

GCSE Biology

Date: 13/9/2021 – 28/6/2022

Day: Tuesday

Time: 7pm – 9pm

Course Information

This is a single award GCSE in Biology (AQA GCSE Biology 8461). This course covers the following topics:

- Cell Biology
- Infection and Response
- Inheritance, variation and evolution
- Ecology
- Homeostasis
- Organisation
- Key biological ideas

Students will also participate in a series of ten practicals.

How will I be assessed?

There are two formal exams of 1hr 45 minutes during May/June.

How much home study will I have to do?

On average we advise 3 hours per week independent study. More may be required during the exam period.

Entry Criteria:

There are no formal entry criteria. However, to be successful and achieve a Grade 4 (or above), you have to commit to regular attendance and completion of classwork and any independent work set by the teacher.

How will I be taught?

Teaching is classroom based and teacher led. Practical using lab equipment take place regularly. We have software to allow practicals to be completed virtually if necessary.

How much does the course cost?

The course fee is £485.50. However, if you are earning below £17,004.00, or are on most means tested benefits, you pay the £80 registration fee.

If you earn above £17,004.00 you will pay the registration fee and course fee. The funding will be discussed in detail at your enrolment appointment.

Please note that your place will not be confirmed on the course until all fees are paid.

Additional costs:

£10 non-refundable administration fee which provides you with a student ID badge and £11 of print credit to use in college. If you are required to purchase a text book the tutor will inform you of this at the first class.

Parking

Parking during the college day is limited, there is plenty of free parking in the surrounding roads if you are unable to park onsite. For evening courses we recommend you use our White's Rd entrance SO19 7NS and enter via the sports centre reception after your first day. On your first day please come to the main college reception we will be here to greet you and show you where to go.

Expectations

We expect you to aim for 100% attendance and attendance is recorded for every timetabled session. Students are automatically withdrawn if they have not attended for 4 consecutive weeks. If a student's attendance falls below 80% their place on the course and their exam entry will be at risk. We place considerable emphasis on excellent attendance and punctuality and ask you to respect and adhere to these values to ensure academic success. Any health concerns will be treated sympathetically and if necessary we will consider implementing the college's Fitness to Study Policy.

To enrol please apply via our website www.itchen.ac.uk

If you have any questions or require further information please contact the

Adult Education team on 02380 446156 or email acet@itchen.ac.uk