ENY-4660L, Medical & Veterinary Entomology, 1 credit
Syllabus, Summer 2015

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Canvas Website: http://lss.at.ufl.edu (login with UF Gatorlink username and password)

Email: each student must have an active email account. The University of Florida requires that you obtain a student ID# and a Gatorlink email account as part of your registration process. The instructor may post class notices to your Gatorlink email account. While many of you already have independent email accounts, you must also obtain a University of Florida Gatorlink email account for use as a registered student.

Course Description: This is a 1 credit course that requires an identification of the major insect, mite, and tick vectors of disease to man and animals and an understanding of the diseases transmitted by arthropod vectors. Students will learn to identify mosquitoes, ticks, mites, lice, fleas, and other disease vectors. This course requires use of the textbook and internet resources to obtain detailed information on the appearance of medically and veterinary important arthropods, as well as the cycles for the diseases they transmit. This course should be taken as a co-requirement for ENY 6665. The schedule for ENY 6665 will have the due dates for the laboratory assignments.

Critical Thinking: With international travel and movement of people from place to place, it is difficult to determine the origins of a disease outbreak. Students will be expected to identify the vector, pathogen, and location of a person associated with a vector-borne disease.

Laboratories: Assignments are laboratory activities located at the Canvas website. The site is restricted to only students officially enrolled in the class.


Lecture Notebook: Print this on your own. You can have it printed /bound at a copy store if you desire.

Grading: The course is based on a grade for all the assessments (29 laboratory assessments). Students can do the on-line laboratory activities as often as necessary until the due date and will get credit for the best grade obtained for each assessment. Additionally, there will be a laboratory exam 1, laboratory exam 2, and final exam given as timed exams on Canvas that can only be taken once. The final grade will be for a total of 1,000 points.

Laboratory assessments (29 unweighted)  200 points
Laboratory Exam 1 200 points
Laboratory exam 2 200 points
Final exam 400 points

Grading scale (%):
94-100 A
90-<94 A-
87-<90 B+
83-<87 B
80-<83 B-
77-<80 C+
74-<77 C
70-<74 C-
67-<70 D+
64-<67 D
60-<64 D-
<60 E

Specific Evaluations: Your grade in the lecture course will be based on the points you earn and determined by the percentage breakdown of points earned. The percentage is then applied to the grading scale. Laboratory exams 1 & 2 and identification exams are not comprehensive and will be timed exams located on Canvas. Final exams (lecture and laboratory) will be comprehensive and also located on Canvas.

Grades and Grade Points
For information on current UF policies for assigning grade points, see https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Absences and Make-Up Work
Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments and other work are consistent with university policies that can be found at: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx.

Academic Honesty
As a student at the University of Florida, you have committed yourself to uphold the Honor Code, which includes the following pledge: “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.” You are expected to exhibit behavior consistent with this commitment to the UF academic community, and on all work submitted for credit at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment."

It is assumed that you will complete all work independently in each course unless the instructor provides explicit permission for you to collaborate on course tasks (e.g. assignments, papers, quizzes, exams). Furthermore, as part of your obligation to uphold the Honor Code, you should report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. It is your individual responsibility to know and comply with all university policies and procedures regarding academic
integrity and the Student Honor Code. Violations of the Honor Code at the University of Florida will not be tolerated. Violations will be reported to the Dean of Students Office for consideration of disciplinary action. For more information regarding the Student Honor Code, please see: https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/.

Software Use:
All faculty, staff and students of the university are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against university policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate.

Campus Helping Resources
Students experiencing crises or personal problems that interfere with their general well-being are encouraged to utilize the university’s counseling resources. The Counseling & Wellness Center provides confidential counseling services at no cost for currently enrolled students. Resources are available on campus for students having personal problems or lacking clear career or academic goals, which interfere with their academic performance.

☐ University Counseling & Wellness Center, 3190 Radio Road, 352-392-1575, www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/

Counseling Services
Groups and Workshops
Outreach and Consultation
Self-Help Library
Training Programs
Community Provider Database

☐ Career Resource Center, First Floor JWRU, 392-1601, www.crc.ufl.edu/

Plagiarism.
Plagiarism is a serious violation of the Student Honor Code. The Honor Code prohibits and defines plagiarism as follows:
Plagiarism. A student shall not represent as the student’s own work all or any portion of the work of another. Plagiarism includes (but is not limited to):
   a. Quoting oral or written materials, whether published or unpublished, without proper attribution.
   b. Submitting a document or assignment which in whole or in part is identical or substantially identical to a document or assignment not authored by the student.

University of Florida students are responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by the entire Student Honor Code.

Important Tip: You should never copy and paste something from the Internet without providing the exact location from which it came.

UF Policy on E-mail:
“Official University business email will be communicated to students using the University GatorLink email account. That is, official email will be sent exclusively to GatorLinkUserName@ufl.edu. The preferred email address recorded for all students will be the GatorLink address. This is the email address displayed in the online phonebook. Students may continue to use the forwarding mechanism to deliver their email to other mail services, if they wish. However, it is the student’s responsibility to insure that the forwarding address is current so that they receive official communications from the University”.

UF POLICIES:

UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ACCOMMODATING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: Students requesting accommodation for disabilities must first register with the Dean of Students Office (http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/). The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the instructor when requesting accommodation. You must submit this documentation prior to submitting assignments or taking the quizzes or exams. Accommodations are not retroactive, therefore, students should contact the office as soon as possible in the term for which they are seeking accommodations.

UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT: Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students should be sure that they understand the UF Student Honor Code at http://www.dso.ufl.edu/students.php.

**NETIQUETTE: COMMUNICATION COURTESY:** All members of the class are expected to follow rules of common courtesy in all email messages, threaded discussions and chats. Netiquette Guide for Online Courses

GETTING HELP:

For issues with technical difficulties for E-learning in Canvas, please contact the UF Help Desk at:

- Learning-support@ufl.edu
- (352) 392-HELP - select option 2
- https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml

** Any requests for make-ups due to technical issues MUST be accompanied by the ticket number received from LSS when the problem was reported to them. The ticket number will document the time and date of the problem. You MUST e-mail your instructor within 24 hours of the technical difficulty if you wish to request a make-up. Other resources are available at http://www.distance.ufl.edu/getting-help for:

- Counseling and Wellness resources
- Disability resources
- Resources for handling student concerns and complaints
• Library Help Desk support

Should you have any complaints with your experience in this course please visit http://www.distance.ufl.edu/student-complaints to submit a complaint.