

REGULATIONS FOR CLASSES IN THE SUBJECT BIOLOGY WITH GENETICS AND REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

For students of the 1st year of the Medicine and Dentistry program,
in the Department of Medical and Molecular Biology
The Faculty of Medical Sciences in Zabrze
in the academic year 2026/2027

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Classes for the subject Biology with Genetics and Regenerative Medicine are conducted in accordance with the Study Regulations of the Medical University of Silesia in Katowice, constituting the Appendix 1 to Resolution 49/2025 of the Senate of SUM of July 16, 2025. and these Regulations.

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Principles of participation in the classes

1. Classes (lectures, seminars, exercises) are held according to the schedule set by the Dean. For remote classes, the Head of the Department may change the schedule; information regarding the date and platform used will be announced on the Department's website <https://biologia-zabrze.sum.edu.pl>.
2. Attendance at all forms of classes (lectures, seminars, and exercises) is mandatory.
3. The student must attend classes with the student group assigned to them for the given academic year or in accordance with the IOS implementation plan approved by the Dean.
4. Students are required to arrive punctually for in-person classes and log in punctually for e-learning classes.
5. Students must come prepared for the class based on the provided reading materials. Lack of preparation will be considered as a failure to pass the class.
6. During classes held at the University, the student is obligated to:
 - Maintain medical confidentiality and adhere to data protection laws in line with GDPR,
 - Abide by the oath and regulations of SUM, including respecting the dignity of all participants in the learning process and upholding the good name of the University,
 - Comply with health and safety regulations,
 - Complying with the rules/regulations in force at the place where classes are conducted (Hospitals, Clinics, UCS, CSM, etc.);
 - Use personal protective equipment as instructed by the Department (wearing a lab coat during exercises and using protective gloves when handling biological material).
 - Having exercise cards, a notebook and a set of colored pencils.

- Document observations from microscopy in the exercise cards.
- 7. Students must care for the teaching environment, ensuring cleanliness and the proper condition of the equipment used. Any defects should be reported to the academic staff. In the event of damage, an Equipment Damage Report will be prepared. Students are liable for intentional and accidental damages.
- 8. Food consumption and bringing unnecessary personal items into class are prohibited; personal items should be stored in the cloakroom.
- 9. At the place where classes are held, the Student is obliged to comply with the prohibitions specified in the Regulations of Studies at the Medical University of Silesia, including, among others:
 - consuming alcohol or being present on University premises under the influence of alcohol,
 - possessing, using, or distributing narcotic drugs and psychoactive substances, or being present on University premises under their influence,
 - bringing onto or using on University premises objects that pose a threat to life or health.
- 10. The use of electronic devices and audiovisual recording is strictly prohibited during classes and assessments.
- 11. All teaching materials are protected by intellectual property rights. Any violation (e.g., recording, photographing, copying) will result in disciplinary action.
- 12. The Student is required to notify the Dean of any cases of violations of the rules and regulations in force at the University.

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Rules for Excusing Absences and Making Up Classes

1. Every absence from classes must be justified in accordance with §15 of the Study Regulations at SUM.
2. All absences must be justified by presenting the relevant documentation (e.g., medical certificate) to the instructor within five working days after the cause of the absence.
3. Missed classes should be made up with another group at a time agreed with the Unit Head or their representative.
4. Regardless of the reason for absence, students must undergo a verification of the acquired learning outcomes under terms set by the Unit Head or their representative within 3 class weeks of the cause of the absence ending.

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Rules for Completing the Classes

1. The condition for passing the course is attendance in all scheduled forms of classes (lectures, seminars, exercises) and receiving positive grades in all assessment tests (oral or written) that verify learning outcomes.
2. In case of a student's absence from an assessment test on the scheduled date (within three weeks of class sessions from receiving a failing grade), they may attend the next date set by the teacher, which will be treated as a retake.
3. The student has the right to retake each assessment test twice, within 3 weeks of receiving the failing grade.

4. If the student fails the test despite two retake attempts, they are entitled to take a comprehensive assessment test (written) covering the entire material included in the course (exercises/seminars).
5. The dates of assessment tests are determined by the Head of the Department conducting the course.
6. Failure to attend the assessment test on the date set by the Head of the Department results in the loss of that assessment opportunity.
7. A student who fails to complete a course will not be permitted to take the exam, receiving an unsatisfactory grade.
8. A student has the right to attempt to complete the course before each resit examination date.

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Final Course Completion Rules (Exam)

1. The form of the final course examination Biology with Genetics and Regenerative Medicine is an exam after the first semester.
2. On a given day, the Student may take an exam / graded credit only in one course.
3. A prerequisite for taking the final examination in a course is obtaining credit for all course classes.
4. The date of the final examination is set and announced to Students in accordance with §19 of the Study Regulations at SUM.
5. Failure to obtain credit for classes or an unexcused absence of the Student from the exam on the scheduled date is equivalent to receiving a failing grade on that attempt.
6. The scope of the exam includes materials from lectures, seminars, classes, and the recommended literature.
7. The exam is conducted in a written test form or orally (exam in advance).
8. In accordance with the Study Regulations at SUM, for exams conducted in the form of a test, a passing grade is obtained after achieving 65% correct answers.
9. If a Student is unable to attend the exam, they must inform the Examiner immediately, no later than within 3 working days after the reason for the absence has ceased.
10. A resit exam is conducted in the same form as the original exam.
11. If a Student receives a failing grade at the first attempt, they are entitled to two resit exams.
12. The first or second resit exam, upon a written request of the Student or the Examiner, may be conducted as a commission exam. A commission exam is extraordinary in nature and cannot be treated as an additional attempt.
13. The Examiner may allow outstanding Students to take the theoretical exam early, i.e. before the start of the examination session, for students who excel academically and have obtained an average grade of ≥ 4.80 from all partial assessments on the first attempt.
14. A prerequisite for taking the theoretical exam early is obtaining credit for all classes in the course and fulfilling the above-mentioned requirements.
15. A positive grade obtained in an early exam is final.
16. During the exam, the Student is strictly prohibited from contacting other persons, either directly or via electronic devices, and from using any unauthorized materials. Failure to comply with these rules constitutes grounds for interrupting the exam, which is equivalent to the Student receiving a failing grade, in accordance with §14 of the Study Regulations at SUM.
17. The final grade for the subject Biology with genetics is based on the results of the

theoretical exam. If all partial credit tests are passed on the first attempt, the exam result is increased by additional bonus points, depending on the average grade obtained, according to the following table:

Average partial credit	Bonus points
3.0 – 3.49	+1
3.5 – 3.99	+3
4.0 – 4.49	+5
4.5 – 4.99	+7
5.0	+9

Bonus points are awarded for all exam dates (excluding the early exam).

18. A positive grade obtained in the exam is final. A resit exam for the purpose of improving an already positive grade is not permitted.

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Rules for consultations with the academic teacher

Consultations with the academic teacher are conducted according to the schedule available on the Unit's website <https://biologia-zabrze.sum.edu.pl>

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Ongoing administrative matters related to teaching

1. Matters related to teaching, such as submitting requests for making up classes, should be handled electronically:
 - a. contact with the Department's office: email address: **biolmedzab@sum.edu.pl**
 - b. contact with the Exercise Supervisor, **Krzysztof Biernacki** email address: **kbiernacki@sum.edu.pl**
2. Electronic correspondence with SUM employees and entities should be conducted via the student's email account.
3. The student is obliged to read messages sent to their account in the domain **s.....@365.sum.edu.pl**.

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Disputed issues and those not covered by these regulations will be resolved in accordance with the current Study Regulations of the Medical University of Silesia in Katowice, which constitutes Annex No. 1 to Resolution No. 49/2025 of the SUM Senate dated July 16, 2025.

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Depending on the current epidemic situation and the resulting Ordinances of the Rector of the Medical University of Silesia, changes to the mode and form of conducting classes, assessments, and exams may be introduced .

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The regulations come into effect on October 1, 2026.

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Signature of the Head of the Unit implementing the course

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Signature of the Dean of the Faculty of Medical Sciences in Zabrze