

Rapid Syllabus Development Workshop

June 23, 2020

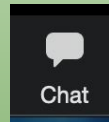
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Engaged Teaching Hub
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The main session of this meeting (not breakout rooms) will be recorded and posted on our website.

What is one word that comes to mind when you think of a syllabus?

Please type your response into the chat box



Meet the Facilitators



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Zoom Orientation

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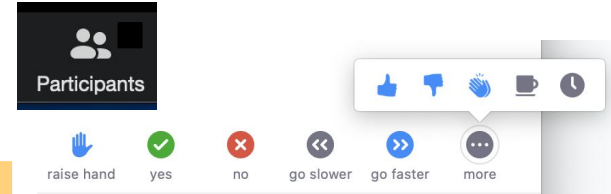
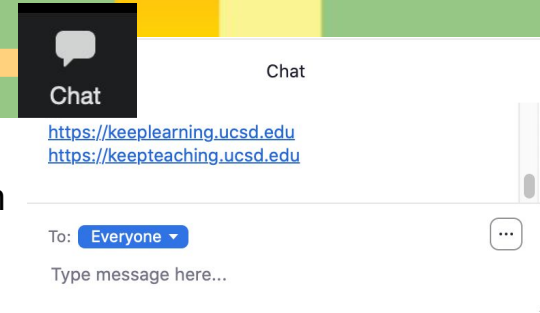
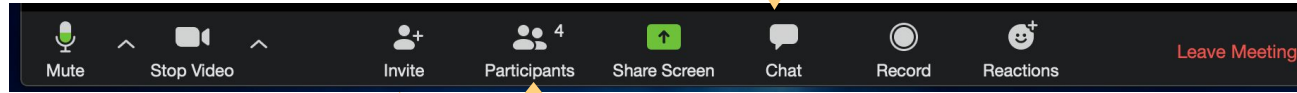
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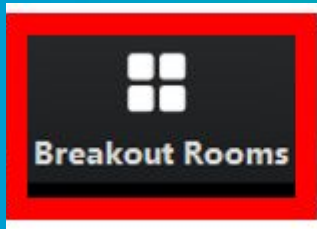
Invite other
participants

List of participants and
non-verbal
communication



Guidelines for Today's Session

- Please mute yourself to minimize background noise, unless speaking
- Feel free to send questions to the chat
- Share and discuss new ideas
- The “raise hand” feature can help keep communication on track
- Please let us know ASAP if you need help



Human Hello

Hello
my name is

1. Name
2. Department
3. Course you are designing
4. One goal you have for the workshop today

**By the end of this workshop,
you will be able to:**

- Identify syllabus design priorities for an upcoming course and integrate these into a syllabus draft
- Review a learner-centered syllabus template and adapt components for your own course
- Consider communication strategies for a remote course

Goals for today

The Rule of 2: Keeping it Simple as You Go Remote

Choose a question below that resonates with your course design priorities...

What are two
**GUIDING
PRINCIPLES** that
you want to keep
in mind as you
design and teach
during this time?

What are two
**SKILLS OR
DISPOSITIONS**
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students to *have*
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by the end of this
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What are two
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The Rule of 2: Keeping it Simple as You Go

Remote *Example*

1. Scale back. I can't do everything and that is ok.
2. Demonstrate care and flexibility for students in everything I do.

1. Apply course knowledge and skills to real-world problems
2. Appreciate the complexities of intractable conflict

1. Canvas to post lecture recordings, assignments, and quizzes
2. Zoom for my office hours and discussion section



The Rule of 2's: Think-Pair-Share



Go to www.menti.com and use the code 63 17 59

Please explain your syllabus design priorities.

 Mentimeter

Press ENTER to pause scroll

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What are key elements of a student-centered syllabus?

Clearly outlines
how to succeed in
a course



- Articulates expectations (for both students and instructors)
- Explains how students will be assessed and how/ when they will get feedback
- Shares campus support services for academic and personal support

Sets the tone and
invites students into
the learning
experience



- Introduces instructional team and teaching philosophy
- Engages students with the topic
- Acknowledges the influence of social and institutional context to build a safe, equitable learning environment

Establishes the
logistics of the
course



- Lays out the “nuts and bolts” of a course: readings, materials, assignment types etc.
- Identifies synchronous and asynchronous course elements
- Provides a road map and/or schedule for the course so students can plan their time

Syllabus Template

Intended as a
guide/starting place -
please update and adapt
as needed!

[Click to make a copy in
Google Docs](#)

[Click to download Word
doc](#)

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[Course Title] Syllabus

Whether you prefer to lead in with a relevant quote, visual image, or simply your course title, consider what you want students to see first in this document. How can you inspire their curiosity or convey an important idea from the course from the start?

Welcome to the Course

This section sets the tone for the course and the syllabus. In addition to containing the basic information about the course (e.g. description, learning outcomes), the course information section contains an introduction, sets expectations, and characterizes the format for the course.

Course Information

Course Description	
Credits	number of units/credit hours hours/wk. on assignments/reading/lab
Instructor	Name of instructor(s)
IA/TA	Name of IA/TAs

Course Learning Outcomes

Course learning outcomes are the fundamental learning goals of a class. They describe the specific skills and dispositions that students will walk away with upon successful completion of a course. Course learning outcomes should be measurable, and describe what students will know, value, and be able to do after taking your course. The Engaged Teaching Hub has provided a [brief screencast on writing effective course learning outcomes](#).

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

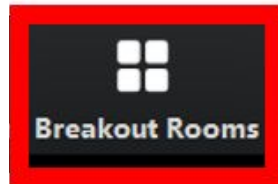
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- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Course Format

Describe the format of the course: face-to-face, flipped, hybrid, online. Explain when students are expected to attend lectures, attend discussion sections, engage in learning activities online, participate in labs, and visit office hours. Share what elements of your course are synchronous, where students engage in real-time, or asynchronous, where they can participate at their own pace.

Work Time

- For the next 20 minutes, please take this time to work on integrating your priority items from the “Rule of 2’s” exercise into your syllabus
- Feel free to pose questions in the chat box
- Facilitators are available for consultation in breakout rooms (please ask in chat)



Engaging Students with your Syllabus

- Designs themselves can be engaging ([examples from UCSD educators](#))
 - Accessibility - check out the [Accessible Syllabus Project](#) for ideas and inspiration
 - Tone - an invitation to learn
- Video syllabus ([example](#)), or syllabus quiz ([example](#))
- Bringing students into the conversation: provide an opportunity to ask questions, or share advice about how to be successful in this course
- What are your ideas?

Example Syllabi from UC San Diego Educators

BIBC 103: Biochemical Techniques Summer Session 1 (July 1–August 3), 2019

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BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Course Information

What is this course about and how will it help you?

This course is about learning lab techniques that are commonly used in biochemistry research. Together, we will first learn the theory behind these techniques in lectures, and then you'll learn how to do these techniques in the lab sessions (no prior lab experience is required). You'll also get a chance to develop skills that will be important for your professional careers: teamwork, analytical reasoning, and scientific literacy. By the end of the course, I hope you'll appreciate that science itself is a process, not just a bunch of random facts to memorize. I hope that you will enjoy taking this course as much as I will enjoy teaching it!

Lectures: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays; 9:30–10:50 AM in Cognitive Sciences Building (CSB) 005

Labs: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays; 12:00–3:50 PM in York Hall 3306 & 3406

Prerequisites: BILD 1 & [Lab Safety Training and Assessment](#) before the first lab session

UC Course Credits: 4

Instructional Team

Instructor: Raymond Mak

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Office Hours: Mondays, 1–3 PM in York Hall 3300

Virtual Office: Mondays, 1–3 PM by [Zoom Video Conferencing](#)

Instructional Assistants (IAs):

Name **Email** **Section** A01 (York 3306)

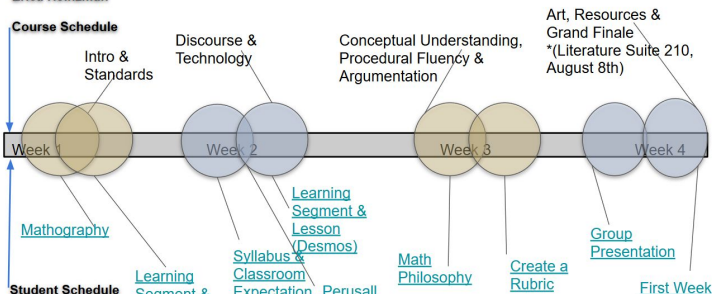
Feel free to talk to me at any time before or after lectures and during lab sessions. I'm here to help you learn! I also want you to have the best learning experience possible, so I welcome your feedback at any time on how to improve the course. During office hours, my door and virtual Zoom door are always open. If these office hours don't work for you, please let me know, and we'll try to find a time that works.

Hi, I'm Ray.

Find these buildings on maps.ucsd.edu

Graphical Syllabus

UC San Diego Education Studies
EDS 204 | Math Methods | Summer 2018
Erica Heinzman



Comic Book Syllabus by Katie Petrie

A PLAIN TEXT VERSION OF THIS SYLLABUS IS AVAILABLE ON TRITON ED

SPRING
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SEQUOYAH HALL 148, MW 11-11:50

YORK HALL 3000A, TU 8-8:50 OR* 9-9:50

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WHAT THIS COURSE WILL ENABLE YOU TO DO:

BY THE END OF THE COURSE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO:

1. EXPLAIN HOW PHENOTYPE = GENOTYPE +

UNDERSTAND HEREDITY

GOALS FOR BIO MAJORS

GOALS FOR ALL STUDENTS

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BIMM 143

A hands-on introduction to the computer-based analysis of genomic and biomolecular data from the Division of Biological Sciences, UCSD.

Overview

Lectures

Computer Setup

Learning Goals

Assignments & Grading

Ethics Code

Twitter

Facebook

Instagram

YouTube

Lectures

All Lectures are Tu/Th 9:00-12:00 pm in Warren Lecture Hall 2015 (WLH 2015) (Map). Clicking on the class topics below will take you to corresponding lecture notes, homework assignments, pre-class video screen-casts and required reading material.

#	Date	Topics for Spring 2018
1	Tu, 04/03	Welcome to Bioinformatics Course Introduction, Learning goals & expectations, Biology is an information science, History of Bioinformatics, Types of data, Application areas and introduction to upcoming course segments, Hands on with major Bioinformatics databases and key online NCBI and EBI resources
2	Th, 04/05	Sequence alignment fundamentals, algorithms and applications Homology, Sequence similarity, Local and global alignment, classic Needleman-Wunsch, Smith-Waterman and BLAST heuristic approaches, Hands on with dot plots, Needleman-Wunsch and BLAST algorithms highlighting their utility and limitations
3	Tu, 04/10	Advanced sequence alignment and database searching Detecting remote sequence similarity, Database searching beyond BLAST, Substitution matrices, Using PSI-BLAST, Profiles and HMMs, Protein structure comparisons
4	Th, 04/12	Bioinformatics data analysis with R Why do we use R for bioinformatics? R language basics and the RStudio IDE, Major R data structures and functions, Using R interactively from the RStudio console

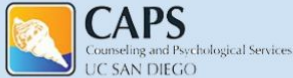
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[First Gen Student Success Coaching Program](#)



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[Office of Academic Support & Instructional Services](#)



[Office for Students with Disabilities](#)



[Supplemental Instruction](#)

[Content Tutoring](#)

[Learning Strategies](#)



[Undocumented Student Services](#)

[Writing Hub Tutoring Services](#)



[Office for Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion: Campus Resource Centers](#)

[Triton Concern Line:](#)

Report Students of Concern at
858-246-2632

Sample Welcome Survey

Which of the following technologies do you have access to at home?

	Apple Device	Android/Google Device	Windows Device	Other
Desktop computer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laptop computer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tablet (e.g., iPad)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Smartphone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you have wifi access at home?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Rate the quality of your wifi (if applicable)

1 2 3 4 5

Horrible (barely works, slow speed) ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Excellent (always works, fast connection)

Communicating with Students in Remote Instruction: Key Questions to Address in a Syllabus

- ❑ How and when should students expect to hear from you about **course updates or logistical information** (via email, Canvas announcement, during lectures/recorded lectures)? How often do they need to check that avenue of communication?
Tip: Ask students to check their Canvas notification settings early in the course, to make sure they receive key information from you.
- ❑ How and when should students expect to receive **feedback** on their work?
Tip: Consider an early check-in assignment to make sure students can submit work and access feedback.
- ❑ How should students contact you or the TAs with **questions**? What is the expected turnaround time?
Tip: An open Q&A forum on Canvas can help reduce email traffic.

In general:

Communicate more often than you normally would (e.g. sending due date reminders) during remote instruction, as it is easier for students to feel disconnected or fall off-track.

Revisiting the Rule of 2

How have you implemented your priorities during this session? Are there any further changes or updates you'd like to make moving forward?

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Next Steps

- Download our [welcome packet](#) and [week-by-week checklist](#)
- [Contact us](#) for a consultation to discuss your specific context
- We will post the slides from this webinar and the recording [on our website](#) and share by email

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Remote Teaching Week-by-Week Checklist	
Week	Teaching Activities
0 (before Week 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Prepare your syllabus. Click here to download the Commons learner-centered syllabus template, and click here to access example syllabi from UC San Diego educators. For support with Course Design, contact the Engaged Teaching Hub.❑ Access and begin to build your Canvas site.<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Log in with your active directory credentials at canvas.ucsd.edu and confirm that your Canvas shell is available to you (email canvas@ucsd.edu with any issues) and accurately describes your course information (title, course number, students enrolled). Confirm that the course is not published/accessible by students, and then schedule it to be published on your desired date. In Canvas, there are three layers of publishing (course, module, item) - click here for more information.❑ Import the adaptable UC San Diego Canvas course template to get ready to build your course, if desired - click here for directions.❑ Upload your syllabus to the Canvas site under the "Syllabus" tab, or link to it in Google Doc form (make sure sharing settings are appropriate if linking).❑ Schedule synchronous course meetings and office hours via the Zoom integration.❑ Review EdTech's Course Start Checklist to set up grading options and weighting.❑ Begin building out content and assignments in your Canvas course, and your students better manage time as the materials as possible (readings, quizzes, make all course materials available at once, or



Teaching + Learning Commons: Welcome Summer 2020 Instructors!

Dear Summer Instructors,

Welcome to Summer 2020 at UC San Diego! The Teaching + Learning Commons has put together a list of resources designed to support you in your teaching role this summer. We recognize that some of you may already have experience with remote teaching, while this will be a new experience for others. Please feel free to adapt and select the resources below to fit your own needs.

In the sections below, you will find resources to download and/or copy directly into your course, as well as written guides covering common questions about remote teaching, and links to selected webinars and instructional videos to support your teaching. Finally, you will find contact information at the bottom of this page to seek further support from Commons staff. Please feel free to reach out. That is why we are here, and we would love to speak with you about your course.

Wishing you and your students a happy and productive summer session, and thank you for your dedication to student learning!

Sincerely,

Engaged Teaching Hub ([engagedteaching@ucsd.edu](#)), Digital Learning Hub ([online@ucsd.edu](#)), and the Teaching + Learning Commons Team

Formative Assessment

tinyurl.com/y7nll3sp

- What was your key takeaway from this workshop?
- How would you apply something you learned today in your teaching?
- What is a remaining question you have?