful (particularly in the “Resources” folder for BIOL 101).

We welcome you to join us for the 1st lecture for BIOL 101, which will likely be held in SSS 114 on Wednesday, August 30th at 11:35am. Please make sure to check OCS for a confirmed location. The 2nd lecture for BIOL 101 will be held on Friday, September 1st. Once the enrollment cap is in place and onward, only students who have been assigned a seat in a discussion section should plan to attend.