

Hello Fellow Students,

Spring semester registration is now open to all students. The Student Assembly would like to bring OER resources to your attention.

What are Open Educational Resources (OER)?

OER are learning, teaching and research materials that are licensed to be freely copied, modified and shared.

You may have seen a note like this in the course schedule:

to have a web cam and microphone and will be responsible for any fees accrued for late cancellations/ rescheduling or missed exams. Contact professor with questions.

32587 BIO 150 B01 DLO 4.000 Microbiology	TBA		32	30	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
<i>BIO 150 B01 must also register for CRN 32589 BIO 150 BL1 or CRN 32588 BIO 150 BL2. This is an OER section. It has no required textbook costs. This blended course section. This course requires online proctored exams via Examity. The College will pay the standard proctoring fee for exams. Students be responsible for any fees incurred for late cancellations/ rescheduling or missed exams. Students must also have reliable access to an Examity comp computer with a webcam and microphone. See http://www3.sunybroome.edu/online/students/examity-students/ for system requirements and add information prior to registering for this course.</i>											
32589 BIO 150 BL1 M 0.000 Microbiology	T	08:00 am-10:50 am	16	14	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
<i>BIO 150 BL1 must also register for CRN 32587 BIO 150 B01. This is an OER section. It has no required textbook costs.</i>											
Closed 32588 BIO 150 BL2 M 0.000 Microbiology	T	02:00 pm-04:50 pm	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>BIO 150 BL2 must also register for CRN 32587 BIO 150 B01. This is an OER section. It has no required textbook costs.</i>											
3703 BIO 150 LY1 DLO 0.000 Microbiology	TBA		15	14	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

This means that the textbook is freely available online, and can be downloaded, copied and pages can be printed. Sometimes printed versions are available for purchase in the bookstore.

New York State, SUNY, and SUNY Broome have an initiative to promote the adoption and use of OER. The purposes of this are to save students money, to reduce the debt burden that can come with a college education, and to make it easier for students to get through college with good grades.

Examples of OER can be found at

OpenStax - <https://openstax.org/subjects/view-all>

SUNY OER - <https://oer.suny.edu/>

If you have additional questions about OER, you can contact the Student Assembly Vice President of Academic Affairs, Shalini Sethi at sethis@acad.sunybroome.edu.

Thank you for choosing SUNY Broome to shape your future,

Sincerely,

SUNY Broome Student Assembly OER Committee