

Biology BL1101 Information Sheet

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Books: Biology a global Approach (Campbell *et al.*, 11th ed.); Practical Skills in Biology (Jones *et al.*, 6th ed.)

Available new at Blackwells Book Store (next to the Student Union, will offer a reduced price for both together). Second hand copies can be found in charity shops (eg. Dr Barnardo's, Bell Street) and sold by former students – check residence notice boards. Previous 2 editions should suffice, although page references may differ.

Lab Coats: Available from the Student Union Shop with or without elasticated cuffs (£29.95). Please note that students taking Chemistry modules must have 100% cotton lab coats, which can also be used for Biology.

Lab Fees: This £6 cost can be paid for online at <http://onlineshop.st-andrews.ac.uk/product-catalogue/schools/biology>

Dissecting Kit: This should be bought (£12.50) online at <http://onlineshop.st-andrews.ac.uk/product-catalogue/schools/biology> and the receipt shown to a teaching technician who will give you your dissection kit (print or show email receipt on phone). This can be done within the first few weeks.

Lab Sign Up:

- Labs are compulsory
- Labs take place in the Multi-purpose Lab (MPL) in the Medical Sciences Building on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon, from 2-5pm.
- You must select a permanent lab day and sign up to it on MMS (<http://mms.st-andrews.ac.uk/>) under BL1101.
- Sign up opens at 5pm on Wednesday 13th September.
- When choosing a practical day, make sure it does not clash with your other modules.
- Be aware that Wednesday is the University's sports day so do not choose a Wednesday for labs if you want to be involved in sports.

Lab Attendance & Etiquette:

- Practicals start at **2pm**; please be punctual!
- The attendance sheet at the end of the bench **must** be signed.
- If you arrive late, please enter the lab quietly.
- The 1st practical on Week 1 can be attended on any day whilst you organise your permanent lab day.
- Before attending the 2nd practical, you should know your permanent lab day and your bench letter and seat number.
- No eating, drinking or chewing gum is allowed in the lab.
- Lab coats must be worn at all times unless otherwise indicated.
- Bags, jackets etc. should be tucked under the lab bench. Do not leave anything in the corridor!
- No open-toed shoes or sandals should be worn.
- Long hair must be tied back (elastic bands are provided).
- Any problems or queries regarding lab attendance should be directed to Dr Grant Brown (grb31).