First Year Seminar - BIOLOGY 1100
Fall 2015

Transition Week – TW 9:00-11:00; 1st 8 Weeks – Friday 1:00-2:50
Science Building Room 102

GENERAL INTRODUCTORY MATERIAL

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Course Description:
The course description for BIOL 1100. Transitioning to University Studies in
Biology/Biomedical Sciences, at it appears in the Tarleton State University Catalog is as follows:

Practical study designed to prepare the student for university life, aid in the development
of skills for academic success, promote personal growth and responsibility, and
encourage active involvement in the learning process from an individual college
perspective. These skill sets are presented in the context of biology and biomedical
disciplines.

General Overview: This course is designed to be a basic introduction to college life,
specifically as it applies to the biology student. Requirements for this class are straight forward –
show up for class, successfully complete all assigned work, and complete the “Financial Literacy
101” web course. We will only meet 10 times during the semester – 2 times during Transistion
Week and the first 8 Fridays of the semester. Attendance will be taken each meeting.

Grades: Under direction from our administration, failure to complete the Financial
Literacy 101 course will result in an incomplete for the course. Your actual grade will be
determined based on your attendance during Transistion Week, attendance during the first 8
weeks of the semester, and timely return and completion of all assigned materials.
**Cell Phones:** Please refrain from using cell phones during class – it is rude, disrespectful, and disruptive. This includes texting. Please turn phones off or put them on silent during class.

*It is the policy of Tarleton State University to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other applicable laws. If you are a student with a disability seeking accommodations for this course, please contact the Center for Access and Academic Testing, at 254.968.9400 or caat@tarleton.edu. The office is located in Math 201. More information can be found at www.tarleton.edu/caat, in the University Catalog, or at www.ada.gov.*

**Academic Standards:** Tarleton State University expects its students to maintain high standards of personal and scholarly conduct. Students guilty of academic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary action. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on an examination or other academic work, plagiarism, collusion, and the abuse of resource materials. The faculty member is responsible for initiating action for each case of academic dishonesty that occurs in his/her class.

**Useful Web Sites:**
- Department of Biological Sciences – [http://www.tarleton.edu/biology](http://www.tarleton.edu/biology)
- Biology section of the 2015-16 Catalog - [http://catalog.tarleton.edu/undergrad/collegeofsciencetechnology/biologicalsciences/](http://catalog.tarleton.edu/undergrad/collegeofsciencetechnology/biologicalsciences/)
- General graduation requirements - [http://catalog.tarleton.edu/undergrad/academicinformation/](http://catalog.tarleton.edu/undergrad/academicinformation/)
- Student “Rules” - [http://www.tarleton.edu/studentrules/](http://www.tarleton.edu/studentrules/)