

TIGP Bioinformatics Program
Biological Computing (C1)
Fall 2025 Syllabus

Latest syllabus: <https://idv.sinica.edu.tw/tigpbio/>

Place: Room 308, Institute of Statistical Science, Academia Sinica
Time: Friday 14:00-17:00
Chair: Dr. Huai-Kuang Tsai (hktsai@iis.sinica.edu.tw)
Aim: The aim of the course is to link issues in computer science to biology and thus capture the interest of students in both areas. It is expected that students will acquire and retain important knowledge about computational biology.
Outline: The course provides an introduction to the basic computational concepts and methods used in molecular biology and genetics. It covers classic algorithmic techniques (for examples: divide and conquer algorithm, dynamic programming ...), data structures (e.g. queue, tree...), and common computational problems in biology (such as motif finding, sequence alignment ...). In addition, Bioinformatics approaches for next generation sequencing and the most up-to-date technology will be addressed as well.
Textbook/Reference book: N/A
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Office hours: Wednesday 13:00-15:00
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 *You can also approach online via the link below:
https://join.slack.com/t/2025fallc1ta/shared_invite/zt-3bixawluo-8UI9EKo4Qu4OZ_H_ROaavQ
Grades: Midterm exam 50%. Final exam 50%.

【For Non-BP student】

For Non-BP student to register/sit-in any BP course, it is required to gain course chair's permission:
 (1) Basic Enrollment Information form <https://forms.gle/oK7vJzrx9EvybbT9>
 (2) TIGP-BP Course Registration Consent Form
https://idv.sinica.edu.tw/tigpbio/index/TIGP%20Bioinformatics_Class%20Registration%20Consent%20Form.docx
 ※ Deadline: **the 4th week** of each semester.
 ※ Signature of the course chair should be collected before submission. Incomplete form will not be accepted.
 ※ Course grade will NOT be given (even class enrollment is completed at school) if fail to follow the above procedures.

| Week | Date | Topics/Brief Description | Lecturers | Evaluation Method: | Email |
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| 1 | 2025/9/5 | Analysis of Algorithms | Dr. Jia-Ming Chang | Take-home exam with a specified deadline: ▶ 2025/10/28 | chang.jiaming@gmail.com |
| 2 | 2025/9/12 | Recurrence | Dr. Jia-Ming Chang | | |
| 3 | 2025/9/19 | Introduction to Data Structure (I) | Dr. Yu-Jung Chang | In-class exam on midterm exam date | abner.yjchang@gmail.com |
| 4 | 2025/9/26 | Class rescheduled to 9/30. | -- | -- | -- |
| 5 | 2025/9/30 (Tues) 14:00-17:00 | Introduction to Data Structure (II) | Dr. Yu-Jung Chang | In-class exam on midterm exam date | abner.yjchang@gmail.com |
| 5 | 2025/10/3 (No in-person class) | Algorithmic Techniques (Pre-recorded Video) Online Q&A Session on 10/9 17:00 | Dr. Chen-Ching Lin | Take-home exam with a specified deadline ▶ 2025/10/17 | chenching.lin@nycu.edu.tw |
| 6 | 2025/10/8 (Wed) 14:00-17:00 (No in-person class) | Sequence alignment (Recorded Video) Online Q&A Session on 12/15 9:00 | Dr. Emily Chia-Yu Su | Take-home exam with a specified deadline: ▶ 2025/12/19 | emilysu@nycu.edu.tw |
| 6 | 2025/10/10 | Holiday—Double Tenth Day (no class) | -- | -- | -- |
| 7 | 2025/10/17 | Review Week (no class) | -- | -- | -- |
| 8 | 2025/10/24 | Midterm Exam rescheduled to 10/31. Make-up Day Off for Retrocession Day (no class) | -- | -- | -- |
| 9 | 2025/10/27 (Mon) 9:00-12:00 Online Only | Introduction to Data Mining | Dr. Henry Horng-Shing Lu | Take-home exam with a specified deadline ▶ 2025/11/27 | henryhslu@nycu.edu.tw |
| 9 | 2025/10/31 | Midterm Exam | -- | -- | -- |
| 10 | 2025/11/7 (No in-person class) | Databases: An Overview (Pre-recorded Video) Online Q&A Session on 11/18 14:00 | Dr. Yufeng Jane Tseng | Take-home exam with a specified deadline: ▶ 2025/12/2 | yjtseng@csie.ntu.edu.tw |
| 11 | 2025/11/14 Online Only | Fundamentals of Molecular Evolution and Phylogenetic Tree Construction | Dr. Jinn-Jy Lin | Take-home exam with a specified deadline: ▶ 2025/12/17 | jinnjy@gmail.com |
| 12 | 2025/11/21 | The Analysis of Next Generation Sequencing Data | Dr. Hsin-Nan Lin | In-class exam on final exam date | arith@gate.sinica.edu.tw |
| 13 | 2025/11/28 | Structural Bioinformatics | Dr. Chen-Hsin Yu | Take-home exam with a specified deadline: ▶ 2025/12/19 | albertchyu@gate.sinica.edu.tw |
| 14 | 2025/12/1 (Mon) 14:00-17:00 | Computational Proteomics | Dr. Ching-Tai Chen | In-class exam on final exam date | ctchen@utaipai.edu.tw |
| 14 | 2025/12/5 | Class rescheduled to 12/1. | -- | -- | -- |
| 15 | 2025/12/12 | Review Week (no class) | -- | -- | -- |
| 16 | 2025/12/19 | Final Exam | -- | -- | -- |