

University of Manitoba Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences Department of Animal Science

COURSE DETAILS

Course Title & Number: ANSC 7140 Animal Science Seminar MSc

Number of Credit Hours: 3

Class Times & Days of Week: Tuesday. Fall: 10:00 - 11:15am

Winter: 11:30am - 12:45pm

Location for

classes/labs/tutorials:

219 Animal Science/Entomology

Pre-Requisites: Currently enrolled in an Animal Science graduate MSc program.

Instructor Contact Information

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Science/Entomology

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Use the University of Manitoba email accounts for all communication, quote the number of the course to which your

query is directed (e.g. ANSC 7140) to avoid ambiguity.

Telephone communication is welcome but please do not leave voicemail messages. I will respond to e-mail within 24 h during the week (Mon to Fri). Do not expect detailed or lengthy e-mail responses. If your e-mail question(s) require such a response I

may ask you to meet me in my office instead.

Contact: You are welcome to contact us by phone or email during the time

outlined above.

Traditional Territory or Land Acknowledgment

The University of Manitoba campuses are located on original lands of Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

Equity and Inclusion Commitment

Respect is a two-way street, and an equal and inclusive environment is good for all of us. Ability is different to experience and not related to socio-cultural background, and all students can be excellent.

Course description

Animal Science Seminar Series includes sessions that are devoted to research and extension or update/review of topics in animal-agriculture.

In addition to scheduled student presentations, the seminar course will include guest speakers internal and external to the faculty/university.

This course also encompasses the Annual Animal Science Special Seminar in Honour of Dr. T.K. (Stan) Cheung during the Winter term. This special seminar is intended to invite prominent scientists, industry or government representatives in the area of animal science to be guest speakers and provide the opportunity for the speaker to meet, converse and interact with the students of this class.

Course Goals

The program also creates a mutually supportive and positive learning environment so graduate students can share their results, obtain feedback on their work, and improve their presentation and communication skills. This course will facilitate the development of scholarly writing skills, presentation skills related to dissemination of scientific research to the wider scientific community and industry stakeholders. This course will also develop the skills required to chair scientific seminars and presentations.

Academic Regulations and Policy and Use of Copyrighted Material

Students are directed to the statements on "Cheating, Plagiarism and Fraud" and "Copyright Act" under the Student Affairs website at:

http://umanitoba.ca/student/resource/student_advocacy/cheating_plagiarism_fraud.html.

and the University's Copyright Office website at: http://umanitoba.ca/copyright/

All students are required to familiarize themselves with the many forms that plagiarism can take. Plagiarism is a serious offense and it will not be tolerated.

Recording Class Lectures

No audio or video recording of lectures or presentations is allowed in any format, openly or surreptitiously, in whole or in part without permission of the instructors. Course materials (both paper and digital) are for the participant's private study and research.

Course Technology

It is the general University of Manitoba policy that all technology resources are to be used in a responsible, efficient, ethical and legal manner. Students can use all technology in classroom setting only for educational purposes approved by instructor and/or the University of Manitoba Disability Services. Student should not participate in personal direct electronic messaging / posting activities (e-mail, texting, video or voice chat, wikis, blogs, social networking (e.g. Facebook) online and offline "gaming" during scheduled class time.

Supplementary course guidelines/materials will be provided through UM Learn.

Class Communication

The University requires all students to activate an official University email account.

Please note that all communication between the instructors and you as a student must comply with the electronic communication with student policy (http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/community/electronic_communic_ation_with_students_policy.html). You are required to obtain and use your U of M email account for all communication between yourself and the university.

Expectations:

Attendance in Animal Science Graduate Seminar Series and the Faculty of Agriculture Seminar Series is compulsory for all students who are currently enrolled in MSc program in the Department of Animal Science. On occasions wherein a student is unable to attend the seminar, an attendance exemption form (see UM Learn for template) must be fill out and signed by graduate student before submitting to course instructors. For planned exemption requests (i.e. sample collection, conference attendance, academic exchange, etc.) the form must be submitted in advance; and for exemption requests for any reason beyond student's control (i.e. illness, emergency, etc.) the form must be submitted within a week following the missed session. These records will be retained to monitor annual attendance for each graduate student.

Academic Integrity:

- Guidelines for course requirements and chairperson duties can be found on UM Learn
- All work is to be completed independently unless otherwise specified.

Class Schedule

The class schedule will be distributed at the beginning of term with this document. The schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor and/or needs of the students.

Faculty seminars are held once a month on Wednesdays from 3:00 – 4:30pm in the Carolyn Sifton Lecture Theatre, 130 Agriculture (venue subject to change). During these weeks no Animal Science Seminar will occur unless under extenuating circumstances where additional presentation periods are required.

Grading

Grading for this course is Pass/Fail.

Assignment Descriptions

Over the course of their graduate MSc program students are required to complete four course requirements.

It is advised that students complete one assignment per semester. Guidelines for completion of each activity can be found on UM Learn

Course requirements:

- Literature review: 3000 5000 words. Students must submit a short outline of the proposed literature review (~10 lines) to the instructor at the start of the term and the assignment is due on the last day of that specific term. Upon return of the assignment, students are required to resubmit corrected assignment to the instructors within 30 days. Assignment to be submitted via email to the instructors. Requests for extensions to be made via email to the instructors.
- Extension presentation: Presentation of an animal science related topic with the intended audience of industry/producers.
- Poster presentation: Poster presentation of student's research data.
- Scientific presentation: Oral presentation of student's research data.

Course Evaluation Methods

A combination of written and oral evaluations will be utilized.

- For the literature review, written comments/evaluation will be provided by the instructors on the returned document.
- For the extension, scientific and poster presentations, students will receive oral evaluations from a student evaluator at the time of the presentation. Written evaluations

- will be provided anonymously from two students from the class and two animal science department members. These evaluations will be composited by the instructors and discussed with the student privately following their seminar.
- The chairperson of each seminar class will be evaluated orally by a student from the class and a general evaluator (member of animal science department staff) following the completion of the presentation and question period of each class.

UM Policies

As a student at the University of Manitoba you have rights and responsibilities. It is important for you to know what you can expect from the University as a student and to understand what the University expects from you. Become familiar with the policies and procedures of the University and the regulations that are specific to your faculty, college or school.

The University of Manitoba (UM) website's <u>Governing Documents</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/governance/governing-documents) is one important source of information, in particular the Academic and Students sections. The Student Advocacy office can also help you understand policies and procedures; find their information in the UM Learner Supports section below.

Academic Calendar

The <u>Academic Calendar</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/registrar/academic-calendar) is the University's official publication containing course descriptions, program and graduation requirements, as well as UM and faculty/school-specific rules, regulations and policies. In particular, familiarize yourself with the sections *University Policies and Procedures* and *General Academic Regulations*.

Academic Integrity

In addition to reviewing your instructor's academic integrity policy listed in their syllabus, you are expected to view the *General Academic Regulation* section within the <u>Academic Calendar</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/registrar/academic-calendar) and specifically read the regulation pertaining to Academic Integrity. Ask your instructor for additional information about demonstrating academic integrity in your academic work, and consult the following UM resources for more information and support:

- <u>Academic Integrity</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-integrity)
 - Student Resources (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-integrity#resources-to-conduct-academic-work-with-integrity)
 - Academic Misconduct and How to Avoid It (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-integrity#academic-misconduct-and-how-to-avoid-it)
- <u>Student Advocacy Office</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/student-advocacy)

Copyright

All students are required to respect copyright as per Canada's *Copyright Act*. Staff and students play a key role in the University's copyright compliance as we balance user rights for educational purposes with the rights of content creators from around the world. The <u>Copyright Office</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/copyright/) provides copyright resources and support for all members of the University of Manitoba community.

Grade Appeals

If you have questions about your grades, talk to your instructor. There is a process for term work and final grade appeals. Note that you have the right to access your final examination scripts. See the <u>Registrar's Office</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/registrar/grades/appeal-grade) for more information including appeal deadline dates and the appeal form.

Intellectual Property

For information about rights and responsibilities regarding intellectual property view the <u>Intellectual Property Policy</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/governance/governing-documents/governing-documents-university-community#intellectual-property)

Program-Specific Regulations

For information on regulations that are specific to your academic program, read the section in the

Academic Calendar and on the respective <u>faculty/college/school</u> website (https://umanitoba.ca/academics).

Respectful Work and Learning Environment

The University is committed to a respectful work and learning environment. You have the right to be treated with respect and you are expected to conduct yourself in an appropriate and respectful manner. Policies governing UM community behaviour include:

- Respectful Work and Learning Environment (https://umanitoba.ca/about-um/respectful-work-and-learning-environment-policy)
- <u>Student Discipline</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/governance/governing-documents-students#student-discipline)
- <u>Violent or Threatening Behaviour</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/governance/governing-documents-students#violent-or-threatening-behaviour)

The UM website, <u>Engaging in Respectful Conduct</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/respectful-conduct), includes more details about expectations for behaviours related to university activities.

Sexual Violence Policies

The UM has several policies and procedures that deal with the rights and responsibilities of the University community with regards to all forms of sexual violence. For a comprehensive list of policies and associated resources, visit the Sexual Violence Resource Centre's information page (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/sexual-violence-support-and-education/sexual-violence-get-informed). Please note that there are many supports available in addition to these policy documents (see UM Learner Supports).

Voluntary Withdrawal

Voluntary withdrawal (VW) is a way for students to leave a class without academic penalty once the Registration Revision Period has ended. If you opt to voluntarily withdraw from a course, you will not be eligible for a refund and, if applicable, will still be required to pay any outstanding tuition fees for the course. On your transcript, the course you have withdrawn from will be listed; however, "VW" will appear in lieu of a grade. If you do not drop a course before the VW deadline, you will receive a final grade in the course on your transcript.

Please note that there are separate deadlines for dropping a course early in a term during the Registration Revision Period. Dropping a course means you are removing that course from your schedule, will not be charged tuition fees for that course, and the course will not appear on your transcript.

The Registrar's Office website, <u>Withdraw from a Course</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/registrar/withdraw-course), includes more information on the different ways in which you can withdraw from a course and important dates and deadlines to do so.

UM Learner Supports

Below you will find a select list of important supports for learners at the UM, both academic supports and otherwise. For a complete listing of all learner supports at the University of Manitoba, visit the Everything You Need to Thrive (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports) website.

2SLGBTQIA+ Community

Find your queer community on campus! UM is committed to being an inclusive and welcoming space for all 2SLGBTQ+ students, staff and faculty. Visit the <u>2SLGBTQ+ Community</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/2slgbtq-community) website to access services, find resources, and connect with like-minded people and allies.

Academic Advising

Contact an <u>Academic Advisor</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-advising) for support with degree planning and questions about your academic program and regulations.

Academic Learning Centre (ALC)

The <u>Academic Learning Centre</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-learning) offers one-to-one tutoring, groups study sessions and workshops, as well as video and tip-sheet resources to help you throughout your academic program. All Academic Learning Centre programing, supports, and services are free for UM students.

Make an appointment for free one-to-one tutoring (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-learning/tutoring-group-study#individual-tutoring).

Content tutors (over 90 UM courses) can help you understand concepts and learn problem-solving strategies. Study skills tutors can help you improve your skills such as time management and goal setting, reading and note-taking, as well as learning and test-taking strategies. Writing tutors can give you feedback on your academic writing, whether you are just getting started on a written assignment or already have a draft. English as an Additional Language specialist, Antoanela Denchuk, is available for one-to-one tutoring to help you improve your English-language academic writing skills. Use the drop-down menu, read the tutor

biographies, and make an appointment for tutoring on the <u>Academic Learning Centre schedule</u> (https://manitoba.mywconline.com/).

Attend <u>Supplemental Instruction (SI)</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-learning/tutoring-group-study) sessions in historically difficult courses (including Chemistry, Engineering, and Computer Science). These free weekly review sessions are facilitated by a peer mentor who has previously taken the course and provide an opportunity to discuss course content, ask questions, compare notes, solve practice problems, and develop study strategies. See online for a list of SI courses and meeting times.

Register for an <u>Academic Success Workshop</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-learning/academic-success-workshops), where you can learn strategies to improve your writing and studying. More information on topics, dates, and registration, are found online.

Register for Faculty of Graduate Studies Grad Steps Workshops

(https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/student-experience/graduate-student-workshops). These workshops are specifically designed for students working towards **Master's degrees or PhDs.** More information on topics, dates, and registration can be found online.

Access the Academic Learning Centre's collection of <u>videos and tip sheets</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/academic-learning#tip-sheets-for-writing-and-study-skills) to help you with many of the academic tasks you'll encounter in university.

Contact the Academic Learning Centre by calling 204-480-1481 or emailing academic_learning@umanitoba.ca. Bannatyne students can contact the Bannatyne Student Services office at 204-272-3190.

Basic Needs

It can be difficult to learn and succeed in courses when you are struggling to meet your or your family's basic needs. Several UM and community resources are listed below if you would benefit from support with regards to housing, food, finances, and/or childcare:

- Housing
 - o UM Housing (https://umanitoba.ca/housing)
 - o <u>Winnipeg Rental Network</u> (https://www.winnipegrentnet.ca/)
 - Manitoba Residential Tenancies Branch (https://www.gov.mb.ca/cca/rtb/)
 - HOPE End Homelessness Winnipeg Services & Supports (https://umanitoba.ca/housing)
- Food
 - o <u>U of M Food Bank</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/financial-aid-and-awards/u-m-food-bank)
 - Food Matters Manitoba (https://foodmattersmanitoba.ca/find-emergency-food-in-winnipeg/)
- Finances
 - o UM Financial Aid and Awards (https://umanitoba.ca/financial-aid-and-awards)
 - o Manitoba Student Aid (https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/msa/)

- Child Care
 - o <u>UM Child Care</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/about-um/child-care)
 - o Manitoba Child Care Subsidy (https://bit.ly/3yG3ijy)
 - o Manitoba Child Care Association (https://mccahouse.org/looking-for-child-care/)

English Language Centre

The <u>English Language Centre (ELC)</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/english-language-centre) provides courses, tests, accommodations and individual support to students whose first language is not English in order to support academic success and participation in the University of Manitoba community.

Health and Wellness

Physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health and wellness play a critical role in student success. See all of UM's resource on their <u>Health and Wellness</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/student-health-and-wellness) website, and make note of several specific UM and community supports listed below.

Winnipeg Urgent Physical and Mental Health Care

If you are an adult experiencing a mental health or psychosocial crisis, contact the <u>Klinic Community Health</u> (https://klinic.mb.ca/crisis-support/) 24/7 crisis line at 204-786-8686, visit the <u>Crisis Response Centre</u> (https://sharedhealthmb.ca/services/mental-health/crisis-response-centre/) located at 817 Bannatyne Avenue, or contact the Mobile Crisis Service at 204-940-1781.

To speak with a nurse for guidance on what health-care path to take for the issue you are facing or for general information about health resources available in Manitoba, contact Health Links (https://misericordia.mb.ca/programs/phcc/health-links-info-sante/) at 1-888-315-9257 (toll free).

If you need urgent medical care, visit the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority's <u>Emergency Department & Urgent Care Wait Times</u> webpage (https://wrha.mb.ca/wait-times/) for a list of locations and current wait times.

Student Counselling Centre (SCC)

The <u>Student Counselling Centre</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/student-health-and-wellness/student-counselling-centre-scc) provides free counselling and mental health support to UM, English Language Centre, and International College of Manitoba (ICM) students. We are open year-round, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Our commitment is to offer a support service to every student who contacts us.

Visit the SCC's <u>For Urgent Help</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/student-health-and-wellness/student-counselling-centre-scc#for-urgent-help) webpage or the urgent care resources listed above if you require immediate support.

Visit the SCC's <u>Our Services</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/student-health-and-wellness/student-counselling-centre-scc#for-urgent-help) webpage for more information on accessing a variety of services including individual counselling, counselling workshops and groups, support resources, and learning disability assessment services.

The SCC is located is located at 474 UMSU University Centre (Fort Garry Campus).

Health and Wellness Office

Students often juggle multiple demands, and we recognize that it can be difficult to find balance. For any changes you want to make to your health and wellness, the Health and Wellness Office at the University of Manitoba would like to support you in your journey. We are here to help you take control of your own health and make your own decisions. We are a judgment-free space and we avoid labels whenever possible. For more information, please visit the Health and Wellness Office (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/health-wellness) website.

Spiritual Care and Multifaith Centre

Spiritual care services are available to all, whether you identify as spiritual, atheist, religious or agnostic. <u>Spiritual Services</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/spiritual-services) also offer specific denominational support for certain religious groups and by Indigenous Elders-in-Residence.

Student Support Case Management (SSCM)

Contact the <u>Student Support Case Management team</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/student-advocacy/case-management) if you are concerned about yourself or another student and don't know where to turn. SSCM helps connect students with on and off campus resources, provides safety planning, and offers other supports, including consultation, educational workshops, and referral to the STATIS threat assessment team.

University Health Service (UHS)

The <u>University Health Service</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/health-wellness/university-health-service) offers a full range of medical services to students, including psychiatric consultation, via two health clinics:

- Fort Garry Campus: (204) 474-8411, ACW-Lot temporary trailer (behind the Isbister building)
- Bannatyne Campus: (204) 474-8411, P309 Pathology Building

Student Services at Bannatyne Campus

Student Services at Bannatyne Campus (SSBC) offers a full range of mental health supports to students and residents in the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, along with other academic and personal supports. Visit the SSBC website (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/student-services-bannatyne-campus) for a list of services available.

Indigenous Students

Staff, faculty and Elders are well-equipped to ensure your university experience is as beneficial, accessible, and successful as possible. Visit the Indigenous Student Experience (https://umanitoba.ca/indigenous/student-experience) website for more information on the supports and services available.

International Students

The transition to a new country and a new academic system can be both exciting and overwhelming. The International Centre (IC) is here to help you settle into life at University of Manitoba. Visit the <u>International Students</u> website (https://umanitoba.ca/current-students/international) for more information.

Sexual Violence Support and Education

Sexual violence affects people of all ages, sexual orientations, genders, gender identities, abilities and relationship statuses. At the U of M, we are committed to ensuring a respectful work and learning environment for all. We want to build a safe and inclusive campus community where survivors of sexual violence know they can receive the supports they need to succeed, both academically and personally.

The <u>Sexual Violence Resource Centre</u> (https://umanitoba.ca/sexual-violence), located at 537 UMSU University Centre (Fort Garry campus) provides support, resources, information and referral services for any student, faculty or staff member who has been affected by sexual violence.

Student Accessibility Services (SAS)

The University of Manitoba is committed to providing an accessible academic community. Student Accessibility Services (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/accessibility) offers academic accommodation supports and services such as note-taking, interpreting, assistive technology and exam accommodations. Students who have, or think they may have, a disability (e.g., mental health, learning, medical, hearing, injury-related, visual) are invited to contact SAS to arrange a confidential consultation. SAS is located at 520 University Centre (Fort Garry Campus).

Student Advocacy

Student Advocacy (https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/academic-supports/student-advocacy) is a safe place for students. We help you navigate university processes and advocate for your rights as a student at UM. If anything in your personal or academic life is affecting your studies, contact our confidential intake assistant by phone (204-474-7423) or email (stadv@umanitoba.ca).

University of Manitoba Libraries (UML)

As the primary contact for all research needs, your liaison librarian can play a key role when completing academic papers and assignments. Liaisons can answer questions about managing citations, or locating appropriate resources, and will address any other concerns you have about the research process. Liaisons can be contacted by email or phone, and are also available to meet with you online or in-person. A complete list of liaison librarians can be found by subject (http://bit.ly/WcEbA1).

General library assistance is also available at both the Bannatyne and Fort Garry campuses by visiting any library location (https://www.umanitoba.ca/libraries/locations-and-facilities). When working online, students can receive help via the Ask Us chat button found on the right-hand side of the Libraries' homepage (http://www.umanitoba.ca/libraries).