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Fall 2020 Course Syllabus
Biology 1010: The Evolution & Diversity of Life
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Personal Electronic Journal (eJ) Requirements
The reason you are creating these eJs is to articulate what you are learning in a way that is a radical alternative
to the usual science tests. To ensure that you stay up to date with what we are doing in class there will be due
dates for assignments that are submitted in Blazeview on a regular basis. The grades on these assignments will
be an indication of how well you are doing. All it takes to pass this course is a solid work ethic and willingness
to learn the science. If you do not remember much from your K-12 science classes, it does not matter. As long
as you are willing to make an effort to do the work, you can succeed in this class.
Each session constitutes one lesson and after the classes you need to ask yourself if you understand the subject
we covered. If you do not feel confident that you grasp the scientific content, it is your responsibility to ask for
help and work harder on this topic for your eJ entries. You will do well in the class if you keep up with the
science and think about what and how you are learning it as we go along. Since there are no tests, you must
document what you have learned from class, through web research, discussions with your classmates, or by
asking one of the instructors.
The eJ