## BEHAVIORAL PHARMACOLOGY 830:463 Spring 2021

(course index: 10860)

"Office Hours": Monday 9:00-10:00 (see below)
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optional text: Julien A Primer of Drug Action (any edition)

week	date	topic
01	01/17	Introduction
02	01/24	Central Nervous System
03	01/31	Resting Membrane Potential
04	02/07	Action Potential & Exocytosis
05	02/14	Pharmacology
06	02/21	Behavior
06	02/25	EXAM I at noon-1:00
07	02/28	Dopamine
08	03/07	Parkinson's Disease
XX	03/14	SPRING BREAK - NO LECTURE
09	03/21	Schizophrenia
10	03/28	Drug Self Administration
11	04/04	Developmental Disorders
11	04/08	EXAM II at noon-1:00
12	04/11	Norepinephrine & Depression
13	04/18	Serotonin
14	04/25	Aggression & Food Intake
15	05/02	Amino Acid & Peptide Neurotransmitters
16	05/11	FINAL EXAM III (version a) at noon-1:00
16	05/??	FINAL EXAM III (version b) at 4:00-5:00

Each week (Sunday Evening) Professor Wagner will post on the Canvas course site PowerPoint Slides and video narrations (Zoom MP4 files) of those slides as lecture material. These posting will occur on or before the above dates and will be announced by e-mail. Students will be responsible for reviewing that material. Students should e-mail questions about the material to Professor Wagner who will answer by e-mail, usually within 24 hrs. Exams will be in essay format, delivered through the Canvas course site. Each will be 1 hr long and will be available at the above posted times.

Learning Objectives: To understand the effects of psychoactive drugs from the single neuron to the functioning of neural systems. The approach will integrate both the evolution and development of the nervous system. The biological bases of abnormal behaviors will provide key insights into the site of drug actions

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Grading: Your exam scores will be averaged: 90-100 = A; 88 or 89 = B+; 80-87 = B; 78 or 79 = C+; 70-77 = C; 68 or 69 = D+; 60-67 = D; below 60 = F
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