# Supplemental Material CBE—Life Sciences Education

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# HHMI Biology FEST Winter Institute Monday, January 13, 2014 Participant Agenda Day 1: Introduction to Scientific Teaching

# Today's Learning Outcomes...

- Get to know your 2014 HHMI Biology FEST Winter Institute colleagues!
- Distinguish the components of Scientific Teaching through a shared classroom experience.
- Discuss the relationship between innovative teaching and the biological basis for learning.
- Apply principles of Backwards Design to individual class contexts.
- Investigate the Vision and Change Core Competencies.

9:00-10:05	Introductions: Getting to Know You
10:05-10:15	Reflection: A Time to Reflect on Your Own
10:15-10:25	Big Idea: HHMI Biology FEST Overview and Scientific Teaching Framework
🕏 10 min - Bathro	om Break 🕸
10:35-11:35	Activity: Scientific Teaching – A Common Experience
11:35-11:45	Big Idea: Focusing on a Single Course & Thinking about Spring
11:45-12:45	LUNCH
12:45-1:00	Activity: Keeping Your Eye on the Big Picture
1:00-1:20	Activity: What We Want Students to Be Able to Do at the End of the Course
1:20-1:40	Big Idea: Evidence on How People Learn
1:40-1:55	Discussion: On Content Coverage and Prioritizing Student Learning Outcomes
1:55-2:35	Activity: Using Backwards Design to Prioritize What to Teach
🛿 10 min - Bathro	oom and Snack Break 🕏
2:45-3:15	Activity: Scientific Teaching as a National Movement: Exploring Vision & Change
3:15-3:30	Big Idea: Spring Action Plans & Friday Poster Session
3:30-3:50	Activity: Begin Spring Action Plans
3:50-4:00	Closing & Reflection

→ HOMEWORK: Bring assessments/exams/quizzes tomorrow!

→ **RESOURCE READINGS**: 1) Understanding by Design (Intro & Ch. 1) by Wiggins and McTighe, 2) Scientific Teaching in Practice by Miller et. al, 3) Putting the Horse Back in Front of the Cart by Allen and Tanner, 4) Vision and Change booklet by NSF and AAAS.



# HHMI Biology FEST Winter Institute Tuesday, January 14, 2014 Participant Agenda Day 2: Assessment

# Today's Learning Outcomes...

- Construct a common understanding of "assessment" and its role in learning.
- Compare and contrast different forms of assessment tools for uncovering student ideas.
- Examine Bloom's Taxonomy as a tool for evaluating and modifying assessments.
- Compile a bank of student misconceptions that could serve as the basis for assessment prompts.
- Apply Bloom's Taxonomy and misconceptions work to individual class contexts.

9:00-9:15	Welcome and Reflections from Day 1
9:15-9:45	Activity: The Purpose of Assessment and the Role of Questions
9:45-10:30	Activity: Assessment A-Go-Go, Part I
€5 min - Bathroom I	Break 🛇
10:35-11:30	Activity and Discussion: Assessment A-Go-Go, Part II
11:30-12:00	Activity: Exploring Bloom's Taxonomy
12:00-1:00	LUNCH
1:00-1:40	Activity: Analyzing Our Exams/Quizzes Using Bloom's Taxonomy
1:40-2:10	Big Idea and Movie: Uncovering Student Misconceptions
	n and Snack Break 🕏
2:20-3:10	Activity: Misconceptions Research
3:10-3:45	Activity: Continuation of Spring Action Plans
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3:45-4:00 Closing & Reflection

→ HOMEWORK: Read Stalking the Second Tier intro chapter

→ **RESOURCE READINGS**: 1) Biology in Bloom by Crowe et. al., 2) Application of Bloom's Taxonomy Debunks "MCAT Myth" by Zheng et. al., 3) Scientific Teaching (Ch. 3) by Handelsman et. al., 4) Understanding the Wrong Answer by Tanner and Allen, 5) Taming the Testing/Grading Cycle in Lecture Classes Centered Around Open-Ended Assessment by Schinske.



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# HHMI Biology FEST Winter Institute Wednesday, January 15, 2014 Participant Agenda Day 3: Equity & Diversity

# Today's Learning Outcomes...

- Explore how issues of equity and diversity affect student learning.
- Experience how unstructured classroom environments can work against inclusiveness, fairness, and equity.
- Discuss recent research on stereotype threat and unconscious bias in science.
- Self assess current awareness of and use of common equitable teaching strategies.
- Evaluate concrete strategies for facilitating group work.
- Investigate group behaviors that can influence inclusiveness, fairness, equity.

9:00-9:15	Welcome and Reflections from Day 2
9:15-10:25	Activity: Building Mobiles
♦10 min - Bathroom	Break 😒
10:35-11:00	Small Group Discussion: Talking About Leaving
11:00-11:20	Rock Stars of Science
11:20-12:35	Stereotype Threat Jigsaw
12:35-1:35	LUNCH
1:35-2:00	Activity: Exploring 20 Simple Classroom Equity Strategies
2:00-2:25	Self-Assessment: What Equity Strategies Are You Using?
€ 10 min - Bathroom	and Snack Break 😂
2:35-2:45	Self Assessment: Reflecting on Group Work
2:45-3:00	Big Idea: Explicit Group Work Strategies
3:00-3:25	Activity: Identifying and Managing Group Dynamics
3:25-3:45	Activity: Continuation of Spring Action Plans
3:45-4:00	Closing & Reflection
$\rightarrow$ HOMEWORK:	reading on 5E Model by Bybee

→ **RESOURCE READINGS**: 1) Scientific Teaching (Ch. 4) by Handelsman et. al., 2) Cultural Competence in the College Biology Classroom by Tanner and Allen, 3) Katayoun Chamany People & History of Biology article, 4) Increased Structure and Active Learning Reduce the Achievement Gap in Introductory Biology by Haak, et. al.



# HHMI Biology FEST Winter Institute Thursday, January 16, 2014 Participant Agenda Day 4: Active Learning

# Today's Learning Outcomes...

- Construct a common understanding of "active learning."
- Experience and evaluate different amounts of time required for integrating active learning into a lecture.
- Compare and contrast approaches to promoting active learning outside of class.
- Use the 5E model to analyze and modify a class session, identifying opportunities for active learning.
- Applying active learning strategies to individual class contexts.
- Reflect on how the HHMI Biology FEST Winter Institute is and is not likely to influence our classes this spring.

Welcome and Reflections from Day 3
Brainstorm and Video: What Can Active Learning Look Like in a Lecture?
Activity: Active Learning in 1, 5, 10, and 20 Minutes During a Lecture
Break 😒
Activity: Promoting Active Learning Outside of Class
Discussion: Integrating Active Learning in Your Own Context
LUNCH
Activity: How to Thoughtfully Integrate Active Learning
Mini-Lecture: The 5 E's
Activity: Assigning E's to an Individual Class Session
Discussion: Strategies for Using the 5E Model to Iteratively Change
Activity: Tweak Your Lesson!
and Snack Break 🕏
Carousel Graffiti: What Will You Use in Your Classroom?
Activity: Continuation of Spring Action Plans
Closing & Reflection

→ Homework: Think about what you will propose to do in Spring and describe on your poster...

→ **RESOURCE READINGS**: 1) Active Learning chapter from Scientific Teaching, 2) Su et al Science article, 3) How People Learn by Donovan, and 4) Infusing Active Learning into Large Classrooms



# HHMI Biology FEST Summer Institute Friday, January 17, 2014 Participant Agenda Day 5: Looking Forward to Spring...

### **Today's Learning Outcomes...**

- Defend or refute common conceptions of the applicability of Scientific Teaching to undergraduate biology classes.
- Develop potential solutions to anticipated barriers we might encounter in applying Scientific Teaching to our classes.
- Compose a plan for implementing small changes in our classes this spring based on Scientific Teaching.
- Set expectations for spring semester activities and create individual plans within spring working groups.

9:00-9:15	Welcome and Reflections from Day 4
9:15-10:00	Activity: Evaluating Statements About Scientific Teaching

## 😒 10 min - Bathroom Break 😒

10:10-11:00	Discussion: What are the Hurdles to and the Resources for Making Things Happen?
11:00-11:45	Poster Creation
11:45-12:15	LUNCH
12:15-1:15	Poster Session
1:15-1:30	Celebration & Closing
1:30-1:45	Final Reflection
1:45-2:00	Final Announcements
🛿 15 min - Bathr	room and Snack Break 🕏

2:15-4:00 Activity: Launching Teaching Squares!

→ **RESOURCE READINGS**: Innovations in Undergraduate Biology and Why We Need Them by Bill Wood.

#### Informed Consent Letter

#### Dear Colleague,

You are being asked to participate in a research study conducted by a postdocs, Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. and Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. of the Science Education Partnership and Assessment Laboratory (SEPAL), here at San Francisco State University (SFSU).

You are being invited to participate in this study because you are a faculty at SFSU who is currently (Spring 2014) teaching at least one course offered by the Biology Department. Your participation in this study is voluntary.

#### PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY

The purpose of this study is to investigate the perceptions of SFSU faculty and students of their experiences in biology courses this semester.

#### PROCEDURES

You will be asked to complete a 10 minute online survey about your experiences in your Spring 2014 biology courses. If you are teaching more than one course, you will be asked to answer the survey separately for EACH COURSE. At the end of the survey, there will be a short demographics questionnaire. Your responses will remain completely confidential.

If you volunteer to participate in this study, you will complete the survey in a secure website. You will be giving us permission to read, analyze and report data from your confidential responses to the survey.

#### POTENTIAL RISKS

The primary risk is the potential loss of privacy, as demographic information and your insights about your perceptions of your courses will be collected. To mitigate this risk, we will keep the survey data strictly confidential. Original survey responses only be known to Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. or Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. and all personal indicator information will be removed before any analysis is done. All data will be collected using a password protected survey system (Surveymonkey.com).

#### POTENTIAL BENEFITS TO YOU AND/OR SOCIETY

There are no direct benefits to you by participating in this study. However, participating in this research study may provide insights into student perceptions of your classroom environment. In addition, access to the aggregate data collected in this study will be useful in guiding all faculty participating in the upcoming HHMI Biology FEST Summer Institute toward making improvements in the classroom experiences of their students.

#### PAYMENT FOR PARTICIPATION

You will be offered a \$20 gift card from your choice of one of the three following businesses: Amazon.com, Peet's Coffee and Target. In order to receive your gift card, you will be asked to provide your name and email address. This information will NOT be associated with your survey responses. You will receive one gift card per course if you complete the survey multiple times for different biology courses you are teaching in Spring 2014.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY AND ANONYMITY

Your identity will be kept strictly confidential during the entire research process, and the survey data itself will be collected anonymously. Department administrators and HHMI grant co-PI's Kimberly Tanner, Ph.D. and Carmen Domingo, Ph.D. will not have access to any data with personal identifiers. If you choose to share your name and email to receive your gift card, this information will be separated from your survey responses. Anonymous data or findings from this study might be included in various publications and presentations, but only as a group.

#### PARTICIPATION AND WITHDRAWAL

You can choose whether to participate and you may withdraw from this study at any time. Choosing not to participate or choosing to withdraw at any point will mean that your responses will not be included in data analysis or reporting for research purposes.

#### IDENTIFICATION OF INVESTIGATORS

If you have any questions or concerns about the study, please feel free to contact Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. , or their research advisor, Kimberly Tanner, Ph.D.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the manner in which this study is conducted, you may contact Human and Animal Protections at **Concerns and Concerns** or **Concerns** or **Concerns** or **Concerns** or **Concerns** of **Conce** 

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Research Fellow SEPAL

Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Research Fellow SEPAL

This study has been reviewed and approved by the SFSU Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects, Protocol Number: X13-29R1; Approval Date: April 22, 2014 Expedited; Expiration Date: This approval expires on April 30, 2015.

\* Please respond to the following first person statement. NOTE: Your decision whether or not to take part in this research will have no influence on your present or future status at San Francisco State University.

"I have read the procedures described above. By checking "Agree" below, I am electronically signing this document and consenting to participate in this study."

Agree

Disagree

If you would like a copy of your electronically signed Informed Consent Letter, please email Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. a

#### Introduction to the Survey

Over the next few pages, you will be asked questions about your experiences in your biology course(s) at SFSU this semester. You will first be asked to identify the course and the course section that you will be sharing your impressions on. Please limit your answers on this survey to your experiences in that specific course.

If you are teaching more than one course, you will be given the opportunity to retake this survey for those additional courses.

Thank you in advance for your honest and complete answers to the following questions. All responses will be kept strictly confidential.

\* Please select ONE biology class you are currently teaching. All of your answers to the survey should refer SOLELY to this class. If you are teaching more than one biology class you will be asked to take this survey again later.

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$\bigcirc$	BIOL 160 - Marine Biology	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 613 - Human Physiology Laboratory
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 170 - Animal Diversity	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 616 - Cardiorespiratory Physiology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 176 - Science and Politics of Stem Cell Biology	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 617 - Environmental Physiology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 210 - General Microbiology and Public Health	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 618 - Biology of Aging
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 211 - General Microbiology and Public Health	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 623 - Pharmacology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 212 - Principles of Human Physiology	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 625 - Hematology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 213 - Principles of Human Physiology Laboratory	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 627 - Biophysics
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$\bigcirc$	BIOL 230 - Introductory Biology I	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 640 - Cellular Neuroscience
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 240 - Introductory Biology II	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 642 - Neural Systems Physiology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 310 - Biology for Today's World	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 694 - Cooperative Internship in Biology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 313 - Principles of Ecology	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 702 - Biology of the Algae
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 317 - Ecology of California	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 710 - Advanced Biometry
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 318 - Our Endangered Planet	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 711 - Immunoassays
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 322 - Human Sexuality: Integrative Science	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 716 - Skills for Scientific Proposal Writing
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 326 - Disease!	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 723 - Pharmacology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 327 - AIDS: Biology of the Modern Epidemic	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 731 - Animal Physiology Laboratory
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 328 - Human Anatomy	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 738 - Bioinformatics and Genome Annotation
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 330 - Human Sexuality	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 760 Cancer Rielegy
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 337 - Evolution	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 732 Advances in Diamodical Microhiology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 350 - Cell Biology	$\bigcirc$	Microbiology
$\bigcirc$	BIOL 351 GW - Experiments in Cell and Molecular Biology -	$\bigcirc$	BIOL 782 - Developmental Biology
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BIOL 355 - Genetics	3		BIOL 793	- Reproduct	ive Technologi	es	
BIOL 356 - Honors G	Genetics		BIOL 814	- Plant Taxo	nomy		
BIOL 357 - Molecula	ar Genetics		BIOL 821	- Fire Ecolo	ах		
BIOL 380 - Evolution	nary Developmental Bio	ology	BIOL 840	- Community	y Ecology		
BIOL 382 - Develop	mental Biology		BIOL 861	- Biology of	the Cell Cycle		
BIOL 401 - General	Microbiology		BIOL 861	- Gene Expr	ression		
BIOL 402 - General	Microbiology Laborator	у	BIOL 861	- Genetic Sy	vstems: Forms	and Consequence	es
BIOL 425 - Emergin	g Diseases		BIOL 861	- Topics in D	Development		
BIOL 435 - Immunol	logy		BIOL 862	- Fungal Syr	mbioses		
BIOL 442 - Microbia	l Physiology		BIOL 862	- Nextgen S	equencing App	roaches in Ecolo	gy,
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BIOL 475 - Herpetol	ogy		<ul> <li>BIOL 871</li> </ul>	- Colloquium	n in Microbiolog	av. Cell and Mole	cular
BIOL 478 - Ornitholo	ogy		Biology			,	
BIOL 482 - Ecology			BIOL 872 Conservat	- Colloquium tion	n in Ecology, E	volution, and	
BIOL 502 - Biology of	of the Algae		BIOL 881	- Current Re	esearch Topics	in Biology	
BIOL 514 - Plant Ta	xonomy		<ul> <li>BIOL 883</li> </ul>	- Current RT	C Research		
BIOL 534 - Wetland	Ecology		SCI 750 -	Scientific Te	aching for Scie	entists	
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Other (please specify)							
* What section(s) of th	e course do you te	ach? Select all	that apply.				
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Read each of the statements below and indicate if you agree, disagree or are not sure.

Your answers should be specific to the course you just selected.

#### IN THIS COURSE ...

	Agree	Disagree	Not Sure
the instructor spends most of the class time lecturing.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor encourages student discussion.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
students sometimes work with one or more partners during class time.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor tries to learn all of the students' names.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor has favorite students.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor regularly includes examples from everyday life during class.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
homework assignments consist mostly of textbook reading.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor spends most of the class time standing in front of the students.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor collects information about what students think in ways other than quizzes and exams.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
exams focus on testing students' ability to memorize facts.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor mixes short lectures with activities throughout the lesson.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
student grades are based primarily on a set number of exams.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor asks for student feedback about the class throughout the semester.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
students typically sit quietly and do not speak to their classmates or their instructor.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor explains to students why they are being asked to do things in class.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor regularly answers his/her own questions right after asking them.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
students are asked to share their ideas out loud in class.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

Does the class you are teaching contain a "lecture portion?"
Yes
Νο

In the "lecture portion" of your course, please estimate the percentage of class-time spent on student activities, questions, and discussion.

Percent of class-time

In the "lecture portion" of your course, please indicate how frequently you use the following teaching strategies.

	In nearly every class	Weekly	Several times	Once or twice	Never	Don't know
Traditional Lecture	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Lecture with demonstration	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Lecture in which questions posed by instructor are answered by individual students	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Lecture in which questions posed by instructor are answered simultaneously by the entire class	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Small group discussions or think-pair-share	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Whole-class discussions	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Classroom debates or role-playing	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
In-class exercises	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Fieldwork	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

Requesting Permission to Survey Your Students...

Do we have your permission to administer this survey to your students so that we can get data about their perceptions of this course?

NOTE: All data would be kept confidential and we would share the aggregate findings with you. Eventually, anonymous findings from this study might be included in various publications and presentations.

Yes

) No

Demographics Questions
Which of the following best describes your general research area? (check all that apply)
Botany
Cell & Molecular Biology
Ecology
Marine Biology
microbiology
Physiology
Zoology
Clinical Science
Other (please specify)
As an undergraduate student, my field of study was
As a doctoral student, my field of study was
I most closely identify as
Male
Female
O Decline to State
Other (please specify)

I most closely identify as (choose all that apply)	
African American	
Asian	
Filipino/Pacific Islander	
Latino / Chicano	
Native American	
White	
Decline to State	
Other (please specify)	

### To Receive Your Gift Card

So that we can both provide you with feedback from your specific students and give you the gift card of your choice please enter your name and email address below.

This personal information will in NO WAY be affiliated with your responses to the previous questions on this survey.

Name:	
Email Address:	

Please select which gift card you would prefer:

- Peet's Coffee
- Amazon
- Target

Are you teaching multiple biology courses?

IF YOU ARE TEACHING MORE THAN ONE COURSE IN SPRING 2014, READ ON!

We ask that you complete the survey for all the courses you are teaching in Spring 2014. If you do so, YOU WILL RECEIVE A \$20 gift card FOR EACH COURSE!

PLEASE PASTE THE LINK INTO A NEW BROWSER WINDOW to complete the survey for another of your Spring 2014 Courses.

Thank you for your time and thoughtfulness in responding to this survey of Faculty Perceptions of College Biology Classrooms!

If you have any concerns about this survey or suggestions for its improvement, please contact:

Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow, SEPAL

Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow, SEPAL

### 1. Informed Consent Letter

#### Dear Student,

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You were invited to participate in this study because you are a student at SFSU who is currently (Spring 2014) taking at least one course offered by the Biology Department. Your participation in this study is voluntary.

#### PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY

The purpose of this study is to investigate the perceptions of SFSU students of their experiences in their biology courses.

#### PROCEDURES

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#### POTENTIAL BENEFITS TO YOU AND/OR SOCIETY

There are no direct benefits to participants. However, participation will allow you to share your perceptions of your biology courses and reported results may have the potential to improve classroom experiences for SFSU students in Biology classrooms.

#### PAYMENT FOR PARTICIPATION

Each student who responds to the survey will be given the chance to enter into a raffle drawing with over 30 prizes. Students who are enrolled in multiple biology courses may take the survey for each course and receive an entry for each course survey for courses for which their enrollment can be verified.

Raffle prizes include:

- An iPad mini
- One of five \$50 Amazon gift cards
- One of twenty five \$10 Peet's gift cards.

If you would like to enter the raffle, you will be asked to submit your name and email at the end of the survey, so we can contact you if you win. This information will NOT be associated with your survey responses.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY AND ANONYMITY

Your identity will be kept strictly confidential during the entire research process, and the survey data itself will be collected anonymously. If you choose to share your name and email to enter the raffle, this information will be separated from your survey responses. Anonymous data or findings from this study might be included in various publications and presentations, but only as a group.

No individual student responses will be shared with your instructor. Grouped (confidential) responses will only be shared after grades have been submitted. Furthermore, your responses and participation will have no influence on your grade in any of your courses.

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This survey has been redacted to protect instructor and researcher privacy.

PARTICIPATION AND WITHDRAWAL

You can choose whether to participate and you may withdraw from this study at any time. Choosing not to participate or choosing to withdraws at any point will mean that your responses will not be included in data analysis or reporting for research purposes.

IDENTIFICATION OF INVESTIGATORS

If you have any questions or concerns about the study, please feel free to contact Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. (1997), or their research advisor, Kimberly Tanner, Ph.D. (1997), and (1997), and (1997), and (1997).

RIGHTS OF RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS

If you have questions or concerns regarding the manner in which this study is conducted, you may contact Human and Animal Protections at the study of the study o

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Research Fellow SEPAL

Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Research Fellow SEPAL

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"I have read the procedures described above. By checking "Agree" below, I am electronically signing this document and consenting to participate in this study"

Agree

Disagree

If you would like a copy of your electronically signed Informed Consent Letter, please email Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. at

### 2. Introduction to the Survey

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If you are taking more than one course, you will be given the opportunity to re-take this survey for those additional courses.

Thank you in advance for your honest and complete answers to the following questions. All responses will be kept strictly confidential.

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* Please select ONE biology course you are currently t SOLELY to this class. If you are taking more than one again.	aking. All of your answers to the survey should refer e biology class you will be asked to take this survey
BIOL 100 - Human Biology	BIOL 586 - Marine Ecology Laboratory
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BIOL 211 - General Microbiology and Public Health	BIOL 623 - Pharmacology
BIOL 212 - Principles of Human Physiology	BIOL 625 - Hematology
BIOL 213 - Principles of Human Physiology Laboratory	BIOL 627 - Biophysics
BIOL 220 - Principles of Human Anatomy	BIOL 631 GW - Animal Physiology Laboratory - GWAR
BIOL 230 - Introductory Biology I	BIOL 638 - Bioinformatics and Genome Annotation
BIOL 240 - Introductory Biology II	BIOL 640 - Cellular Neuroscience
BIOL 310 - Biology for Today's World	BIOL 642 - Neural Systems Physiology
BIOL 313 - Principles of Ecology	BIOL 694 - Cooperative Internship in Biology
BIOL 317 - Ecology of California	BIOL 702 - Biology of the Algae
BIOL 318 - Our Endangered Planet	BIOL 710 - Advanced Biometry
BIOL 322 - Human Sexuality: Integrative Science	BIOL 711 - Immunoassays
BIOL 326 - Disease!	BIOL 716 - Skills for Scientific Proposal Writing
BIOL 327 - AIDS: Biology of the Modern Epidemic	BIOL 723 - Pharmacology
BIOL 328 - Human Anatomy	BIOL 731 - Animal Physiology Laboratory
BIOL 330 - Human Sexuality	BIOL 738 - Bioinformatics and Genome Annotation
BIOL 337 - Evolution	BIOL 760 - Cancer Biology
BIOL 350 - Cell Biology	BIOL 773 - Advances in Biomedical Microbiology: Molecular Microbiology
BIOL 351 GW - Experiments in Cell and Molecular Biology - GWAR	BIOL 782 - Developmental Biology

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BIOL 355 - Genetics	BIOL 784 - Cell Culture and Stem Cell Techniques
BIOL 356 - Honors Genetics	BIOL 793 - Reproductive Technologies
BIOL 357 - Molecular Genetics	BIOL 814 - Plant Taxonomy
BIOL 380 - Evolutionary Developmental Biology	BIOL 821 - Fire Ecology
BIOL 382 - Developmental Biology	BIOL 840 - Community Ecology
BIOL 401 - General Microbiology	BIOL 861 - Biology of the Cell Cycle
BIOL 402 - General Microbiology Laboratory	BIOL 861 - Gene Expression
BIOL 425 - Emerging Diseases	BIOL 861 - Genetic Systems: Forms and Consequences
BIOL 435 - Immunology	BIOL 861 - Topics in Development
BIOL 442 - Microbial Physiology	BIOL 862 - Fungal Symbioses
BIOL 446 - Microbial Genomics	BIOL 862 - Nextgen Sequencing Approaches in Ecology, Systematics and Evolution
BIOL 458 - Biometry	BIOL 862 - Current Topics in Ecology
BIOL 475 - Herpetology	BIOL 863 - Plankton Ecology
BIOL 478 - Ornithology	BIOL 871 - Colloquium in Microbiology, Cell and Molecular
BIOL 482 - Ecology	Biology
BIOL 502 - Biology of the Algae	BIOL 872 - Colloquium in Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation
BIOL 514 - Plant Taxonomy	BIOL 881 - Current Research Topics in Biology
BIOL 534 - Wetland Ecology	BIOL 883 - Current RTC Research
BIOL 572 - Colloquium in Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation	SCI 750 - Scientific Teaching for Scientists
	Other (Please specify in the box below)
Other (please specify)	
* What SECTION of the course are you in?	
$\bigcirc 01 \bigcirc 02 \bigcirc 03 \bigcirc 04 \bigcirc 05 \bigcirc 06 \bigcirc 07 \bigcirc$	$08 \bigcirc 09 \bigcirc 10 \bigcirc 11 \bigcirc 12 \bigcirc 13 \bigcirc 14 \bigcirc 15$
$\bigcirc$ 16 $\bigcirc$ 17 $\bigcirc$ 18 $\bigcirc$ 19 $\bigcirc$ 20	

\* Which of the following faculty teach the course you are sharing your impressions of? Please, choose ALL that apply.

### 4.

Read each of the statements below and indicate if you agree, disagree or are not sure.

Your answers should be specific to the course and instructor(s) you just selected.

#### IN THIS COURSE ...

	Agree	Disagree	Not Sure
the instructor spends most of the class time lecturing.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor encourages student discussion.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
students sometimes work with one or more partners during class time.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor tries to learn all of the students' names.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor has favorite students.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor regularly includes examples from everyday life during class.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
homework assignments consist mostly of textbook reading.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor spends most of the class time standing in front of the students.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor collects information about what students think in ways other than quizzes and exams.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
exams focus on testing students' ability to memorize facts.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor mixes short lectures with activities throughout the lesson.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
student grades are based primarily on a set number of exams.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor asks for student feedback about the class throughout the semester.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
students typically sit quietly and do not speak to their classmates or their instructor.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor explains to students why they are being asked to do things in class.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
the instructor regularly answers his/her own questions right after asking them.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
students are asked to share their ideas out loud in class.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

5.	
Does the class you are taking contain a "lecture portion?"	
Yes	
No	

6.

In the "lecture portion" of your course, please estimate the percentage of class-time spent on student activities, questions, and discussion.

Percent of class-time

In the "lecture portion" of your course, please indicate how frequently your instructor uses the following teaching strategies.

	In nearly every class	Weekly	Several Times	Once or Twice	Never	Don't Know
Traditional lecture	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Lecture with demonstration	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Lecture in which questions posed by instructor are answered by individual students	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Lecture in which questions posed by instructor are answered simultaneously by the entire class	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Small group discussion or think-pair-share	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Whole-class discussions	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Classroom debates or role-playing	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
In-class exercises	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Fieldwork	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

7. Demographics Questions	
What is your CURRENT educational status?	
Undergraduate Student	
Post-bachelors Student	
Graduate Student	
College of Extended Learning student	
Other (please specify)	
What is your CLIDDENT class standing?	
<ul> <li>Sophomore</li> </ul>	
Junior	
Senior	
Is your degree program in the Biology Department?	
Yes No	
Are you a transfer student?	
Yes No	
Anticipated Semester and Year of Graduation	
Semester Ye	ear
Date	

I most closely identify as
Male
Female
Decline to State
Other (please specify)
I most closely identify as (choose all that apply)
African American
Asian
Filipino/Pacific Islander
Latino / Chicano
Native American
White
Decline to State
Other (please specify)

# 8. If you would like to be entered in the raffle...

If you would like to be entered in the raffle, please enter your name and email address below.

This personal information will in NO WAY be affiliated with your responses to the previous questions on this survey.

Name:	
Email Address:	

9. Are you taking multiple biology courses?

Are you taking more than one biology course in Spring 2014?

If so, we request that you answer this survey again for each remaining course. If you do so, you will have an additional raffle entry. To do this, please paste the link below into a new browser window.

Note: Multiple entries FOR THE SAME COURSE will NOT result in multiple raffle entries. In addition, entries for courses which you are not enrolled in will also NOT result in raffle entries.

#### 10.

Thank you for your time and thoughtfulness in responding to this survey on the experiences of SFSU faculty and students in Biology courses.

If you have any concerns about this survey or suggestions for its improvement, please contact

Gloriana Trujillo, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow, SEPAL

Shannon Seidel, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow, SEPAL Dear HHMI Biology FEST colleague,

You are being asked to participate in a short, 5-question survey about your motivations for participation in HHMI Biology FEST: Faculty Explorations in Scientific Teaching. It should only take 5-10 minutes to complete.

All data will be collected using a password protected survey system (Surveymonkey.com). Your name will not be associated with your individual responses. Your identity will be kept strictly confidential during the entire research process. Department administrators and HHMI grant co-PI's Kimberly Tanner, Ph.D. and Carmen Domingo, Ph.D. will not have access to any data with personal identifiers.

If you have any questions or concerns about the study, please feel free to contact Melinda Owens,

 Ph.D.
 , Kimberly Tanner, Ph.D.

 , or Carmen Domingo, Ph.D.
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Thank you in advance for your participation!

The HHMI Biology FEST team

$\bigcirc$	ONLY the HHMI Biology FEST Scientific Teaching Institute (1 week workshop on Scientific Teaching) $ta$	Note for SM4: This choice akes respondent to pg. 4.)
$\Box$	<b>BOTH</b> the HHMI Biology FEST Scientific Teaching Institute <b>AND</b> one or more of the following activities: - Teaching Square (Regular meetings with other HHMI Biology FEST instructors on teaching) - Classroom Partnership (Teaching collaboration with a master's student or postdoc) - Changing Minds/ Talk Matters (Classroom evidence collection and classroom audio recording)	(Note for SM4: This choi takes respondent to pg. 3.

Your reasons for	participating in HHMI	Biology FEST
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What were the primary reasons you <b>INITIALLY</b> decided to participate in HHMI Biology FEST? Please use
complete sentences to list up to 2 reasons.

Reason 1:	
Reason 2:	

What are the primary reasons you have **CONTINUED** to participate in HHMI Biology FEST? Please use complete sentences to list up to 2 reasons.

Reason 1:	
Reason 2:	

What could inspire you to participate in HHMI Biology FEST activities again in the future? Please use complete sentences to list up to 2 reasons.

Reason 1:	
Reason 2:	

Your reasons for	participating in	HHMI Biology FES1
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What were the primary reasons you **INITIALLY** decided to participate in HHMI Biology FEST? Please use complete sentences to list up to 2 reasons.

Reason 1: Reason 2:

What could inspire you to participate in HHMI Biology FEST again? Please use complete sentences to list up to 2 reasons.

Reason 1:

Reason 2:

Your perception of HHMI Biology FEST's impact on you

For each statement, fill in the blank with the choice that best matches your opinion. As a result of my participation in HHMI Biology FEST, I feel that...

	Increased	Decreased	Not changed
my willingness to take risks with my teaching has	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my interactions with departmental colleagues around teaching have	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my willingness to reflect on and make changes in my teaching has	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my willingness to be an ambassador for teaching with other scientists has	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

For each statement, fill in the blank with the choice that best matches your opinion. As a result of my participation in HHMI Biology FEST, I feel that...

	Strongly positively	Positively	Negatively	Strongly negatively	Not applicable
my teaching has been affected.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my relationships with departmental colleagues have been affected.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my confidence in my teaching has been affected.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my sense of belonging in my department has been affected.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my career has been affected.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
my research has been affected.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

Is there anything else you'd like to share with us?

Thank you for your time and thoughtfulness in responding to this survey!

If you have any questions or concerns about this survey, please contact Melinda Owens, Colin Harrison, Kimberly Tanner, or Carmen Domingo.

The HHMI Biology FEST team