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Course Objectives: The overall objective of F&N 290H is to define the requirements for graduation with honors from the Department of Foods and Nutrition and help students initiate their honors project. At the end of the semester, students will:

- Know the requirements for graduation with honors from F&N.
- Have specific goals for completion of their Honors Project in F&N.
- Understand the benefits of graduating with honors.
- Have a broad knowledge of research currently being done in F&N.
- Have met multiple faculty interested in serving as mentors for students pursuing Honors Projects in F&N.
- Know how to search for and obtain research articles relevant to their Honors Project.
- Know how to appropriately cite research articles.
- Have an introduction to the scientific method and research ethics.

Course Projects: There are four major projects to be completed during the semester.

- Project 1: Introductions of Guest Faculty Presenters
- Project 2: Presentation of Research Article
- Project 3: Meet Individually with Potential Faculty Mentors
- Project 4: Written Goal Statement for Completion of Honors Project

All projects will be graded on a Pass/No Pass scale. You must Pass all projects to earn an A in the course. For each project that receives a No Pass, your course grade will decrease by one letter grade.
Attendance required.
You may miss only one class and still earn an A.
Two unexcused absences – B
Three unexcused absences – C
Four unexcused absences – D
Five unexcused absences - F

Schedule:
August
24  Before Class:  Read CFS Honors Program Guidelines
     In Class:  Foods and Nutrition, Kim Buhman - Discussion of Course Objectives, Course Projects, and CFS Honors Program
31  In Class:  Discussion of HOW to complete an Honors Thesis
                 Guests:  Past Honors Students, Corrie Whisner and Catherine Pinkston

September
7  NO CLASS – Labor Day
14  Before Class:
    1.  View Publication Cycle & Scientific Research on Tutorials website
        http://www.lib.purdue.edu/rguides/biotutorials/
    2.  Read  Experimental Design and Critical Interpretation of Research
     In Class:  Foods and Nutrition, Kim Buhman - Scientific Method and Types of Research
21  Before Class:  View Getting Started and Basic Search Strategies on Tutorials website
                 http://www.lib.purdue.edu/rguides/biotutorials/
     In Class:  Purdue Libraries, Maribeth Slebodnik – Focus on Google™ vs Library Databases MEET IN STON B0006
28  Before Class:  View Advanced Search Strategies and Evaluating Information on Tutorials website
                 http://www.lib.purdue.edu/rguides/biotutorials/
     In Class:  Purdue Libraries, Maribeth Slebodnik – Focus on Nutrition Relevant Library Database Searching MEET IN STON B0006

October
5  Before Class:  View Using Creating Citations on Tutorials website
                 http://www.lib.purdue.edu/rguides/biotutorials/
     In Class:  Purdue Libraries, Maribeth Slebodnik – Citations and Open Lab Time for Searching  MEET IN STON B0006
12  NO CLASS - October Break
19  Faculty Research Presentation:  Dr. Dennis Savaiano, Dr. Rick Mattes
     DUE:  Project 2:  Research Article for Presentation
26  Faculty Research Presentation:  Dr. Connie Weaver, Dr. Carol Boushey

November
2  Faculty Research Presentation:  Dr. Wayne Campbell, Dr. Kim Buhman
9  Faculty Research Presentation:  Dr. Elsa Janle
    Project 2: Presentation of Research Article: (1, 10 -15 minutes each)
16  Project 2: Presentation of Research Article: (3, 10 -15 minutes each)
23  Faculty Research Presentation:  Dr. Jay Burgess
    Project 2: Presentation of Research Article: (2, 10 -15 minutes each)
30  Project 2: Presentation of Research Article: (3, 10 -15 minutes each)
December 7  Project 2: Presentation of Research Article: (3, 10 -15 minutes each)

**DUE:**
- **Project 3:** Meet Individually with Potential Faculty Mentors
- **Project 4:** Written Goal Statement for Completion of Honors Project

Final Exam Period December 14-19  NO EXAM

**Course and Instructor Evaluation:** During the last two weeks of the semester, you will be provided an opportunity to evaluate this course and your instructor(s). To this end, Purdue has transitioned to online course evaluations. On Monday of the fifteenth week of classes, you will receive an official email from evaluation administrators with a link to the online evaluation site. You will have two weeks to complete this evaluation. Your participation in this evaluation is an integral part of this course. Your feedback is vital to improving education at Purdue University. I strongly urge you to participate in the evaluation system.