Anthropology/Biology 3138: 2016 Introduction to DNA Molecular Methods

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Time & Place: Lecture/Laboratory Wednesday 9:30 pm – 12:30 pm

Marks & Grading: Lab Reports 50% (5 laboratory write ups worth 10% each)

Midterm Exam 15% Final Exam 20% Assignment 15%

Schedule:

September 7: Lecture 1 Basic Techniques

The Nature of DNA Extraction Chemistry

September 14: Laboratory 1 Laboratory Safety

Basic Laboratory Techniques

September 21: Laboratory 2 The Nature of DNA

September 28: Lecture 2 Purification Chemistry

Laboratory 3 Extraction Methodologies

October 5: Lecture 3 DNA Detection and Quantification

Laboratory 3 Extraction Methodologies

October 12: Mid-Semester Study Break

October 19: Midterm

October 26: Lecture 4 History of the Polymerase Chain Reaction

Laboratory 3 Extraction Methodologies

November 2: Lecture 5 Electrophoresis

Laboratory 4 PCR Amplification

November 9: Lecture 6 DNA Sequencing

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November 16: Lecture 7 DNA Data Analysis

Laboratory 5 DNA Sequence Analysis

November 23: Lecture 8 Various other techniques

Laboratory 5 Sequence Alignment

November 30: Lab and Final Exam