**Perspectives in Composition and Life Sciences (WSU 2180)**

Syllabus

Credits: 3-6

**Course Description**: This course will address ...

**Text**:

**Grading**:

**Student Learning Outcomes**:

This general education course will meet the learning outcomes for Composition and Life Sciences. Specifically a student completing this course will demonstrate an understanding of:

1. Reading
   1. Describe complex ideas, positions, and perspectives
   2. Demonstrate an understanding of an individual text’s meaning and the broader conversation in which that text is taking part
   3. Read a variety of textual genres and styles
2. Rhetoric
   1. Use technologies and language appropriate to purpose and audience
3. Working with Sources
   1. Identify connections between texts and among related ideas
   2. Cite sources accurately
   3. Summarize, paraphrase, and use quotations appropriately
   4. Use sources appropriate to the project
   5. Use sources to make arguments
4. Writing
   1. Compose writing assignments with a clear thesis or point
   2. Compose writing that is structurally and thematically coherent and unified
   3. Use appropriate syntax, grammar and spelling

Furthermore, a student will demonstrate an understanding of the following characteristics of life:

1. Levels of organization: All life shares an organization that is based on molecules and cells and extends to organisms and ecosystems.
2. Metabolism and homeostasis: Living things obtain and use energy, and maintain homeostasis via organized chemical reactions known as metabolism.
3. Genetics and evolution: Shared genetic processes and evolution by natural selection are universal features of all life.
4. Ecological interactions: All organisms, including humans, interact with their environment and other living organisms.