



Dear Incoming BGS Fall 2024 Students,

Please see below regarding an optional summer workshop to prepare for BIOM 6000 Cell Biology this fall. Please let your graduate group coordinator or Colleen Dunn (dunncoll@pennmedicine.upenn.edu) know before Thursday, August 1, 2024 if you are interested in joining this workshop so we can give you access to the Canvas site.

The BIOM 6000 summer prep workshop will be held:

Monday, Aug 5 5-7PM Smilow 10-146AB

Wednesday, Aug 7 5-7PM Smilow 12-146AB

Tuesday, Aug 13 5-7PM Smilow 10-146AB

Thursday, Aug 15 5-7PM Smilow 10-146AB

**Objective:** This four-session workshop will use material from BIOM 6000 with the objective of giving students an overview of the subject matter and tips for succeeding in the course. Guidance about listening to lectures, interpreting data, and studying for exams in the main course will be provided. By the end of the program, students will be better prepared to master experiment-based lectures and exams in BIOM 6000.

**Format:** Before each session, students will preview background material or a pre-recorded lecture and an associated problem set. Each class will consist of a discussion about the described key experimental techniques, a question & answer session, and time to work through and review the associated problem set in small groups. The course is optional, students are not graded, and the problem solving is for personal practice in a relaxed setting. The course is entirely run by advanced graduate students.

The workshop will be conducted in person on campus. Students can also access the workshop materials on the Canvas site, but there will not be virtual sessions for students to participate remotely. Workshop sessions will not be recorded.

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