# FIELD PLANT NEMATOLOGY

**NEM 6708** 

**2CREDIT HOURS** 

SPRING 2022

\*\* No formal meeting room

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Contact Dr. Crow to arrange meeting time

\*\* COURSE COMMUNICATIONS: email Dr. Crow at wtcr@ufl.edu.

**REQUIRED TEXT:** None

\*\*COURSE DESCRIPTION: In 2022 the course will consist of one or two one-day field trips and a week-long field trip over Spring Break. These field trips will be to UF research sites, industry research sites, and agriculture production around the state of Florida.

**PURPOSE OF COURSE:** This course is intended to expose students to current research in nematology, entomology, and other plant-protection disciplines, and to expose students to careers in entomology, nematology and related disciplines.

## **COURSE POLICIES:**

**ATTENDANCE POLICY:** Attendance on the field trips is mandatory. We will be visiting 6 locations over six days. For each unexcused absence your grade will be reduced

by 1/6. Excused absences must be consistent with university policies in the Graduate Catalog and require appropriate documentation. Additional information can be found in Attendance Policies.

\*\*QUIZ/EXAM POLICY: There will be no guizzes or exams in this course

**MAKE-UP POLICY:** The field trips cannot be made up. For up to two excused absences a makeup assignment will be arranged. If you miss more than two days of field trips you should withdraw from the course.

**PROFESSIONALISM AND RESPECT POLICY:** Students are required to behave respectfully and politely toward each other and our hosts during the field trips. When we are on field trip sites, the students must abide by our hosts policies and procedures.

**DRESS POLICY:** Safety is first priority. Closed-toe shoes, long pants, and sleeved shirts are required. Headwear for sun protection on outdoor field trips is encouraged. Additional safety and sanitary materials (goggles, hearing protection, hair nets, etc.) may be required at some sites and will be provided as needed.

**TRAVEL POLICY:** We will be taking a department 15-passenger van on the field trips. However, you can arrange your own separate transportation if you wish. Similarly, Dr. Crow will arrange for up to four hotel rooms with 2-3 people per room each night over the spring break trip. If you do not want to share a room you can get your own but you will be responsible for the costs. You will need to pay for your own meals.

#### **UF POLICIES:**

**STUDENTS REQUIRING ACCOMODATIONS:** Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the Disability Resource Center. It is important for students to share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs, as early as possible in the semester.

**UNIVERSITY HONESTY POLICY:** UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code.

On all work submitted for credit by students 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." The Honor Code specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you

are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

\*\*NETIQUETTE: COMMUNICATION COURTESY: All members of the class are expected to follow rules of common courtesy in all email messages, threaded discussions and chats. [Describe what is expected and what will occur as a result of improper behavior] http://teach.ufl.edu/docs/NetiguetteGuideforOnlineCourses.pdf

## **GRADING POLICIES:**

Assignment	Points or percentage
Field trip attendance	60%
Engagement and participation	20%
Term paper	20%

<sup>\*\*</sup> A large percentage of the course grade is dependent on attendance and quality of class participation. Quality of participation is based on the student's interaction with our hosts on the various field trips, asking questions, and taking interest.

The term paper should be around 3 pages in length. The student will select one of the visits and write about a career in that field. It is due to Dr. Crow by 15 April, 2022. Ten percentage points will be deducted each day thereafter for late assignments. The term paper should be both insightful and well written.

#### **GRADING SCALE:**

Α	93–	100	)

A- 90-92.9

B+ 87-89.9

B 83-86.9

B- 80-82.9

C+ 77- 79.9

C 73-76.9

C- 70- 72.9

D+ 67-69.9

D 63-66.9

D- 60-62.9

E <59.9 and below

## **COURSE SCHEDULE:**

\*\*FINAL EXAM: None

<u>Disclaimer:</u> This syllabus represents my current plans and objectives. As we go through the semester, those plans may need to change to enhance the class learning opportunity. Such changes, communicated clearly, are not unusual and should be expected.

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#### **Course Evaluation**

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Click here for guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via ufl.bluera.com/ufl/. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students here.

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#### 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. We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to uphold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

#### Student Privacy

There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see the <u>Notification to Students of FERPA Rights</u>.

## Campus Resources:

#### Health and Wellness

#### U Matter, We Care:

If you or a friend is in distress, please contact <u>umatter@ufl.edu</u> or 352 392-1575 so that a team member can reach out to the student.

**Counseling and Wellness Center:** <u>counseling.ufl.edu/cwc</u>, and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

### Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)

Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

**University Police Department** at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or <u>police.ufl.edu</u>.

#### Academic Resources

**E-learning technical support**, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu.

<u>Career Resource Center</u>, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling.

<u>Library Support</u>, Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

<u>Teaching Center</u>, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.

Writing Studio, 302 Tigert Hall, 846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers.

**Student Complaints Campus** 

**On-Line Students Complaints**