

**DEPARTMENT OF GREEK AND ROMAN STUDIES**  
**COURSE OUTLINE**  
**GRST 211 TECHNICAL TERMS OF MEDICINE & LIFE SCIENCES**  
**(INTERNET BASED COURSE WITH ON-CAMPUS, PAPER FINAL EXAM)**  
**Spring 2012: May 9 - June 22, 2012**

INSTRUCTOR: Bryan Natali

TIME AND PLACE OF CLASS: Internet – <http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/>

FINAL EXAM: In-Class, On-Campus Paper Exam Scheduled by the Registrar's Office.

OFFICE HOURS: By Email

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

**\*\* FINAL EXAM FORMAT:**

- **The Final Exam IS NOT ONLINE**
- **The Final Exam will be an in-class, Registrar scheduled paper final exam at the University of Calgary (UofC Qatar Campus for students in Qatar)**
- **No cheat sheets or notes will be allowed in the Final Exam.**
- FINAL EXAM PERIOD: June 25-27, 2012 (Your Final Exam will be scheduled on one of these days).
- You must be available to write the Final Exam on campus.
- If you have a conflict, please see the Registrar's Exam Website for information on Final Exam Deferrals. The deadline to apply for a Final Exam Deferral is June 29, 2012. The Deferred Final Exam period is July 13-14, 2012.
- **Please refer to: [http://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/deferred\\_final](http://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/deferred_final) for important information about eligibility criteria for deferred exams**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

GRST 211 is an Internet course **WITH AN IN-CLASS, ON-CAMPUS, REGISTRAR SCHEDULED FINAL EXAM.** It is offered on Blackboard (<http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/>). The primary goal of this course is to equip students with the skills necessary to comprehend, acquire, and retain medical and scientific vocabulary derived from Greek and Latin.

- The course will be particularly useful to students in medicine and the sciences, where a large percentage of the terminology and jargon has a Classical origin.
- Students will be learning:
  - Greek and Latin words and word elements (prefixes, bases, and suffixes)
  - English words and definitions derived from these

- How Greek and Latin words and word elements are used both in scientific terminology and in everyday, non-technical vocabulary
- **Course Objectives:**
  1. Students will know the definitions of the Greek and Latin bases, prefixes, and suffixes used to create scientific and medical words.
  2. Students will understand and be able to apply word formation rules.
  3. By combining 1 and 2 above, students will be able to construct and deconstruct new medical and scientific words as they encounter them.

**BLACKBOARD (Bb):**

This course is offered through Blackboard (Bb) <http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca>. If you are unclear on Blackboard, please contact Information Technologies (403-220-5555 or <http://www.ucalgary.ca/it/>).

**COURSE DURATION AND MATERIAL:**

- The duration of this course is seven (7) weeks.
- This course will cover all of Ayers' *Bioscientific Terminology* (40 Chapters).
- Please note that the Blackboard site will not provide the actual text of Ayers. Rather the site will provide you with the following (and more):
  - Practice exercises with answers for each lesson of Ayers (not for grades)
  - Notes on word formation and other Course Notes
  - Regular practice quizzes (not for grades)
- Quizzes and the midterm exam will take place on the Blackboard site. See below for exam schedule.

**SUGGESTED READING SCHEDULE:** You should start reading as soon as possible in preparation for your first quiz (see schedule, below).

- Week 1: May 9-13: Ayers, Lessons 1-6
- Week 2: May 14-20: Ayers, Lessons 7-12
- Weeks 3: May 21-May 27: Ayers, Lessons 13-20
- Weeks 4-5: May 28-June 10: Ayers, Lessons 21-30
- Week 6-7: June 11 - June 22: Lessons 31-40

**REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:**

- Donald M. Ayers, *BioScientific Terminology: Words from Latin and Greek Stems* (University of Arizona Press, 1972. A blue and yellow paperback).

**SUGGESTED BOOKS:**

- Stedman’s *Concise Medical Dictionary* (or a similar medical dictionary with word origin information).
- It is suggested that students who do not own a good, comprehensive English dictionary (with word origin information) acquire one (various editions and sizes of the Oxford English Dictionary for example).

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- 3 Quizzes – each worth 10 % of Final grade for a total of 30% (Each Quiz will consist of 25 questions)
- 1 Midterm Exam – 25% of Final grade (The Midterm will consist of 50 questions)
- 1 Final Exam – 45% of Final Grade (The Final Exam will consist of 100 questions) and will be scheduled by the registrar during the final exam period.

**GRADING SCALE:** Any grade of .4% and below will be rounded down and any grade of .5% and above will be rounded up. Grades are calculated to one decimal place. There is no curving.

A+ = 94.5%-100%    A = 89.5-94.4%    A- = 84.5%-89.4%    B+ = 79.5% - 84.4%  
B = 74.5%-79.4%    B- = 69.5%-74.4%    C+ = 66.5%-69.4%    C = 62.5%-66.4%  
C- = 59.5%-62.4%    D+ = 54.5%-59.4%    D = 50.0-54.4%    F= 49.9% and below

**POLICIES AND NOTES (Please see Bb for more information on other Exam Regulations):**

1. **The making up of missed examinations will not be granted without prior notification, and only in cases of medical reasons certified by a medical doctor.** Please note that the deadline for applying for a deferred final exam is **June 29, 2012** and the appeal must be made to the Dean of Arts. For more see the University Calendar (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-6.html>).
- Please contact me well in advance if there is a conflict so we can make alternative arrangements.
  - NOTE: The information and regulations regarding exams is posted on Blackboard under “Quizzes and Exams.” Please read this carefully in advance of the first quiz.

2. Please note the following dates for Spring Session 2012:

- Last day to register or change registration: Monday, May 14, 2012.
- No fee refunds after this date: Monday, May 14, 2012.
- Last day to withdraw: Friday, June 22, 2012.
- Spring Term Final Examination Period: June 25-27, 2012.

3. Students should observe the regulations on Student Misconduct (Plagiarism, Cheating, Etc.) in the University of Calgary Calendar. STUDENTS SHOULD OBSERVE THE REGULATIONS ON "STUDENT MISCONDUCT" (PLAGIARISM, CHEATING, ETC.) WHICH CAN BE FOUND IN SECTION K OF THE ONLINE VERSION OF THE 2011-2012 UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY CALENDAR (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>).

4. Students must pass the Final Exam in order to pass the course.

5. Disabilities: It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. For more information visit the Disability Resource Centre's website - <http://www.ucalgary.ca/drc>.

### **EXAMINATION SCHEDULE and INFORMATION:**

**IT IS THE STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO BE AWARE OF AND ADHERE TO THE SCHEDULED ONLINE EXAMINATION DATES AND THE REGISTRAR SCHEDULED FINAL EXAM DATE.**

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You may log in at any time during the exam day (after the start time and before the end time) to write. Please notify me if you have a conflict with the day of the exams. Since this is an Internet course, I can make the exams available at alternate dates if there is a valid conflict.

Exam	Value (% of Final Grade)	Date	Running Time of Exam	Material
Quiz 1	10%	May 15-16, 2012	9:00 am, May 15 to 10:00 pm May 16	Ayers, Lessons 1-6
Quiz 2	10%	May 22-23, 2012	9:00 am, May 22 to 10:00 pm May 23	Ayers, up to Lesson 12
Midterm Exam	25%	June 5 – June 6, 2012	9:00 am, June 5 to 10:00 pm June 6	Ayers, Lessons 1-20 inclusive
Quiz 3	10%	June 12-13, 2012	9:00 am, June 12 to 10:00 pm June 13	Ayers, up to Lesson 30
Final Exam	45%	<b>TO BE SCHEDULED BY REGISTRAR</b>	<b>2 HOURS,</b>	Ayers, Lessons 1-40 inclusive

- All Quizzes and the Midterm exam will be done on the Blackboard site on the appointed day(s) from a computer of your choice (home, computer lab, library) as your individual schedule permits. For example, Quiz 1 runs from 9:00 am on May 15th to 10:00 pm on May 16th; you may write the quiz at any time during that period.