

Course Syllabus

WILD 170: Fish and Wildlife Interest Group

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Welcome to the Fish and Wildlife Interest Group! This is a one-credit course that will introduce you to the University of Montana, the Wildlife Biology Program, and where we'll explore some current issues in wildlife biology and have some fun. Just like any other course, attendance and assignment completion are required. Grading is pass/fail.

COURSE SCHEDULE:

WEEK	DATE	TOPIC
1	8-31	<u>Introductions and Course Outline</u> -Introduction to the WIG and Missoula Area -Student introductions -Syllabus review <i>Assignment 1: 4-year Course Planner</i>
2	9-04	<u>Labor Day week - No Class Thursday Group!!</u> - Monday Class please attend Wednesday or Thursday Class this week.
3	9-11	<u>Radio Telemetry & Its Applications</u> - In-class Activity
4	9-18	<u>Wildlife Observation and Note Taking</u> <i>Assignment 2: Journal Exercise</i> <i>Assignment 1 Due: 4-year Course Planner</i>
5	9-25	<u>No Class</u> – Work on Assignment 2
6	10-02	<u>Animal Trapping Techniques</u> <i>Assignment 2 Due: Journal Exercise</i>
7	10-09	<u>Advising with Lisa Mills and Chad Bishop</u> - Planning for spring schedule.
8	10-16	<u>Cheryl Minnick – Guest Speaker</u> - Planning for study abroad, internships and volunteer opportunities
9	10-23	<u>Introduction to Ecology</u> - Owl Habitat Associations & Diet Assessment - Meeting out of class: Location TBD

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10	10-30	<u>Necropsy Lecture</u> - Meeting out of class: Location TBD
11	11-07	<u>Deer & Moose Jaw Aging – Wolf Prey Selection</u> - Meeting out of class: Location TBD
12	11-13	<u>Research Using Electronic Resources</u> -Led by Barry Brown, Science Librarian at M.&M. Mansfield Library -How to use library electronic resources (books, scientific journals, etc.) -Meets in Student Learning Center, ML283 (not in class) Assignment 3: Library assignment
13	11-20	<u>Thanksgiving Break – No Class!!</u>
14	11-27	<u>Resume and Cover Letter Presentation</u> Assignment 3 Due: Library assignment Assignment 4: Resume
15	12-04	<u>Wrap-up Discussion</u>

**Schedule subject to change*

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS:

1. This is a *seminar*; therefore, discussion and class participation will be a large component of the class.
2. Be prepared for class. Use this syllabus as a reference to know what to be prepared for on the proper date.
3. If you are going to be absent, please contact me BEFORE you miss class. I realize that school is not the only aspect of life and that events do come up which require you to miss class. However, if you do not notify me **ahead** of time, then you will lose points.

GRADING POLICY:

5 points each day for attendance	= 65 points
30 points for participation	= 30 points
35 points for each assignment	= 140 points
TOTAL	= 235 points

To pass this class you must earn a minimum of 165 points.

How you earn points:

- **Attendance/Participation:** each day you attend class, you get five points. Participating in every class is required for full participation credit. Obviously, if you're not in class, you can't participate.
- **Assignments:** successful completion of the 4 assignments will earn you full assignment credit.