

**PHARM 7890 - 001**  
**Medicinal Chemistry Research Seminar**  
**Fall 2024**  
**Semester Course (1 credits)**

*Location/Time:* Departmental Seminars:  
Building, Room Number 2680 EHSEB  
Days the Class is held: Th, according to seminar schedule  
Time the Class is held: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
(Times and location of other events will be announced individually)

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*Course Description / Content overview:*

This course will provide students with current topics in medicinal chemistry in the forms of seminar presentations. Furthermore, students will have opportunities to practice their scientific communication skills through participation in seminar presentations.

*Pre-Requisites:*

Graduate student in the PhD or MSc Programs of the Department of Medicinal Chemistry

*Course Objectives*

- Expose students to contemporary research in the field of Medicinal Chemistry
- Practice scientific communication skills in the form of oral research presentations

*Teaching and Learning Methods*

Seminar-based teaching. The course is in person and students that wish to attend virtually must receive the approval of the coursemaster to do so.

### *Course Grade*

The course is graded on a credit/no credit basis. Grade is determined based on attendance. For credit, students must attend all components of the PHARM 7890 course, which include:

- Attendance of departmental seminars (faculty speakers and student speakers)
- Attendance of college of pharmacy seminars
- Attendance of meet-and-greet session (four per academic year)
- Attendance of Skaggs Fellowship symposium
- Attendance of lectures on scientific communication (waived if previously attended)
- Present research seminar (if required according to schedule)

Attendance will be recorded in the meeting using a sign-up sheet, and it is the responsibility of the students to ensure that they record their attendance. Students that cannot attend a seminar component must seek the approval of the coursemaster by email beforehand. If a student was unable to attend a seminar component, he or she should inform the coursemaster at the earliest convenience. Students that have two (2) or more unexcused absences will receive no credit.

### *Assessment/Testing Policy*

Students in their second year are required to present a literature talk and students in their third or later year are required to present a research-in-progress seminar (RIPS). Students that present a seminar in the spring seminar or have registered for graduation are exempt from presenting in the departmental seminar series. Students will receive written peer feedback for the seminar presentation, but the purpose of that feedback is informal only and does not affect the grade of the course.

### *Academic Integrity and Misconduct*

Allegations of academic misconduct will be thoroughly investigated and adjudicated in accordance with University and College Policies and Procedures. The following information is from University of Utah Policy 6-400 "Student Code" (<http://regulations.utah.edu/academics/6-400.php>)

### *Faculty Responsibilities*

- Convene class unless a valid reason and notice are given
- Return peer feedback on seminar presentation in a timely manner
- Inform students at the beginning of class about required attendance of course components
- Ensure environment conducive to learning
- Enforce student code

### *Student Responsibilities*

- Students are expected to attend class and to participate in class discussions, as outlined in this syllabus
- Students are expected to follow the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities (“Student Code”) as delineated in the University of Utah Policies and Procedures Manual <http://www.admin.utah.edu/ppmanual/8/8-10.html>.
- Students are expected to meet the Standards of Performance and adhere to expectations regarding academic integrity and misconduct as delineated in the graduate studies program in their department.

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### Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

The University of Utah seeks to provide equal access to its programs, services, and activities for people with disabilities.

All written information in this course can be made available in an alternative format with prior notification to the Center for Disability & Access (CDA). CDA will work with you and the instructor to make arrangements for accommodations. Prior notice is appreciated. To read the full accommodations policy for the University of Utah, please see Section Q of the Instruction & Evaluation regulations.

In compliance with ADA requirements, some students may need to record course content. Any recordings of course content are for personal use only, should not be shared, and should never be made publicly available. In addition, recordings must be destroyed at the conclusion of the course.

If you will need accommodations in this class, or for more information about what support they provide, contact:

Center for Disability & Access

801-581-5020

[disability.utah.edu](http://disability.utah.edu)

65 Student Services Building

201 S 1460 E

Salt Lake City, UT 84112

### *Addressing Sexual Misconduct*

Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender (which includes sexual orientation and gender identity/expression) is a civil rights offense subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories such as race, national origin, color, religion, age, status as a person with a disability, veteran's status, or genetic information.

If you or someone you know has been harassed or assaulted, you are encouraged to report it to university officials:

Title IX Coordinator & Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action

801-581-8365

[oeo.utah.edu](http://oeo.utah.edu)

135 Park Building

201 Presidents' Cir.

Salt Lake City, UT 84112

Office of the Dean of Students

801-581-7066

[deanofstudents.utah.edu](http://deanofstudents.utah.edu)

270 Union Building

200 S. Central Campus Dr.

Salt Lake City, UT 84112

To file a police report, contact:

Campus Police & Department of Public Safety

801-585-COPS (801-585-2677)

[dps.utah.edu](http://dps.utah.edu)

1735 E. S. Campus Dr.

Salt Lake City, UT 84112

If you do not feel comfortable reporting to authorities, the U's Victim-Survivor Advocates provide free, confidential, and trauma-informed support services to students, faculty, and staff who have experienced interpersonal violence.

To privately explore options and resources available to you with an advocate, contact:  
Center for Student Wellness

801-581-7776

wellness.utah.edu

328 Student Services Building

201 S. 1460 E.

Salt Lake City, UT 84112

### *Campus Safety*

The University of Utah values the safety of all campus community members. To report suspicious activity, call campus police at 801-585-COPS (801-585-2677). You will receive important emergency alerts and safety messages regarding campus safety via text message. For more information regarding safety and to view available training resources, including helpful videos, visit: <https://safeu.utah.edu>

### *Academic Misconduct*

It is expected that students comply with University of Utah policies regarding academic honesty, including but not limited to refraining from cheating, plagiarizing, misrepresenting one's work, and/or inappropriately collaborating. This includes the use of generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools without citation, documentation, or authorization. Students are expected to adhere to the prescribed professional and ethical standards of the profession/discipline for which they are preparing. Any student who engages in academic dishonesty or who violates the professional and ethical standards for their profession/discipline may be subject to academic sanctions as per the University of Utah's Student Code: Policy 6-410: Student Academic Performance, Academic Conduct, and Professional and Ethical Conduct.

Plagiarism and cheating are serious offenses and may be punished by failure on an individual assignment, and/or failure in the course. Academic misconduct, according to the University of Utah Student Code:

"...Includes, but is not limited to, cheating, misrepresenting one's work, inappropriately collaborating, plagiarism, and fabrication or falsification of information...It also includes facilitating academic misconduct by intentionally helping or attempting to help another to commit an act of academic misconduct."

For details on plagiarism and other important course conduct issues, see the U's Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities.

*Wellness Statement*

Personal concerns such as stress, anxiety, relationship difficulties, depression, cross-cultural differences, etc., can interfere with a student's ability to succeed and thrive at the University of Utah. For helpful resources contact the Center for Student Wellness at [www.wellness.utah.edu](http://www.wellness.utah.edu) or 801-581-7776.

*Note:*

This syllabus is meant to serve as an outline and guide for the course. Please note that it may be modified during the semester with reasonable notice to students. Course Schedule may also be modified to accommodate the needs of the class. Any changes will be announced in class and communicated electronically.