

Hi Everyone,

We hope you've been enjoying the first couple of weeks of our bioinformatics class!

We are starting section next week, and have a few related announcements:

1. **Section Scheduling:** There will be two sections. One will be Wednesday 3-4pm (the first meeting will be 29 Jan 2013). The second section is still unscheduled. If you cannot attend the Wednesday section, please contact Cong at [cong.li@yale.edu](mailto:cong.li@yale.edu) to help him find a time that can work for all of you.
  2. **Weekly assignment for section:** The readings for the first section are based on Jim Noonan's lectures. There are [two papers](#), and we would like you to write 1-2 paragraphs summarizing each paper. Section attendance is required.
  3. **Presentations:** In the Wednesday section, each student will give a 15-20 minute presentation on one of the papers during the semester. **Please email us if you would like to present one of the first two papers in the section next Wednesday.**
- The second section will likely be much smaller, and will have a discussion format. The written assignment will be the same, and you will be graded on a combination of the written assignments and your participation in discussions.
4. **Lecture slides/Course Website:** We are posting the lecture slides in the [class schedule](#), which is on the [course website](#). The course website has all of the important information for the class.
  5. **Quizzes:** There will be four quizzes in the course, as listed on the [class schedule](#). The first quiz will be on 5 Feb 2013. The quizzes will be 20 minutes, and will cover concepts addressed in the lectures. The four quizzes together account for 33% of your grades. Quizzes will be similar in format to those given in [previous years](#).
  6. **Grading:** See grading guidelines [here](#). The weights of different assignments will be slightly different for CBB/CPSC and for MBB/MCDB students. For representative examples of what the problem sets and final projects will be like, see the [websites](#) for previous iterations of the course.
  7. **Registration:** If you still have any questions about which version of the course you should take, please email us or [Professor Gerstein](#). We are happy to talk with you to help you figure out which version of the class is best.

Best,

Michael and Cong

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