

**GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SPRING 2010**

COURSE: ASM104, Bones, Stones, and Human Evolution Section 56823
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TEXTS: *Essentials of Physical Anthropology*, 7th edition, Jurmain et al.

FOR COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES: Go to <http://www.maricopa.edu/academic/curric/>

GRADING: A total of 600 points: 400 points from 4 classroom exams, 200 points from lab exercises. Grades are based on percent of total points: "A" = 540+, "B" =480-539, "C" =420-479, "D" = 360-419, "F"= below 360. **However**, you won't pass the course unless you pass **both** the test and lab portions. No one may earn more than 400 points in class or 200 in lab.

EXTRA CREDIT: Additional points may sometimes be earned for Jeopardy. No other extra credit will be given under any circumstances. **DON'T EVEN ASK.**

ATTENDANCE: *Highly recommended!!!* Material will be covered that is not in the text. I do **not** loan my notes to students or repeat lectures for absentees. Lab attendance is particularly important, as lab exercises may **NOT** be made up. (There will be enough possible lab points to allow for one or two absences.) One week's unexcused absence **may** result in your being dropped.

WITHDRAW/FAILURE: If you wish to drop, you need to see me or turn in a withdrawal slip. Otherwise, you may receive an "F" **or** a "W" for the course, at my discretion.

EXAMS: Tests are non-cumulative. All tests count, **NONE ARE DROPPED.** Questions may include multiple choice, fill-in, short answer, essays and identification of material from lab. Tests are based on lectures, labs, movies, discussions, and the text. (If it's in class or in the book, it's fair game.)

CHEATING: If cheating is detected at any time, ALL participants will receive a score of zero on the exam or assignment.

MAKE-UPS: Make-up tests are for cases of illness or family emergency. Oversleeping is **not** an emergency. Important points about make-ups are:

- a) You must **contact me the day of the test** (or before) if you will have to miss it.
- b) **It is my decision whether you get to take a make-up exam.**
- c) Except in unusual circumstances, **no one may take more than one make-up.**
- d) **LABS CANNOT BE MADE UP.**

ACCOMODATIONS: Please see me if you need special accommodation in order to fully participate in class. (This could include a note-taker if you are visually or physically disabled, or special test arrangements if you are learning disabled or have extreme test anxiety.)

PROBLEMS: If you have any questions about the course, my presentation of the material, or your grades, please see me to discuss them. Usually, a short conference is enough to solve the problem.

CLASSROOM COURTESY: Our classroom is acoustically "live". Even whispering in the back row carries to the front of the room, which bothers other students and me. Please don't make private comments or carry on private conversations during class.

TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE BEFORE ENTERING CLASS!!!
NO CELL PHONES ON THE TABLE, NO TEXTING IN CLASS

ASM104 SCHEDULE
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WEEK STARTING:	LECTURE TOPIC:	ASSIGNED TEXT PAGES:
January 18	Introduction, Scientific Method	Chapter 1
January 25	Evolutionary Theory	Chapter 2
February 1	Biological Basis of Life	Chapter 3
February 8	Heredity and Evolution	Chapter 4
<u>FIRST TEST WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8</u>		
February 15	Human Variation	Chapter 12
PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY = MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15		
February 22	Overview of the Primates	Chapter 6, Appendix A
March 1	Primate Behavior	Chapter 7
<u>SECOND TEST WEEK OF MARCH 1</u>		
March 8	Macroevolution	Chapter 5
SPRING BREAK WEEK OF MARCH 15 - 21		
March 22	Hominid Origins	Chapter 8, Appendix B
March 29	Hominid Origins, continued	
April 5	First genus <i>Homo</i>	Chapter 9
<u>THIRD TEST WEEK OF APRIL 3</u>		
April 12	Premodern humans	Chapter 10
April 19	Origin, dispersal of modern humans	Chapter 11
April 26	Human life course	Chapter 13
May 3	Forensics, skeletal biology	Appendix D
May 12	LAST TEST: same room, same time as normal class	

All labs must be turned in when due (**No late labs accepted unless approved by me beforehand**). Specific dates for exams will be announced in class. If you are having trouble with the material, please talk with me so that I can assist you.

NOTE 1: As a student in this class, you are responsible for being aware of the information in this syllabus, and for the class policies it lists. You are also responsible for following GCC college policies as listed in the course catalog and the student handbook. If you do not follow the course or college policies, you may fail or be dropped from the course.

NOTE 2: Course content may vary from the course outline and the course calendar to meet the needs of this particular class. **Any changes will be announced in class.**