ANAT 7830
Research Project Seminar

Goals
1. To develop the skills required for evaluating research, its application and relevance to human structure, physiology and disease
2. To understand how to develop new ideas for solving old and new research questions
3. To present a synthesis of the background, aims and proposed program of research for the MS degree

Course format
This is a seminar presentation course. The student is expected to seek approval and support from Advisor and Course Director for the chosen research topic.
The student will be expected to
(a) consult with and/or rotate through the 6 research labs in the department of structural and cellular biology
(b) review the literature and discuss a research topic with an advisor (namely, the lab PI)
(c) build and present a seminar on the research project that will be carried out for the MS degree
The seminar presentation should last about 60 minutes. The presentation will be assessed by a thesis committee.
Students will be given the opportunity to re-present their seminar if it fails to meet sufficient standards under the headings listed below.

Grading
Presentations will be scored according to the following schematic:

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There is no written test or examination in this course. Final grade for the course will be calculated from the points earned under each of the headings in the table above.

Course Director:
Dr. You

Credits: 5

Dates of class:
All semester

Required:
Discuss with research PIs/Rotate through research labs
Present seminar

Grades:
Final grades will be posted in Blackboard at the end of the course