

Course Title: NRES 250 Introduction to Fisheries, Forestry, and Wildlife Lab
Classroom: TNR 157

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Office Hours (I will send you a link): Monday 2-3 pm.

Please use office hours to consult me with your questions/confusions. If you cannot attend the office hours, send me an email and we can set up a time. If you call my office, please leave me a message with your contact number.

Lab Report and Assignments: Report format for each assignment will be provided. You are expected to follow these guidelines and write your reports accordingly. All lab assignments must be typed and turned in during class on the assigned due date. Instructor reserves the right to deduct points for late assignments.

Exams and Quizzes: If you miss an exam or quiz without informing the instructor beforehand, there will be no make-up exam/quiz in that case. You will get zero for that particular exam/quiz. If you miss the exam/quiz because of medical reasons, family emergency, or University sponsored activities, you should provide written evidence of so. If the instructor is satisfied with your reasoning, you may be allowed a makeup task.

Attendance: Attendance is a very important requirement for this class. You are not allowed to miss a lab unless there is a genuine reason (for e.g. Medical emergency, Family Emergency, or University sponsored activities). If you have to miss a lab you should inform the instructor beforehand with genuine reason and evidence of so. If you miss lab classes and did not submit the required assignments, you will not receive grade for that particular lab/assignment. I WILL TAKE ATTENDANCE DURING EVERY LAB. I reserve the right to deduct points for unexcused lab absences and lack of professionalism

Students with Disabilities: The university has a legal responsibility to provide accommodations and program access as mandated by Section 504 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The university's philosophy is to not only provide what is mandated, but also convey its genuine concern for one's total well-being. If accommodations are needed, please contact the lead instructor (Dr. Dubay for this course) as well as the Office of Disability and Assistive Technology, 609 Albertson Hall (715) 346-3365.

Grading: The lab represents 40 percent of your overall grade in NRES 250. Marks will be broken down as follows:

- Quizzes (5) = 15%
- Class assignments (2) = 20%
- Report (1) = 20%
- Midterm = 22.5%
- Final Exam = 22.5%

| Week | Topic |
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| Sept 6 | NO Lab |
| Sept 13 | *Tree Identification |
| Sept 20 | *Compass and Pacing practice |
| Sept 27 | *GPS and Pacing |
| Oct 4 | *Timber Resource Measurements |
| Oct 11 | *Timber Cruising |
| Oct 18 | MID-TERM LAB EXAM |
| Oct 25 | *Snags and Woody Debris |
| Nov 1 | Scientific Writing |
| Nov 8 | Sampling Fish & Wildlife Populations |
| Nov 15 | Scientific Method |
| Nov 22 | THANKSGIVING BREAK – NO LABS |
| Nov 29 | Rectangular Land Survey |
| Dec 6 | FINAL LAB EXAM |

Labs with “asterisk” are at least all or partially outside. Please dress appropriately.