General Course Information:

Meets: M-R

9.00am-12.50pm

Location:

Format: Lecture/Field Lab

Materials: Reading materials available online

Lecture slides will be posted to Blackboard Field Collection materials will be assigned

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GENERAL COURSE SCHEDULE:

WEEK	LECTURE	LAB
1	Introduction/Overview	Collection (on going)
	Insect Orders	ID Key How-to
	Collection Techniques	Begin course collections
	Sample Preservation	Preservation Techniques
	Life Cycle/ Development	Degree Day Models
	Anatomy of Insects	Dissection
	QUIZ 1	Thursday, July 26 12pm
2	Evolution of Insects	Evolution of Flight
	Crypsis/Mimicry	
	Co-Evolution	
	Plant/Insect Ecology	Field Observation
	IPM	Insect damage
	Conventional vs. IPM Debate	Aphid Mummies
	MIDTERM	Thursday, August 2 12pm
	Field Trip: HJ Andrews	Saturday, August 4 th - Sunday, August 5 th
3	IPM and Parasitism	Aphid Wasps
	Hormone systems in Insects	Social insects and hormones
	Hormones and IPM	
	Bioindicators	
	Insect Communities	Community analysis
	Aquatic insects	Case-building mechanics
	QUIZ 2	Thursday, August 9 12pm

4	Insect Systematics	Character Tree
	Medical Entomology	
	Forensic Entomology	Field Lab-Forensics
	Insects and Society	Insect Media
		Insects/Art of War
	COLLECTIONS DUE	Friday , August 17—8.00am
	FINAL EXAM	Friday, August 17—8.00am

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Attendance Attendance will not be taken; you are expected to attend class to turn in class work.

There will be something due each day of lecture.

Collection You will be expected to complete an insect collection for a part of your overall grade. I

will be available to help you and there will be many opportunities to add to your

collection and work on it over the 4 weeks of class.

Field Trip There is one field trip required, it is scheduled for Saturday, August 4th with return on

Sunday, August 5th. We'll be doing a lot of collecting and working on field techniques associated with studies in Entomology, and there will be scored assignments to turn in.

We'll discuss this more as it approaches.

GRADING		
	<u>PTS</u>	
In-class work	100	
Quizzes (2)	25	
Midterm	50	
Final	50	
Field Trip	100	
Collection	100	
Field Notes	<u>50</u>	
TOTAL	500	