ENTOMOLOGY-ZOOLOGY 302 INTRODUCTION TO ENTOMOLOGY

Course Information - Semester II: 2014/2015

DESCRIPTION:

An introductory study of insects with emphasis on anatomy, morphology, classification and general ecology. An insect collection is required (<u>if you procrastinate</u>, you will not be pleased with your outcome)!

MEETINGS:

Lecture -

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 11:00-11:50 a.m. Room 150 Russell Labs

Laboratory Sections – (all meet in 153 Russell Labs)

 section 401 Tuesday
 1:20-4:20 p.m. (Young)

 section 402 Wednesday
 1:20-4:20 p.m. (Young)

 section 403 Thursday
 1:20-4:20 p.m. (Hernandez)

 section 404 Tuesday
 5:00-8:00 p.m. (Hernandez)

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Office hours – stop by or email me any time; if you miss me (as commonly happens), I'd be very happy to set up an appointment

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REQUIRED MATERIALS:

[Required resources are available only from the Department of Entomology (see me!) – cost \$ 20.00 - includes Laboratory Manual +1 package of pins – see below]

Laboratory - Young, D. K. Introduction to Entomology (Entomology 302) Laboratory Manual.

Laboratory - Insect Pins - \$ 4.00/package of 100; 1 package comes with lab manual - see above]

Laboratory - Collection box

[you'll need at least one of these for your required collection – may be available from University Bookstore] [BUT PLEASE DO NOT PURCHASE UNTIL I DISCUSS THIS AT THE FIRST LECTURE!]

Lecture - Young, D. K. Introduction to Entomology (Entomology 302) Lecture Outlines. [WILL BE COMING TO YOU AS EMAIL LINKS TO MY UW]

SUGGESTED TEXTS: [NOT REQUIRED!]

Intro. to Insect Biol. & Diversity, ed. 2 (Daly, Doyen & Purcell). [BUT PLEASE DO NOT PURCHASE UNTIL I DISCUSS IT AT THE FIRST LECTURE!]

Intro. to Study of Insects (7th edition; Triplehorn & Johnson): extensive taxonomic treatment - a standard reference; good to have if you plan to take additional entomology course work.

Field Guide to Insects (Borror & White): limited usefulness as a text, but very good line drawings that make a nice supplement to the lab manual.

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EVALUATION: [see also EVALUATION section of lab manual (p. vi)]

Grade Breakdown -

Lecture		50 %
Exam 1	16.67 %	
Exam 2	16.67 %	
Exam 3 (= FINAL)	16.67 %	
Laboratory		50 %
Exams (4)	27.00 %	
Label Project/Drawings	5.50 %	
Insect Collection	17.50 %	

From past experience, grades generally conform rather closely to a straight scale; sample old exams are posted in the lab prior to scheduled exam dates; they are also included with the lecture outlines you purchase for the course. Dates of lecture exams are noted on the Lecture Schedule (handout); dates of lab practical exams are listed in the manual on page viii, as are the deadlines for the label project assignment and insect collection.

POLICY ON MISSED EXAMINATIONS:

Generally, a make-up exam will only be given if absence from the scheduled examination is excused **IN ADVANCE**, OR if an illness or emergency situation warrants.

POLICY ON LAPTOPS, CELLULAR TECHNOLOGY, ETC.:

You are welcome to bring a laptop to lecture and (if desired) lab for non-examination purposes. Some students, for example, prefer to keep lecture notes and supplemental laboratory exercise notes as document files and follow along that way. Laptops are not allowed during examination periods.

Cell phones (and related technologies) may be used to take images of specimens in the lab if you desire. In ALL other lecture and laboratory situations, cellular technology is not allowed. Like they say on the airliners at take-off: if it has an on/off switch, it should be in the OFF position (that means OFF – NOT silent or vibrate).

POLICY CONCEALED CARRY:

Under no circumstances (lecture, lab, field trips) are firearms of any kind allowed in this academic setting. University policy precludes carrying firearms into campus buildings; I mean to extend this policy to field settings.