

## **BIOS 1620 Frequently Asked Questions**

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### **What is the textbook for the course?**

Most professors in the introductory series (1600, 1610, 1620) have agreed to use Brooker et al. Biology with access to the online system known as Connect. This means that students will be able to use this textbook for the three courses, which we hope helps save money.

Students have several options for purchase of this text.

Through the WMU bookstore, you can purchase an unbound (looseleaf) copy of the textbook + Connect access. This is the least expensive way to get a hardcopy of the textbook and allows you to carry in your pack just the sections you need at any one time.

**<https://tinyurl.com/yasdakgu>**

Through the publisher of the textbook McGraw-Hill, you can purchase an e-version of the book + Connect access. During the first week of classed, I'll provide a course-specific link to the site. You'll be able to purchase the e-textbook at that point and then access Connect.

### **Can I use an older version of the textbook?**

That's up to you. I'll give reading assignments that refer to the latest version of the book, so you'll be responsible for matching those up. To gain access to Connect, you'll need to purchase the text either through the bookstore or through the publisher.

### **When do labs begin?**

Labs will begin during the week of September 11. That means, there are no labs during the first week of classes.

### **What can I do to prepare for the course?**

If you've purchased the textbook, you can begin reading. Our first topic is Evolution.

### **Can you send me the syllabus?**

The syllabus will be available on e-learning on the first day of classes.