

# **Course Syllabus**

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
BISC-594I	Thesis II – Immunology	22.5
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
BISC-593I	Life Sciences	Fall/Spring
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Concentration Immunology	Biomedical Sciences	English
Level of Course	<b>Lecturer(s)</b> Dr. Christos Papaneophytou	Year of Study
2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle	Dr. Vicky Nicolaidou & Assigned Supervisor	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Co-requisites
Face to face	N/A	None

## **Course Objectives:**

The main objectives of the course are for the students to be able to:

- Design and carry out an independent research project
- Critically review relevant literature
- Develop a research hypothesis/question, aims, and objectives
- Collect, analyze, and interpret quantitative and/or qualitative data
- Communicate their findings in writing
- Defend their results orally in a scientific manner

## **Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of the course, students are expected to be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate the procedures and practices of scientific research.
- 2. Apply skills to search the literature and evaluate published scientific findings.
- 3. Formulate a research hypothesis/question and compare published specific research approaches and methodologies to design experiments and test the research hypothesis.
- 4. Formulate aims and objectives relevant to their project and manageable within the time and resource limits available.
- 5. Plan and carry out independent research.
- 6. Measure and record data (quantitative and/or qualitative), appraise, critically evaluate and interpret results and evaluate these based on published literature.
- 7. Write and orally communicate and debate the outcome of the research project in a scientific



and professional manner.

8. Apply moral and ethical issues in research contact and research reporting.

#### **Course Content:**

Upon approval of the proposal during the first part of the course (BISC-593 I/H Project I), the student is expected to begin the execution of their project as early as possible and no later than the beginning of the term, with a completion date of the last week of the term. The execution of the research project will require a more independent nature of work based on student responsibility and initiative and on discussions with the assigned supervisor.

## **Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Independent laboratory or field research on an assigned project; Literature searches. One-to-one discussions and reviews of results and progress made with an assigned supervisor. Writing of a final research report. Frequently progress and support meetings with the course lead

#### **Assessment Methods:**

Written thesis, Thesis Presentation

## Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN			
Literature relevant to the Thesis topic (as guided by the supervisor)							



## **Recommended Textbooks/Reading:**

Title	Author	Publisher	Year	ISBN		
Introduction to research methods: a practical guide for anyone undertaking a research project	Catherine Dawson	Robinson	2019	9781408711040 (ebook) 9781408711057 (paperback)		
A Survival Guide for Health Research Methods	Tracy Ross	McGraw-Hill Education	2012	Available from: ProQuest Ebook Central		
Exploring Research	Neil Salkind	Pearson	2018	1292156309 (ebook) 9781292156309 (ebook)		
Cite It Right: The SourceAid Guide to Citation, Research, and Avoiding Plagiarism (Paperback)	Julia Johns, Sarah Keller	SourceAid, LLC;	2nd edition (September 1, 2005)	ISBN: 0977195708		
Or the latest edition of the above-mentioned books.						

Updated scientific articles (primary and secondary) based on the project