***ANNOUNCEMENT***

Beginning FQ16
Bio Sci 100 must be taken for a letter grade, not P/NP

Starting FQ16, all majors in the School of Bio Sci must take Bio 100 for a letter grade, just like all of their other required biology classes.

This change is tied to when the student takes Bio 100, not when they entered UCI or the major. For example, if a student takes Bio 100 in Summer 2016, they can still choose to take it for P/NP. If they take it FQ16 or after, a letter grade will be required.

If a student earns a grade of C-, D+, D or D- in Bio 100, they can still use this as the pre-requisite to take an UD Biology lab. However, Bio 100 with such grades will not satisfy any part of the Upper Division Writing Requirement.

Upper Division Writing can be satisfied by one of the following:
- Earn a grade of “C” or better in Bio Sci 100 and in three UD Biology labs
- Earn a grade of “C” or a PASS in a UCI campus approved (non-Bio Sci) UD Writing class.
  (These courses have a “W” in their course number, for example Writing 139W, Soc Sci 185W, Sociology 164W)

Just to reiterate - Bio Sci 100 alone does not satisfy the Upper Division Writing requirement.

If a student has a previous “NP” in Bio 100 before FQ16, they will be required to repeat Bio 100 for a letter grade to meet degree requirements.

Please contact the Biological Sciences Student Affairs office if you have any questions about this change.