

## **BIOL-UA.32 Gene Structure and Function**

**Instructor:**

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**Course Description:**

An intermediate course on the molecular basis of gene function in viruses, prokaryotes, and eukaryotes. Covers topics drawn from the following areas or other current work: DNA and Chromatin Structure; Viruses: Lambda Phage and Retroviruses including HIV; Carcinogenesis; Environmental Pollutants and DNA Damage; DNA Repair; DNA Polymerase Structure and Function. The molecular basis of drug design is emphasized throughout the course in relation to all topics discussed.

**Pre-requisite:**

Molecular and Cell Biology (BIOL-UA 21).

**Textbook and Required Materials:**

N/A

**Grading:**

Exam 1	30%
Exam 2	35%
Final Exam	35%

**Topics:**

DNA and Chromatin Structure  
Viruses  
Lambda Phage  
Retroviruses  
HIV  
Carcinogenesis  
DNA Repair  
Drug Design  
Peptide Nucleic Acids  
DNA Polymerase Structure and Function  
Environmental Pollutants and DNA Damage  
Special Topics