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## MCB 5471:

## Current Topics in Molecular Evolution: Evolution through Genetic Exchange

## SPRING 2015 1 credit

Time: Mondays 11am

First Meeting: Monday, 1/26/2015 at 11 am

Instructor: J. Peter Gogarten (MCB)

Where: BP 201

(Note: This is different from the old peoplesoft listing)

This semester the course will focus on "Evolution through Genetic Exchange". Most reading materials will be articles from Nature Reviews in Microbiology and Nature Reviews in Genetics. Topics will range from Symbiosis, the Black Queen Hypothesis and Evolution of the Holobiont to the transfer of adaptive genes between multicellular eukaryotes (e.g. antifreeze proteins in fish) and archaic admixtures and introgression in human evolution.

A very preliminary syllabus is available at http://gogarten.uconn.edu.

Students are expected to present on at least one chapter or journal article.

