This is a one credit on-line course lasting 5-6 weeks. The purpose of this course is to give you a historical appreciation of principal landmark findings in the field of Neuroscience, the people behind them, and some of the people they trained or influenced. You may also gain insights into what causes scientific greatness: extreme intellect, hard work, or just being in the right place at the right time?

The course is organized into 5 one-week modules, each of which presents the lives and findings of a handful of prizewinners from various eras but within a general subcategory of neuroscience. Each week you will complete a writing assignment and a peer review. The writing assignment will give you an opportunity to research the scientific family tree of one of the Nobel Prize winners and write about the scientific contributions of one of their scientific descendants.