

### Course Outline

Course: Gr 11 Science				
Grade: 11	Type: UCMOE	Credit Value: 1 Credit hours: 110	Course code:SBI3U Dept: Science	
Teacher: Emily Landsborough		Development date: Aug. 2020		
Course Reviser: J.F. Michaud Date: September 2020		Prerequisites: Science SNC2D Grade 10, Academic		

Resources Required: electronic device with internet access

**Text book:** none required

Supplementary resources: Nelson, Biology 11U

### **Ministry Curriculum Documents:**

- The Ontario Curriculum Grades 11 and 12 Science
   Growing Success Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting in Ontario Schools-2010
- Learning for All A Guide to Effective Assessment and Instruction for All Students, Kindergarten to Grade 12, 2001
- Environmental Education: Scope and Sequence of Expectations, 2017
- Course Descriptions and Prerequisites, Grades 9 to 12, 2018
- Equity and Inclusive Education in Ontario Schools: Guidelines for Policy Development and Implementation
- Financial Literacy: Scope and Sequence of Expectations, Grades 9-12, 2016
- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Connections Scope and Sequence of Expectations, 2016
- Health and Safety: Scope and Sequence of Expectations, Grades 9–12, 2017

### Course Description

This course furthers students' understanding of the processes that occur in biological systems. Students will study theory and conduct investigations in the areas of biodiversity; evolution; genetic processes; the structure and function of animals; and the anatomy, growth, and function of plants. The course focuses on the theoretical aspects of the topics under study, and helps students refine skills related to scientific investigation.

### **Overall Expectations**

By the end of this course, students will:

- A1. demonstrate scientific investigation skills (related to both inquiry and research) in the four areas of skills (initiating and planning, performing and recording, analysing and interpreting, and communicating);
- A2. identify and describe careers related to the fields of science under study, and describe the contributions of scientists, including Canadians, to those fields.
- B1. analyse the effects of various human activities on the diversity of living things;
- B2. investigate, through laboratory and/or field activities or through simulations, the principles of scientific classification, using appropriate sampling and classification techniques;
- B3. demonstrate an understanding of the diversity of living organisms in terms of the principles of taxonomy and phylogeny
- C1. analyse the economic and environmental advantages and disadvantages of an artificial selection technology, and evaluate the impact of environmental changes on natural selection and endangered species;
- C2. investigate evolutionary processes, and analyse scientific evidence that supports the theory of evolution;
- C3. demonstrate an understanding of the theory of evolution, the evidence that supports it, and some of the mechanisms by which it occurs.
- D1. evaluate the importance of some recent contributions to our knowledge of genetic processes, and analyse social and ethical implications of genetic and genomic research;
- D2. investigate genetic processes, including those that occur during meiosis, and analyse data to solve basic genetics problems involving monohybrid and dihybrid crosses;
- D3. demonstrate an understanding of concepts, processes, and technologies related to the transmission of hereditary characteristics.
- E1. analyse the relationships between changing societal needs, technological advances, and our understanding of internal systems of humans;
- E2. investigate, through laboratory inquiry or computer simulation, the functional responses of the respiratory and circulatory systems of animals, and the relationships between their respiratory, circulatory, and digestive systems;



- E3. demonstrate an understanding of animal anatomy and physiology, and describe disorders of the respiratory, circulatory, and digestive systems.
- F1. evaluate the importance of sustainable use of plants to Canadian society and other cultures;
- F2. investigate the structures and functions of plant tissues, and factors affecting plant growth;
- F3. demonstrate an understanding of the diversity of vascular plants, including their structures, internal transport systems, and their role in maintaining biodiversity.

### Outline of course content:

Unit: 1 Scientific Investigation Skills and Career Exploration	Hours: 6.5
Unit: 2 Diversity of Living Things	Hours: 24
Unit: 3 Evolution	Hours: 12
Unit: 4 Genetic Processes	Hours: 20
Unit: 5 Animals: Structure and Function	Hours: 24
Unit: 6 Plants: Anatomy, Growth, and Function	Hours: 22
Exam	Hours: 1.5
	Total hours:110

### All components of the course are delivered online

## Mark reporting

Student marks will be posted online so that parents and students can see student progress and current marks through a secure reporting software.

### Mark breakdown

Evaluations Throughout the course: 70% of final grade

Final Evaluation: 30% of final grade

The term work and Exam will be broken down in the following skill Categories:

Knowledge and Understanding 30%
Thinking 20%
Communication 20%
Application 30%

The activities completed during the course will account for the following percentages:

Assignments	22%
Quizzes	15%
Tests	23%
Exam	30%



### **Achievement levels**

Level 1 50-59% Level 2 0	60-69% Level 3 70-79%	Level 80-100%
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### **Teaching and Learning Strategies**

Teachers use a variety of teaching strategies to maximize student learning. The following teaching strategies will be used in this course:

Teacher will utilize instruction that both responds to the characteristics of a diverse group of students and is precisely tailored to the unique strengths and needs of each student can be achieved using the principles and guidelines associated with three instructional approaches:

- 1) Universal Design for Learning (UDL),
- 2) differentiated instruction, and
- 3) the tiered approach to prevention and intervention. (Learning for All, Kindergarten to Grade 12: For more info please see http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/general/elemsec/speced/LearningforAll2013.pdf)

What are UDL-aligned strategies? https://goalbookapp.com/toolkit/strategies

- UDL-aligned strategies are instructional methods and tools used by teachers to ensure that ALL students have an equal opportunity to learn. All of our strategies are aligned with Universal Design for Learning (UDL) guidelines. These guidelines help you to select strategies that remove barriers in instruction so that all students can achieve their learning goals.
- Differentiated Instruction is based on the idea that because students differ significantly in their interests, learning styles, and readiness to learn, it is necessary to adapt instruction to suit these differing characteristics. Teachers can differentiate one or a number of the following elements in any classroom learning situation (Tomlinson, 2004): the content of learning (what students are going to learn, and when); the process of learning (the types of tasks and activities); the products of learning (the ways in which students demonstrate learning); the affect/environment of learning (the context and environment in which students learn and demonstrate learning). (http://edugains.ca/newsite/di/index.html)

Teaching and learning strategies adopted should be appropriate to the course type and should reflect an appropriate balance of theoretical components, practical applications for the course and appropriate to the range of student learning.

Helping students become self-directed.

In order to address the unique learning styles of students in this course, a variety of activities and learning experiences should be offered, including, but not restricted to: questioning, demonstrations, role-plays, simulations, co-operative group learning, brainstorming, discussion, peer coaching, interviewing, reflective writing, reflective thinking exercises, concept mapping, reading, tutoring, direct instruction, one-on-one teaching, and experiential learning.

Teachers will find ways throughout the course for students to make authentic learning connections with their other courses, the school, local community and the world at large. **Examples of teaching strategies:** 

- Brainstorming
- · Be the teacher
- Case Studies
- Computer technology reports, spreadsheets, flow charts, data bases, electronic presentation;
- Conferences
- Documentaries/Videos /Ted Talks/Video critique
- Flexible Grouping
- Focus Groups—Informal discussions based on focus questions
- Formal Debates/Informal debates
- Graphic Organizers
- Group critique
- Group Discussions
- Independent Study
- Informal Debates
- Internet Based Research/Investigation
- Interview
- Investigative and inquiry questions

- Media Presentation
- Peer feedback
- Planning and writing analytical pieces of work
- Provide specialized vocabulary
- · Reading: read for meaning
- Reading: to develop the ability to use specialized

vocabulary

- · Research Project -individual
- Research Project-group
- Role-play
- Seminar
- Skype interviews
- Socratic Teaching
- Structured discussion
- Think-Pair Share
- UDL-Aligned Strategies (see

https://goalbookapp.com/toolkit/strategies)

Write or give a personal perspective in discussions

# Assessment & Evaluation of Student Performance Assessment & Evaluation

The primary purpose of assessment and evaluation is to improve student learning and to help students assume responsibility for their learning.

Mid-term and final marks are determined through evaluations or Assessments of Learning, which typically occur towards the end of a unit and end of the term. During the learning process, information about a student's learning is gathered and used by the teacher and student to inform decisions that affect goal setting and teaching in the



classroom. The data gathered as Assessment as Learning and Assessment for Learning do not carry a mark weight, but do play a crucial role in student success as they help inform the teacher about each student's progress. All types of assessments allow teachers to provide descriptive feedback that is clear, specific, meaningful, and timely to support improved learning and achievement.

Learning Skills and Work Habits (responsibility, organization, independent work, collaboration, initiative, self-regulation) will be reported by a letter (E = Excellent, G = Good, S = Satisfactory, N = Needs Improvement). These skills and habits support a high level of success in meeting the course expectations in addition to contributing to the development of positive life and work skills for the future.

Assessment as Learning	Assessment for Learning	
Student Product  Entrance tickets  Graphic organizers-KWL  Journal  Peer assessment  Peer editing checklist  Pre-tests/Diagnostic tests  Quizzes  Reflections  Rough drafts  Self assessment  Self-proofreading using a checklist  Practical task	Student Product  3-Minute Pause Assignments Diagnostic Assessment Exit tickets Graphic organizers Homework Journals/Letters/Emails Know, WonderLearn (KWL) Learning Logs Presentation (PPT/Prezi) Problem solving Quiz/problem solving Vocabulary notebook Project Practical task	
<ul> <li>Observation</li> <li>Checklist/Feedback for group discussion</li> <li>Peer rating on presentations</li> <li>Teacher anecdotal feedback</li> <li>Teacher feedback for a task</li> <li>Teacher rating for a task</li> <li>Whole class discussion</li> </ul>	Observation     Class discussions     Demonstrations     Informal debate     Performance tasks     Presentations     Role Play	
Conversation     Student teacher conversations     Questioning	Conversation     Brainstorming     Debate	



- Moderated group discussions
- Peer-Oral feedback

- Focused Conversations
- Oral pre-tests
- Oral quizzes
- Interviews
- Pair work
- Group work
- Portfolio conferencing
- Student teacher conferences

### **Considerations for Program Planning**

- Individual Education Plan: Accommodations to meet the needs of exceptional students as set out in their Individual Education Plan will be implemented within the classroom program. Additional assistance is available through tutoring.
- The Role of Technology in the Curriculum. Using information technology will assist students in the achievement of many of the expectations in the curriculum regarding research, written work, analysis of information, and visual presentations.
- English As a Second Language (ESL): Appropriate accommodations in teaching, learning, and evaluation strategies will be made to help ESL students gain proficiency in English.
- Programs will involve an open, collaborative, activity-based approach to teaching that accommodates students' interests, aspirations, and learning styles. Activities will be designed to include both individual and team approaches, with emphasis on equity and inclusive education, financial literacy, careers, and health and safety.

## **Program Planning Characteristics**

- knowledge and skilled based
- developmentally appropriate to the learner
- inquiry based
- holistic, taking the whole student attributes such as cognitive, emotional, social and physical.
- transformational, helping students grow and reach their potential
- inclusive, engaging all students
- differentiated to meet students learning and motivational needs
- well documented, information shared on an ongoing basis with students and parents



### **Technological Devices:**

Any device with windows 8 or newer will work on the software used for all courses.

For Online courses Electronic devices are necessary to access the course content and lessons. However, it is strongly recommended that students use other means such as paper and pencil when comprehension skills are required.

CWEC supports the use of technology to enhance learning, but the use of such electronic technology in the classroom is at the discretion of the teacher. Working together we can ensure the appropriate use of technology by all members of our school community.