

# Medicine Undergraduate Courses (MEDU)

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## **MEDU 1001. Major Breakthroughs in Biomedicine and Biotechnology. 3 Credit Hours.**

Science and medicine are advancing at an ever faster rate. Fortunately, it turns out that one can keep up with this dizzying pace by following a few journals--the American general science journal *Science*, its British counterpart *Nature*, and the *New England Journal of Medicine*--along with reports of major breakthroughs from other journals as covered in the media. These discoveries have important implications not only for science and medicine, but also society, business and even culture in general. In this class first by lectures, but then by listening to podcasts, reading news stories, then commentaries and summaries of the papers, students will learn to identify and appreciate major medical and scientific advances. This is a crucial skill to have whatever field of endeavor one chooses to pursue in life.

**Repeatability:** This course may not be repeated for additional credits.