

CNR Reporter

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2024 SFE TA Application

The CNR is hiring TA's for 2024 Summer Field Experience (SFE). Applications are open now! Check out the opportunities to be a leader, mentor, and work directly with CNR faculty and instructors. Submit your application by **noon on November 20!** If you like plant identification, be sure to apply for the Plant TA position! You can apply for both applications if you are interested in either position!

[Course TA Application Link](#)

[Plant TA Application Link](#)

[Click here](#) to learn more about the TA Job Descriptions and SFE. Please contact Associate Dean, Dr. Brenda Lackey (blackey@uwsp.edu) if you have questions.

CNR SSC RESUME WORKSHOP

Come join the CNR SSC's Peer Mentors to look over your resume and get some tips & tricks!

If you do not have a resume started, we are also here to help you begin that process!

Located in the TNR West Lobby
Wednesday, November 15th
10am-12pm, 1pm-3pm



CNR Student Success Center

TNR 122
cnrssc@uwsp.edu
715-346-4081
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/ssc/

Office Hours:

8am-5pm Monday-Thursday
8am-1pm Friday
In Person & Zoom appointments available

CNR SSC Peer Mentor
Appointments
available [HERE](#)

Walk-Ins This Week:

Katie
Wednesday 9am-12pm

Grace
Tuesday 1-4pm
Thursday 9-11 am

Introduction to CNR Research Information Meeting

Hosted by the Jim and Katie Krause
CNR Student Research Symposium Committee

Sign up here:



**Wednesday, November 15th
at 4 pm in TNR 170**

- Learn about research.
- Meet with faculty.
- Prepare for grad school.
- Free pizza!



Interested in Conducting Undergraduate Research?

Please [sign-up](#) with your name and UWSP email address for the Introduction to CNR Research Information Meeting to connect with CNR faculty and learn how YOU can get involved. This meeting will be held in **TNR 170 at 4PM on Wednesday, Nov. 15th** and is hosted by the Jim and Katie Krause CNR Student Research Symposium Committee. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about how to get involved with undergraduate research along with helpful resources. You will also get to meet with faculty from a variety of disciplines to see what research opportunities may be available within the CNR. If you are a first-year/transfer student, this is the perfect time to start preparing an undergraduate research project. We will also be discussing how to prepare for graduate school and additional resources for those interested. **Please sign up if you are interested as we need to account for the number of pizzas we will be ordering for this meeting, thank you!** If you have any questions, please reach out at cnrurs@uwsp.edu.

WINR PLANT SALE

DUC 1st Floor 8-3pm

13 NOVEMBER

VARIETY OF PLANT SPECIES
AND SIZES AVAILABLE



UWSP Women in
Natural Resources



Chainsaw Certification

Are you an NRES major or maybe just like the thought of knowing how to operate a chainsaw? UWSP Backcountry Hunters & Anglers is hosting a Chainsaw training workshop on December 2nd, 2023. This workshop will take place on campus from 8:30 am-3 pm and once completed you will get a certificate of completion, which meets WI DNR requirements for you to operate DNR-owned power equipment. [Sign up here!](#)

Winterim Biology Courses

Biol 354: Science of Brewing

Bio 377: Ornithology

Biol 490: Senior Seminar

Please reach out to the instructors with questions

Winter Registration

Opened October 30th, advisor holds will not stop you from winterim registration

Spring Registration

Registration for senior-standing students begins November 20th. If you have not met with an advisor, please do so!

CNR Office Closed

For Thanksgiving week, the CNR SSC office will be closed Wednesday (11/22) at 12pm through Friday (11/24).



Come learn about different ways to be

**Sustainable
This Thanksgiving!**

Come join the Students For Sustainability Club this

Thursday November 16th at 5:30pm TNR 255

you can help grow the future of sustainability, we want your input!

fun
games!

plant
based
treats!

everyone
is
welcome!

Foundation Forestry Skills Assessment

Please accept the course invitation to the Fall 2023, Foundational Forestry Skills Assessment and start preparing for a Field Assessment.

All forestry students are required to complete the Foundational Forestry Skills Assessment to satisfy milestone requirements on their **degree progress report** and must achieve passing marks at each level of this assessment before graduating with any forestry degree from the College of Natural Resources at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. This two-part assessment occurs at three levels and is based on the accrued knowledge, skills, and abilities presented in the core forestry courses. Cumulative Core Courses include NRES 250, FOR 232, FOR 322, and FOR 332.

Assessment Level	Approximate Academic Year	Core Courses Completed	Minimum Written Assessment Score	Field Assessment Score Minimum
Introductory	Sophomore	NRES 250 and FOR 232	70%	70%
Intermediate	Junior	NRES 250, FOR 232, 322, and 332	70%	75%

WRITTEN ASSESSMENT

NOVEMBER 27 – DECEMBER 15, 2023

DESCRIPTION: To pass the self-assessment written component, you must achieve at least a 70%, or greater, on the independent online assessment regardless of level. If you receive unsatisfactory marks in the evaluation, you may study to improve your skills and repeat as needed. This assessment of learning will be available on Canvas.

DATES: The written assessment will be open online from **November 27th through December 15th**. You may complete this online assessment at any point to work towards achieving the written portion at the respective milestone.

COURSE LEAD: Dr. Melinda Vokoun

FIELD ASSESSMENT

1 PM DECEMBER 1, 2023

DESCRIPTION: The field component emphasizes the identification of 61 common trees and shrubs in central Wisconsin. You will be asked to identify 20 woody plants by common name. To successfully meet the passing criteria for the field component of the milestone, you need at least 70% (Introductory Level) or 75% (Intermediate Level).

DATES: Only one field assessment opportunity will be available on **Friday, Dec. 1 at 1:00 pm** in person. If you have a conflict with this time, please contact the instructor for alternatives. The next general available time will be during spring semester.

To satisfy the milestone requirements, forestry students must achieve passing marks in **both** the written and field assessments within the same semester to move on to the next level. Please visit the Canvas site for more information.

"The field assessment time doesn't work for me": If you cannot attend the scheduled field assessment appointment time or have accommodation needs, please contact the instructor (mvokoun@uwsp.edu) to find a time for the field assessment. However, please provide appropriate justification before 5 pm CDT, Nov 30, 2023, for alternatives. Failure to do so will result in an incomplete milestone requirement, and you may reattempt the assessment the following semester.

All eligible participants can win one of three \$20 Amazon gift cards!



Volunteers NEEDED

Looking for young adults ages 18-25 to participate in a research study about hearing health and hearing conservation related to firearm usage. Even if you've never used firearms, you are encouraged to sign up!

Scan the QR code for more information and to sign up!



Questions?

Contact Katelyn Herne:
✉ khern170@uwsp.edu



Become a Wildland Firefighter

Sponsored by the WI DNR and the UWSP Fire Crew.



- Receive the certifications necessary to qualify as a Firefighter Type 2.
- Gets you ready to apply for summer firefighting jobs across the United States with various federal, state, and local agencies as well as numerous private firefighting contract companies.

Certifications

- S-130: Firefighter Training
- S-190: Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior
- L-180: Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service
- IS-100.C: Introduction to the Incident Command System
- IS-700.B: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System

Course Schedule

Friday	February 23	12:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Saturday	February 24	8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Friday	March 1	8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Saturday	March 2	8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Sunday	March 3	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

How To Register

Download a registration form from: https://spin.uwsp.edu/organization/fire_crew
Scroll down to "Documents" and download the document named *Spring 2024 Wildland Fire Course Registration Form*. **OR**

Pick up an application at the UWSP Fire Crew office (red bulletin board across from office door).

UWSP Fire Crew office: Room 361A Trainer Natural Resources Building
800 Reserve Street
Stevens Point, WI. 54481

Mail or drop off your registration form and course fee to the address above.

Course Fee

\$150

**Applications Due By
February 17, 2024**

Questions?

Contact the UWSP Fire Crew at 715-346-2897 or firecrew@uwsp.edu.
To register, you must be 18 years or older by March 3, 2024.

Click these three separate links for more cool information and opportunities!



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[Professional Development and Student Organizations](#)



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