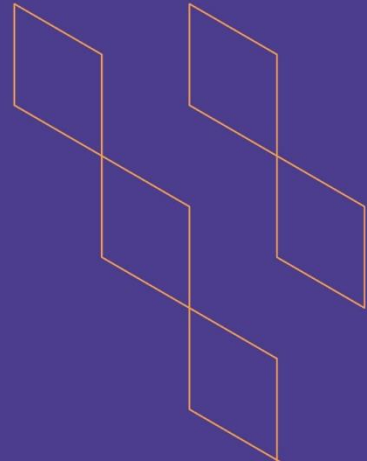




T-104  
2022

## Course Specification



|                     |                                      |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Course Title:       | <b>Animal Ecology &amp; Behavior</b> |
| Course Code:        | <b>ZOOL 454</b>                      |
| Program:            | <b>Biology</b>                       |
| Department:         | <b>Biology</b>                       |
| College:            | <b>Biology</b>                       |
| Institution:        | <b>Jazan University</b>              |
| Version:            | <b>2022</b>                          |
| Last Revision Date: | <b>11/2022</b>                       |



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## A. General information about the course:

### Course Identification

1. Credit hours: 2 Hours

#### 2. Course type

a. University ☐ College ☐ Department ☒ Track ☐ Others ☐

b. Required ☒ Elective ☐

3. Level/year at which this course is offered:

Level 12 – 4<sup>th</sup> Year Biology Program

4. Course general Description; This course deals with the definition of behavior, its types and importance. It will explain the relationship between hormones, neurotransmitters and behavior. The course will give introduction about communicate between animals

5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any): BIOL 301

6. Co- requirements for this course (if any): NONE

7. Course Main Objective(s); This course is designed to provide students with the following concepts:

- The definition of behavior.
- Explain types of behavior and its importance.
- To interpret some behaviors such as social behavior, learning behavior, and the factors that influence them.
- To explain The communication methods between animals .
- To predict the results of some behavioral problems and experiments.
- To debate the relationship between hormones and neurotransmitters with behavior.

### 1. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction  | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|--|---------------|------------|
| 1. | Traditional classroom  | 10 h          | 77%        |
| 2. | E-learning   | 1h            | 7.7        |
| 3. | Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traditional classroom</li> <li>• E-learning</li> </ul> | 1h            | 7.7        |
| 4. | Distance learning  | 1h            | 7.7        |

## 2. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

| No | Activity                              | Contact Hours |
|----|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Lectures                              | 11            |
| 2. | Laboratory/Studio                     | 22            |
| 3. | Field                                 | -             |
| 4. | Tutorial                              | -             |
| 5. | Others (specify) <b>Self Learning</b> | 2             |
|    | <b>Total</b>                          | <b>35</b>     |



## B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes  | Code of CLOs aligned with program | Teaching Strategies                  | Assessment Methods                                  |
|------|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1.0  | Knowledge and understanding   |                                   |                                      |   |
| 1.1  | Defining behavior and identifying its types.  | K1.1                              | Lectures                             | Quizzes, Short Answer Question, MCQs                |
| 1.2  | Explain factors affecting the behavior and the mechanisms that affect it.                                 | K2.1                              | Lectures, Lab work                   | Quizzes, Short Answer Question, MCQs                |
| 1.3  | Interpret some behaviors such as social behavior, learning behavior, and the factors that influence them. | K3.2                              | Lectures, Group Discussion           | Assignments   |
| 2.0  | Skills  |                                   |                                      |   |
| 2.1  | Debate the behavioral aspects, theories, and processes.   | S1.1                              | Lectures, Lab work                   | Quizzes, Short Answer Question                      |
| 2.2  | Predict the results of some behavioral problems and experiments   | S2.2                              | Lectures, Lab work, Group Discussion | Quizzes, Short Answer Question, Lab work assessment |
| 2.3  | Write a report about any practical or theoretical tasks related to behavioral science.                    | S3.3                              | Lab work                             | Short Answer Question, Assignments                  |
| 3.0  | Values, autonomy, and responsibility  |                                   |                                      |   |
| 3.1  | Illustrate awareness of risk assessment and safety observation when                                       | V2.2                              | Lab work                             | Lab work assessment                                 |





| Code | Course Learning Outcomes                         | Code of CLOs aligned with program | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|      | dealing with various equipment at various fields |                                   |                     |                    |

## C. Course Content

| No    | List of Topics   | Contact Hours |
|-------|--|---------------|
| 1.    | Introduction to behavior - Definition of behavior, types and motives of behavior | 1             |
| 2.    | Natural selection and behavior - Environment and behavioral adaptation           | 2             |
| 3.    | Finding a place to live and territoriality                                       | 1             |
| 4.    | Find food  | 1             |
| 5.    | Living in a population   | Self-learning |
| 6.    | Anti – predator behavior   | Self-learning |
| 7.    | Altruism and instinct  | 1             |
| 8.    | Sexual Behavior and Cooperative Breeding in Birds and Mammals                    | 1             |
| 9.    | Social behavior  | 1             |
|       | Intelligence and behavior regulation   | Self-learning |
|       | Animal communication behavior  | 1             |
|       | Hormones and Behavior - Neurotransmitters and behavior                           | 1             |
|       | Learning, intelligence and experience  | 1             |
| Total |  | 11            |

## D. Students Assessment Activities

| No  | Assessment Activities * | Assessment timing (in week no) | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|-----|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1.  | Written test            | 6 <sup>th</sup> week           | 10%                                  |
| 2.  | group project           | 4 <sup>th</sup> week           | 10%                                  |
| 3.  | group project           | Last week                      | 10%                                  |
| ... |                         |                                |                                      |

\*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)





## E. Learning Resources and Facilities

### 1. References and Learning Resources

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Essential References     | ابراهيم سليمان عيسى. (1998). مبادئ السلوك ، الدار العربية للنشر والتوزيع. مصر.   |
| Supportive References    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nell R. Carlson. (1994). Physiology of Behavior. Fifth edition. Allyn and Bacon. A Division of Paramount Publishing.</li> <li>Aubrey Manning and Marian Stamp Dawkins .(1998). An introduction to Animal Behavior. Fifth edition. Cambridge University Press. USA.</li> </ul>   |
| Electronic Materials     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Animal Behavior<br/><a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/topics/agricultural-and-biological-sciences/animal-behavior">https://www.sciencedirect.com/topics/agricultural-and-biological-sciences/animal-behavior</a></li> <li>Animal Behavior: An Introduction to Behavioral Mechanisms, Development, and Ecology.<br/><a href="https://www.wiley.com/en-us/Animal+Behavior:+An+Introduction+to+Behavioral+Mechanisms,+Development,+and+Ecology,+2nd+Edition-p-9781444313802">https://www.wiley.com/en-us/Animal+Behavior:+An+Introduction+to+Behavioral+Mechanisms,+Development,+and+Ecology,+2nd+Edition-p-9781444313802</a></li> <li>An introduction to Animal Behavior.<br/><a href="https://scholar.google.com/scholar?q=%E2%80%A2+An+introduction+to+Animal+Behavior&amp;hl=ar&amp;as_sdt=0&amp;as_vis=1&amp;oi=scholar">https://scholar.google.com/scholar?q=%E2%80%A2+An+introduction+to+Animal+Behavior&amp;hl=ar&amp;as_sdt=0&amp;as_vis=1&amp;oi=scholar</a></li> <li>Encyclopedia of Animal Behavior, Second Edition.<br/><a href="https://www.elsevier.com/books/encyclopedia-of-animal-behavior/choe/978-0-12-813251-7">https://www.elsevier.com/books/encyclopedia-of-animal-behavior/choe/978-0-12-813251-7</a></li> </ul> |
| Other Learning Materials |  |

### 2. Required Facilities and equipment

| Items  | Resources   |
|--|---|
| facilities<br>(Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.) | 1.Lecture room(s) for groups of 50 students.<br>Laboratory for group of 25 students.1                 |
| Technology equipment<br>(projector, smart board, software)                         | AV, data show, Smart Board  |
| Other equipment<br>(depending on the nature of the specialty)                      | Light microscopes, glassware, chemicals, consumables, dissection tools, Behavior measurement devices. |

## F. Assessment of Course Quality

| Assessment Areas/Issues   | Assessor | Assessment Methods |
|---------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Effectiveness of teaching |          |                    |



| Assessment Areas/Issues                     | Assessor          | Assessment Methods      |
|---|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Effectiveness of students assessment        | Students, Faculty | Direct (Questionnaire)  |
| Quality of learning resources               | Program Leader    | Indirect (QA Committee) |
| The extent to which CLOs have been achieved | QA. Committee     | Indirect (Benchmarking) |
| Other                                       |                   |                         |

**Assessor** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

## G. Specification Approval Data

|                    |                          |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| COUNCIL /COMMITTEE | Biology Department Board |
| REFERENCE NO.      | BIO2214                  |
| DATE               | 20/9/2022AD              |

Course coordinator: **Prof. Dr. Gasim Abutaweel**

Signature:

**Head of Department**

Name: **Dr. ABDULLAH YAHYA MASHRAQI**

Signature:

