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Subject: PLANNING TO TAKE BIOCHEMISTRY THIS SPRING?: BIOL 250 Introduction to Biochemistry and New Optional BIOL 250P (1-credit) Lab

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Dear Students,

For those who plan to take biochemistry this spring, please note that there is a slight change.

In the past, registration of the lab was required. However, effective Spring 2022, The Biology Department will offer the Biochemistry lab separately. **The lab is OPTIONAL.**

BIOL 250 Introduction to Biochemistry 4-credit lecture with Dr. Ghaemmaghmi will continue to be offered as a 4-credit lecture course. However, students interested in taking the laboratory will need to register for an additional 1-credit BIOL 250P Biochemistry Lab with Dr. Stein.

When students register for the BIOL 250 lecture course, they will not be automatically prompted to register for a lab section. Instead, students will need to search for BIOL 250P and register for it separately in UR Student.

To help students decide if taking the lab is right for them, I am enclosing a chart that indicates how BIOL 250P applies to biology majors.

Students with interests in health professions (medical school) are advised to take the lab to meet the program requirements.

Best,

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New BIOL 150P Biochemistry Lab (1 credit)  
Applications to Biology Tracks

Major	Major Requirement	Not a Major Requirement	
BA Biology (BIO)		X	students can choose to use the lab component towards the fulfillment of their three labs, just like they do now.
BS Biochemistry (BBC)	X		
BS Computational Biology (BCB)		X	
Cell & Developmental Biology (BCD)		X	
Ecology & Evolutionary Biology (BEB)		X	
Microbiology (BMB)	X		
Molecular Genetics (BMG)	X		
General Track (BSG)		X	
Neuroscience (BNS)		X	

