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SCIENCE WRITING AUGUST 10 – 17, 2009

BIOSM 3110: 2 credits

PREREQUISITES:

An introductory level science course.

FACULTY: Carl Zimmer

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The *New York Times* Book Review calls Carl Zimmer “as fine a science essayist as we have.” In his books, essays, articles, and blog posts, Zimmer reports from the frontiers of biology, where scientists are expanding our understanding of life. He is a frequent guest on radio programs, such as *Fresh Air* and *This American Life*. He also lectures at universities, medical schools, and museums.



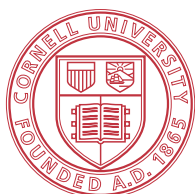
COURSE DESCRIPTION: (also see: http://www.sml.cornell.edu/sml_cc_sciwrit.html)

This course offers students an introduction to science writing. Students will learn about the business of science writing (including career opportunities in newspapers, television, and the Internet). They will also give students the opportunity to become familiar with the craft of making complex scientific research understandable and exciting for the general public. Students will need at least one introductory science course and be prepared to complete several short-deadline writing exercises.

(Cornell students cannot receive credit for taking both BIOSM 3110, Science Writing, and COMM/ST 3520, Science Writing for the Mass Media).

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