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TEM 269

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Office Hours T, TH 8:00am–10:00am; W 1:00pm—2:00pm

Grading

2 Tests + Final = 300 pts

1 Paper = 100 pts

1 Additional Paper for Grad Students = 100 pts

Game Animal presentation = 50 pts

Paper Discussion = 50 pts

100–90% = A, 89–80% = B, 79–70% = C, 69–60% = D, 59% ≥ F

Policies

Attendance: Grades tend to be positively correlated with attendance, and participation in this type of course is taken into account when grades are determined. Lecture attendance will not be taken, but this class is small enough that I will know if you missed.

Cell phones (including smart phones): As a member of the learning community, each student has a responsibility to other students who are members of the community. When cell phones or pagers ring and students respond in class or leave class to respond, it disrupts the class. Therefore, the Office of the Provost prohibits the use by students of cell phones, pagers, PDAs, or similar communication devices during scheduled classes. All such devices must be turned off or put in a silent (vibrate) mode and ordinarily should not be taken out during class. Given the fact that these same communication devices are an integral part of the University's emergency notification system, an exception to this policy would occur when numerous devices activate simultaneously. When this occurs, students may consult their devices to determine if a university emergency exists. If that is not the case, the devices should be immediately returned to silent mode and put away. Repeated use of a cell phone in lecture or lab will result in the loss of points towards your grade.

Make-up exams: Make-up lecture exams will be given only if the instructor is notified prior to the test date and given a valid excuse. The validity of the excuse will be determined by the instructor (and be prepared to provide a doctor's note).

No food in the lecture; a drink is only OK in the lecture, provided you don't spill. If you do spill, be prepared to clean it up. No chewing tobacco.

Academic Misconduct: Missouri State University is a community of scholars committed to developing educated persons who accept the responsibility to practice personal and academic integrity. You are responsible for knowing and following the university's student honor code, [Student Academic Integrity Policies and Procedures](#) and also

available at the Reserves Desk in Meyer Library. Any student participating in any form of academic dishonesty will be subject to sanctions as described in this policy. Cheating on tests or copying of field notes will result in a 0 for that assignment.

Drop Policy: It is your responsibility to understand the University's procedure for dropping a class. If you stop attending this class but do not follow proper procedure for dropping the class, you will receive a failing grade and will also be financially obligated to pay for the class. For information about dropping a class or withdrawing from the university, contact the Office of the Registrar at 836-5520. Relevant drop deadlines can be found at www.missouristate.edu/registrar/acad_cal.html.

Communications: Do not expect that emails will be answered immediately, particularly those sent between the hours of 6:00pm and 9:00am. Please use office hours.

Students who require assistance during an emergency evacuation must discuss their needs with their professors and the Disability Resource Center. If you have emergency medical information to share with me, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible. For additional information students should contact the Disability Resource Center, 836-4192 (PSU 405), or Larry Combs, Interim Assistant Director of Public Safety and Transportation at 836-6576. For further information on Missouri State University's Emergency Response Plan, please refer to the following web site: <http://www.missouristate.edu/safetran/erp.htm>.

To request academic accommodations for a disability, contact the Director of the Disability Resource Center, Plaster Student Union, Suite 405, (417) 836-4192 or (417) 836-6792 (TTY), www.missouristate.edu/disability. Students are required to provide documentation of disability to the Disability Resource Center prior to receiving accommodations. The Disability Resource Center refers some types of accommodation requests to the Learning Diagnostic Clinic, which also provides diagnostic testing for learning and psychological disabilities. For information about testing, contact the Director of the Learning Diagnostic Clinic, (417) 836-4787, <http://psychology.missouristate.edu/ldc>.

Missouri State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution, and maintains a grievance procedure available to any person who believes he or she has been discriminated against. At all times, it is your right to address inquiries or concerns about possible discrimination to the Office for Institutional Equity and Compliance, Park Central Office Building, 117 Park Central Square, Suite 111, 417-836-4252. Other types of concerns (i.e., concerns of an academic nature) should be discussed directly with your instructor and can also be brought to the attention of your instructor's Department Head. Please visit the OED website at www.missouristate.edu/equity/.

At the first class meeting, students should become familiar with a basic emergency response plan through a dialogue with the instructor that includes a review and awareness of exits specific to the classroom and the location of evacuation centers for the building. All

instructors are provided this information specific to their classroom and/or lab assignments in an e-mail prior to the beginning of the fall semester from the Office of the Provost and Safety and Transportation. Students with disabilities impacting mobility should discuss the approved accommodations for emergency situations and additional options when applicable with the instructor. For more information go to <http://www.missouristate.edu/safetran/51597.htm> and <http://www.missouristate.edu/safetran/erp.htm>.

Shelter for lecture: Racquetball Courts

Evacuation for lecture: North to McDonald Arena Gymnasium; Northwest to Meyer Library Main Entrance.

Game Management Schedule Fall, 2015

Lecture: 2:00-3:15 PM

Tentative Lecture Schedule

August

18	T	Introduction & Population ecology #1
20	TH	Population ecology #2
25	T	Population ecology #3
27	TH	Population ecology #4

September

1	T	Game animals 1
3	TH	Paper Discussion
8	T	Game animals 2
10	TH	Paper Discussion
15	T	Disease in game species
17	TH	Models of disease spread
22	T	Models of disease spread
24	TH	Exam #1
29	T	Game animals 3

October

1	TH	Paper Discussion
6	T	Habitat management
8	TH	Habitat management
13	T	Habitat management
15	TH	Paper discussion
20	T	Game animals 4
22	TH	Paper discussion
27	T	Game animals 5
29	TH	Paper discussion

November

3	T	
5	TH	Exam #2
10	T	Conservation and Game Management
12	TH	Conservation and Game Management
17	T	Challenges to Management
19	TH	Paper discussion
23	T	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
26	TH	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

December

1	T	Game farms
3	TH	Reintroductions
8	TH	Final Exam, 1:15pm-3:15pm

Paper due dates 1 October & 19 November