## Undergraduate Research in the C3B® Laboratories

Undergraduates wishing to engage in experiential learning (conduct research) in the Bioelectronics, Biosensors and Biochips laboratory must do the following:

## **Getting Signed Up:**

- 1) Meet with Prof. Guiseppi-Elie to discuss your interests and motivations as well as the availability of room and projects to accommodate you in the laboratory.
- 2) Complete the attached BMEN Variable Credit Form and return to Prof. Guiseppi-Elie (guiseppi@tamu.edu) for my approval and submission to the Undergraduate Academic Advisor, Ms. Yovonne Williamson (ywilliamson@tamu.edu).
- 3) Complete the attached excel spreadsheet that requests student particulars that includes: Name: UIN: Email address: Department: Year of Graduation: Mobile Phone# and deliver to Prof. Guiseppi-Elie (guiseppi@tamu.edu) and the C3B Laboratory Manager, Mr. John Aggas (<u>iraggas1@tmau.edu</u>)
- 4) Negotiate and confirm your exact times and dates for your presence for laboratory activities.
- 5) Students MUST complete all required safety and associated laboratory training in advance of the first day of classes.
  - a. Blood Borne Pathogen
  - b. Biosafety Level 2 (BSL-2) training
  - c. Chemical Hazard Communicants Training.
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## **Student Projects**

Our collective goal is to expose and train you, the undergraduate, in the ways of an independent scholarly approach to evidence-based inquiry. Students may work on individual projects or on teams. Students may pursue their Honors Thesis requirement (two consecutive semesters) or research for variable (0-3) academic credit. The research activities with which you become engaged are generally tightly focused, with clearly defined expectations and deliverables.

- 1) Prepare and deposit a weekly progress report that is deposited on your named folder on the C3B Team Drive
- 2) End of Week 1: Students prepare a one-page comprehensive description of your project.
- 3) End of Week 2: Students prepare a 6-page PPTX graphical description of your project.
- 4) End of Week 5: Deliver a 20-min comprehensive progress report to the C3B Group on the status of their project.
- 5) End of Semester:
  - a. Deliver a 30-min comprehensive final report to the C3B Group on the findings of their project.
  - b. Deliver a written report in the form of a draft manuscript suitable for submission to a journal.