

NGG 573: Neuroscience Core III 2025

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Time: MWF, 10:00am-12:00pm

Location: John Morgan Building 62' Auditorium. Anatomy labs meet in 210 Stemmler.

Text : *The Human Brain* (John Nolte [N]; any version) and *Principles of Neural Science* (Kandel & Schwartz [K&S]; 5th Edition). Copies of [K&S] are on reserve in the Biomedical Library, see "Course Materials@Penn Libraries" on the Canvas course page (only 3 persons can watch the book at a time). In addition, K&S is available as pdf on the Canvas course page. Nolte [N] is available through Penn Library's subscription to ClinicalKey; see also "Course Materials@Penn Libraries" on Canvas. In addition, N is available as pdf on the Canvas page. Additional readings can be found in the "2024 Readings" folder on the Canvas website.

Goals of Core III

- (1) Learn the basics of neuroanatomy through a targeted series of lectures and dissections.
- (2) Learn about the foundations of systems neuroscience.
- (3) Learn about the applications of systems neuroscience.

Grading: Homework (HW) assignments (90% total) and class participation (10%).

HWs will be distributed electronically via Canvas and will be returned electronically to the designated folder on Canvas. Each HW will contain 1 question provided by a lecturer from the previous week or that Monday. You should expect to spend about 2-3 hours to answer the question, including researching relevant information. HW will need to be returned on Canvas within 7 days.

Day	Date	General Topic	Topic	Reading	Lecturer	Assignment
F	Jan 17	Course overview		K&S 1, 2, 15	Course directors	
W	Jan 22	Anatomy	Anatomy/Lab 1	N 1,3	Yale Cohen and Edward Lee	
F	Jan 24		Pathology	N 4-6	Edward Lee	
M	Jan 27		Brainstem	N 11		
W	Jan 29		Lab 2	N 16,19,20,22	Cohen	
F	Jan 31		Anatomy		Cohen	
M	Feb 3		Lab 3		Cohen	
W	Feb 5		Lab 4		Cohen	
F	Feb 7		Lab 5		Cohen	
M	Feb 10		Practical		Yale Cohen	Practical

W	Feb 12	Development	Development 1	N 2; K&S 52-56	Jonathan Raper	
F	Feb 14		Development 2	K&S 52-56	Jonathan Raper	
M	Feb 17	Approaches & Computation	2P imaging		Tim Machado	HW 1
W	Feb 19		Computational Neuroscience	K&S 21	Konrad Körding	
F	Feb 21		On the grand plan of brain and mind research		Nicole Rust	
M	Feb 24	Sensory Systems	Vision 1	N 17; K&S 25-29	Diego Contreras	HW 2
W	Feb 26		Vision 2	K&S 25-29	Michael Arcaro	
F	Feb 28		Auditory System 1	N 14; K&S 30,31	Maria Geffen	
M	Mar 3		Auditory System 2	K&S 30,31	Nate Vogler	HW 3
W	Mar 5		Somatosensory System	K&S 22	Wenqing Luo	
F	Mar 7		Nociceptive System		Greg Corder	
M	Mar 10	<i>Spring Break</i>				
W	Mar 12	<i>Spring Break</i>				
F	Mar 14	<i>Spring Break</i>				
M	Mar 17		Olfactory System 1	N 13; K&S 25-29	Kevin Bolding	HW4
W	Mar 19		Olfactory System 2	K&S 25-29	Joel Mainland	
F	Mar 21	Motor Systems & Innate Behaviors	Motor System	N 18	Bijan Pesaran	
M	Mar 24		Eye Movements	N 21; K&S 38,39	Long Ding	HW 5
W	Mar 26		Hunger Circuits		Amber Alhadeff	
F	Mar 28		Striatum		Marc Fuccillo	
M	Mar 31		Addiction 1		Heath Schmidt	HW 6
W	Apr 2		Addiction 2		John Dani	
F	Apr 4	Limbic systems	Hippocampus, Plasticity, and TBI	K&S 55,56	Akiva Cohen	
M	Apr 7		Hippocampus & Learning	K&S 65	Kimberly Christian	HW 7
W	Apr 9		Hippocampus & Neurogenesis		Hongjun Song	
F	Apr 11	Sleep & Circadian Rhythms	Sleep and Development		Matthew Kayser	
M	Apr 14		Circadian Rhythms	K&S 51	David Raizen	HW 8
W	Apr 16		Neural Circuits of Sleep	K&S 51	Franz Weber	
F	Apr 18		Sleep and Neuromodulation		Shinjae Chung	

M	Apr 21	Techniques & Applications	Neuroimaging		David Roalf	HW 9
W	Apr 23		fMRI/TMS		Desmond Oathes	
F	Apr 25		BMI		Flavia Vitale	
M	Apr 28		DBS		Halpern	HW 10
W	Apr 30		TMS / Lab tour		Hamilton lab	