

BNFO 135. Programming for Bioinformatics

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Course Description:

The ability to use existing programs and to write small programs to access bioinformatics information or to combine and manipulate various existing bioinformatics programs has become a valuable part of the skill set of anyone working with biomolecular or genetic data. This course provides an understanding of the architecture of bioinformatics toolkits and experience in writing small bioinformatics programs using one or more of the scripting ("glue") languages frequently employed for such tasks.

Online Textbook: zyBooks

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Reference Book:

Think Python by Allen B. Downey, 2nd edition. This is an open source book. It is available without charge in HTML and PDF formats at <http://greenteapress.com/wp/think-python-2e/>.

Brief List of Topics to be Covered:

1. Introduction to Python
2. Variables and Expressions
3. Types
4. Branching
5. Loops
6. Function
7. Classes

Grading:

Attendance	10%
Participation Activities	10%
Challenge Activities	20%
Lab Activities	25%
Final	35%
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TOTAL	100%

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