

Virginia State University  
Department of Biology  
Course Syllabus: Spring 2004

**BIOL 316 – Human Physiology**

(Lecture: 3 semester hours)  
204 LB, MWF 11-11:50pm

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**Course description:**

A (non-laboratory) introductory study of the human system at work and the ways and means by which various functions are integrated into a living unit. Levels of study range from molecules to organs and organ systems. Subject areas include chemical basis of life, cells, tissues and major systems of the human body (muscular, skeletal, nervous, circulatory, immune, digestive, respiratory, urinary reproductive). It is expected that this course will give students a knowledge of and appreciation for the function of the human body.

**Text:** **Hole's Essentials of Human Anatomy and Physiology.** Shier, Butler and Lewis, Eighth edition, 2003, McGraw-Hill

**Evaluation:**

Tests – There will be four lecture tests during the semester each worth 100 points and a final comprehensive exam giving during the final exam period also worth 100 points. Students are required to take all tests. Each test will consist of both multiple-choice questions and short answer written questions. Makeup exams will be given only in exceptional circumstances and will be written in format.

Research Paper – Each student will prepare an original library research paper on an approved topic. The paper and presentation will be worth a possible 100 points. The body of the paper will be at least 4 pages typed (double-spaced).

Grade calculation: Grades will be determined from the five tests (500 total points) and research paper (100 total points) scores. Scale: 100-90% A; 89-80% B; 79-70% C; 69-60% D; below 60% F

**Expectations:**

It is expected that students will attend classes regularly, be punctual and attentive. Students should plan on at least three hours of studying outside of class for each lecture period. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. Cell phones and other devices are to be turned off in class. Cheating will result in a score of zero for a test and will be reported.