

# COURSE DETAIL

## STRUCTURAL & CHEMICAL BIOLOGY

**Country**

South Africa

**Host Institution**

University of Cape Town

**Program(s)**

University of Cape Town

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Biological Sciences Bioengineering Biochemistry

**UCEAP Course Number**

134

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

STRUCTURAL & CHEMICAL BIOLOGY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

12.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

8.00

## Course Description

This course addresses how modern techniques of structural and chemical biology are being used to solve biological problems. It draws on multiple aspects of macromolecular biochemistry including nucleic acid structure and interactions, signaling proteins, and membrane proteins. The course demonstrates how this knowledge can be used in drug discovery and protein design in biotechnology. Topics include mechanisms of reversible and irreversible enzyme inhibitors, ligand binding, protein folding, the molecular basis for protein function, regulation of protein activity, cell signaling, and proteomics. Assessment: Tests count 40%; practicals, tutorials essays, and assignments count 10%; one 3-hour examination written in June counts 50%. A subminimum of 40% in the examination is required.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

MCB3025F

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## Host Institution Campus

University of Cape Town

## Host Institution Faculty

Science

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

MOLECULAR AND CELL BIOLOGY

## Course Last Reviewed

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