

Term Information

Effective Term Summer 2017
Previous Value Summer 2012

Course Change Information

What change is being proposed? (If more than one, what changes are being proposed?)

To make EEOB 1930 a General Education course.

What is the rationale for the proposed change(s)?

As an introduction to biological sciences course, it was designed to reach students of different areas of study. By having the Gen. Ed. designation, it will formally allow non-major students to fulfill their graduation requirements.

What are the programmatic implications of the proposed change(s)?

(e.g. program requirements to be added or removed, changes to be made in available resources, effect on other programs that use the course)?

Minimal changes are necessary to this course. Upon reviewing the general education guidelines for the Expected Learning Outcomes of a Natural Science - Biological Science course, the course currently strives to achieve these outcomes. As a Gen. Ed. course, it will be directly conveyed to the students that these are the goals of the course, and how those learning outcomes will be achieved.

Is approval of the request contingent upon the approval of other course or curricular program request? No

Is this a request to withdraw the course? No

General Information

Course Bulletin Listing/Subject Area	Evol, Ecology & Organismal Bio
Fiscal Unit/Academic Org	Evolution, Ecology & Org Bio - D0390
College/Academic Group	Arts and Sciences
Level/Career	Undergraduate
Course Number/Catalog	1930
Course Title	Introduction to Biological Studies - Aquatic Biology (Stone Lab)
Transcript Abbreviation	Intro Aq Biol SL
Course Description	An introduction to the organisms of the ecosystem in freshwater aquatic environments. 1-wk course available summer session at Stone Lab.
Semester Credit Hours/Units	Fixed: 2

Offering Information

Length Of Course	12 Week, 8 Week, 7 Week, 6 Week, 4 Week
Flexibly Scheduled Course	Always
Does any section of this course have a distance education component?	No
Grading Basis	Letter Grade
Repeatable	No
Course Components	Field Experience, Laboratory, Lecture
Grade Roster Component	Lecture
Credit Available by Exam	No
Admission Condition Course	No
Off Campus	Never
Campus of Offering	Columbus, Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark

Prerequisites and Exclusions

Prerequisites/Corequisites
Exclusions

Prereq: Completion of high school Biology course.
Not open to students with credit for 125.

Cross-Listings

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Subject/CIP Code

Subject/CIP Code	26.1304
Subsidy Level	General Studies Course
Intended Rank	Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior

Requirement/Elective Designation

General Education course:
Biological Science
The course is an elective (for this or other units) or is a service course for other units

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Course Details

Course goals or learning objectives/outcomes

- Students will understand the basic biological and ecological principles associated with freshwater ecosystems
- Students will understand key events in the development of science, exploring the history of taxonomic classifications, improvements of sampling equipment and technology
- Students will describe the interdependence of scientific and technological developments with the opportunity to collect, identify and analyze biological scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools
- Students will recognize implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world by discussing human impacts on aquatic communities

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Content Topic List

- Properties of water
- Biological terms and concepts as applied to the aquatic environment
- Basic collection and sampling methods
- Aquatic organisms and identification
- Aquatic food webs
- Basic aquatic ecology

COURSE CHANGE REQUEST
1930 - Status: PENDING

Last Updated: Fink, Steven Scott
02/22/2017

Attachments

- GE Rationale - expected learning outcomes - Intro Aquatic Bio.docx
(GEC Model Curriculum Compliance Stmt. Owner: Burbacher, Emily Ann)
- EEOB 1930 Proposed GE Syllabus.docx
(Syllabus. Owner: Burbacher, Emily Ann)
- GE Doc 5 - Assessment Plan - Expected Learning Outcomes - Intro to Aquatic Bio.pdf
(GEC Course Assessment Plan. Owner: Burbacher, Emily Ann)

Comments

Workflow Information

Status	User(s)	Date/Time	Step
Submitted	Burbacher, Emily Ann	12/16/2016 11:09 AM	Submitted for Approval
Approved	Johnson, Norman F	02/22/2017 10:19 AM	Unit Approval
Approved	Fink, Steven Scott	02/22/2017 10:53 AM	College Approval
Pending Approval	Nolen, Dawn Vankeerbergen, Bernadette Chantal Hanlin, Deborah Kay Jenkins, Mary Ellen Bigler	02/22/2017 10:53 AM	ASCCAO Approval

EEOB 1930: Introduction to Biological Studies - Aquatic Biology

Instructor Name, Email, Phone, Office Hours/location

Teaching Assistant Name, Email, Phone

Course Logistics

Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM; Location

Course Format

2 semester credit hours consisting of lecture, field work and laboratory time

This one-week, residential course immerses students in place-based learning from morning to night. Lectures and most lab work take place in classrooms at The Ohio State University's Stone Laboratory. Field work takes students to into creeks, streams, ponds, estuaries, and the open lake.

Course Description

EEOB 1930 introduces students to the components of freshwater ecosystems through experiential learning at The Ohio State University's Stone Laboratory. The course provides students with experiences in field and laboratory procedures while providing basic knowledge of biological and ecological principles in freshwater ecosystems. Overarching goals of the course include (1) classifying inland waters, (2) identifying the main structural components of aquatic ecosystems, (3) describing the general functioning of aquatic ecosystems, (4) identifying invertebrates, plants, and fish associated with different aquatic communities, and (5) discussing human impacts on aquatic communities.

Students learn common organisms associated with various aquatic ecosystems (e.g., large lakes, cold water streams, warm water streams, and warm water pond ecosystems) along with a description of each ecosystem's key features. They also gain a basic understanding of the properties of water, the physiochemical characteristics of lakes (i.e., relationship between physical, chemical, and biological aspects of aquatic habitats), lake seasonal dynamics, stream classification, and nutrient dynamics. Field and laboratory work are designed to enhance and reinforce major concepts discussed in lectures. Field trips will involve gathering physical and biological data from open lake research vessels; using a variety of methods to sample and identify plankton, macroinvertebrates, plants and fish from streams, estuaries and shallow bays; and experience with multiple types of lab equipment to analyze and draw conclusions related to water quality.

Expected Learning Outcomes (ELO):

As an introductory course, *Introduction to Biological Studies - Aquatic Biology* satisfies the ELOs by building on many concepts of science education standards: patterns, cause and effect, systems and systems models, energy and matter, structure and function, and stability and change.

1. Students understand the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of modern science.
 - Students learn basic biological and ecological principles associated with freshwater ecosystems including, but not limited to: physical properties of water; lake types, formation, and classification; water chemistry; seasonal lake dynamics; identification techniques and strategies and classification of major taxa of local aquatic flora and fauna (phytoplankton, zooplankton, mollusks, macroinvertebrates, fish)
2. Students understand key events in the development of science and recognize that science is an evolving body of knowledge.
 - Students will explore the history of taxonomic classifications, improvements of sampling equipment and technology, and understand how science is helping to foster informed and responsible decision making
3. Students describe the interdependence of scientific and technological developments.
 - Students will collect, identify, and analyze biological scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools. These include, but are not limited to: kick seines, Ekman dredges, trawl nets, D-ring nets, dip nets, trap nets, electro-fishing, sifting seines, snorkels, microscopes, dissecting scopes, dichotomous keys, dissection protocols, and sketch techniques.
 - Students will have the opportunity to collect, identify and analyze physical and chemical scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools. These include, but are not limited to: light meters, lead lines, depth finders, YSI sondes that include temperature and dissolved oxygen probes, Secchi disks, and colorimeters.
4. Students recognize social and philosophical implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.
 - Students will be able to describe the general functioning of aquatic ecosystems and discuss human impacts on aquatic communities
 - Students will gain Great Lakes literacy, understanding the characteristics, functioning, and value of the Great Lakes, so they can communicate about and make informed decisions regarding the resources of their watershed.

Course Materials

The Biology of Lakes and Ponds. 2005. Christer Bronmark and Lars-Anders Hansson. ISBN: 0-19-851613-4. Oxford University Press

Specimen collection containers and other field supplies can be purchased at Stone Laboratory as needed.

Course Outline

Day	Time	Description	Readings
Sunday	4:00p - 5:00p 5:00p - 6:00p 6:30p - 7:30p	Orientation: Introduction to Stone Laboratory Dinner Course introduction and Lecture I : Properties of water, lake formation, and lake classification	Pgs. 1-6, 11-15, 24-31
Monday	7:00 - 7:45a 8:00 - 9:00a 9:00 - 12:00p 12:00 - 12:45p 1:00 - 2:00p 2:00 - 5:00p 5:00 - 6:00p 6:15 - 8:00p 8:00 - 9:00p	Breakfast Finish Lecture I : Properties of water, lake formation, and lake classification Field Trip : Lake sampling aboard the <i>R/V Gibraltar III</i> (Record physical attributes of the lake and collect phytoplankton, zooplankton, benthic macroinvertebrates, and fish for later identification) Lunch Lecture II : Prokaryotes, phytoplankton and zooplankton Lab : How to use a microscope and examination of organisms collected from <i>R/V Gibraltar III</i> Dinner Microscope work continued and Field Trip : Macroinvertebrate sampling and seining around Gibraltar Island and Terwilliger's pond on South Bass Island Lecture III : QHEI and Sampling Techniques	Pgs. 66-92; stop at mysids
Tuesday	7:00 - 7:30a 7:30 - 4:30p 5:00 - 6:00p 6:00 - 7:00p 7:00 - 7:30p 7:30 - 9:00p	Breakfast Field Trip: Mainland rivers (sack lunches) Dinner Lecture IV : Macroinvertebrate ecology and identification and how to use a dichotomous key Quiz I Lab : Macroinvertebrate and Fish ID	Pgs. 92 - 102; up to fish
Wednesday	7:00 - 7:45a 8:00 - 8:30a 8:30 - 9:30a 9:30 - 11:00a 11:00 - 12:00p 12:00 - 12:45p 1:00 - 5:00p 5:00 - 6:00p 6:00 - 7:30p 7:30 - 8:30p 8:30 - done	Breakfast Quiz II Lecture V : Physiochemical characteristics of lakes Lab : Open lab; continue to examine plankton, invertebrates and fish Lecture VI : Fish identification Lunch Field Trip : Shock boat near Gibraltar Island and South Bass Dinner Field Trip : Snorkel and Seine around Gibraltar Island Lecture VII : Seasonal lake dynamics Work on assignments	Pgs. 32-65 Pgs. 101-102 Pgs. 16-18

Thursday	7:00 - 7:30a 7:30 - 4:30p 5:00 - 6:00p 6:00 - 7:00p 7:00 - 7:45p 8:00 - 9:00p	Breakfast Field Trip: Mainland Rivers (sack lunch) Dinner Lecture VIII: Lotic systems and the stream continuum concept Research Lecture Guest Lecture	
Friday	7:00 - 7:45a 8:00 - 8:30a 8:30 - 11:45p 12:00 - 12:45p 1:00 - 2:00p 2:00 - 5:00p 5:00 - 6:00p 6:00 - 6:30p 6:30 - done	Breakfast Quiz III Field Trip: Lake sampling aboard the <i>R/V Gibraltar III</i> to collect additional plankton, macroinvertebrate, and fish samples Lunch Lecture VIII: Current environmental threats Lab: Open Lab Dinner Quiz VI Open Review	Pgs. 235-250
Saturday	7:00 - 7:45a 8:00 - 9:00a 9:00 - 10:00a 10:00 - 12:00p	Breakfast Open Review Laboratory Practical Final Exam	

Major Assignments

Daily Assignments: You will receive written assignment based on laboratory activities for this course.

Assignments may include, but are not limited to, graphing data or theoretical relationships, data analysis, and critical thinking questions based on information gained during lecture, lab, or fieldwork during this course.

Quizzes: A written quiz consisting of 10-15 short answer, multiple choice, true and false, and/or fill-in-the-blank style questions. You will be tested on material covered in lectures and the textbook readings.

Group Project: You will be required to complete **one** of the following as outlined by your instructor: a) Group Presentation - Students will work with a partner to give a presentation about a Great Lake species of their choice or an issue that negatively affects Great Lakes water quality or b) Group Specimen Collection - At least seven phyla need to be present in your group collection consisting of at least 60 different species; i.e., 60 organisms. Detailed instructions on both projects will be handed out at the beginning of the course.

Laboratory Practical: An hour-long examination with questions pertaining to organism identification, structure, and function, performance-based assessments on microscope usage and sampling techniques, and other questions as decided by your instructor on material covered during the lab and field components of this course.

Final Exam: A two-hour long written exam consisting of essay, short answer, multiple choice, true and false, and/or fill-in-the-blank style questions. You will be tested on material covered in lectures and the textbook readings. The final exam will have some questions similar to your quizzes, but will also include more in-depth critical thinking questions.

Grading Information

Daily assignments based on class activities	10%
Quizzes (four, announced)	20%
Group Project	30%

Written Lab Practical	20%
Written Final Exam	20%

Grading Scale

90-100%	A
80-89%	B
70-79%	C
60-69 %	D
<60%	E

Attendance Policy

Students are expected to actively participate in all class sessions, including lectures, fieldwork and laboratory time.

Academic Misconduct

It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term “academic misconduct” includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed: illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct <http://studentlife.osu.edu/csc/>.

Disability Services

Students with disabilities that have been certified by the Office for Disability Services will be appropriately accommodated and should inform the instructor as soon as possible of their needs. The Office for Disability Services is located in 150 Pomerene Hall, 1760 Neil Avenue; telephone 614-292-3307, TDD 614-292-0901; <http://www.wds.ohio-state.edu/>.

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Goals: Students understand the principles, theories, and methods of modern science, the relationship between science and technology, the implications of scientific discoveries and the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.

Expected Learning Outcomes of Course Objectives

1. Students understand the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of modern science.
 - a. Students learn basic biological and ecological principles associated with freshwater ecosystems including, but not limited to: physical properties of water; lake types, formation, and classification; water chemistry; seasonal lake dynamics; identification techniques and strategies and classification of major taxa of local aquatic flora and fauna (phytoplankton, zooplankton, mollusks, macroinvertebrates, fish)
2. Students understand key events in the development of science and recognize that science is an evolving body of knowledge.
 - a. Students will explore the history of taxonomic classifications, improvements of sampling equipment and technology, and understand how science is helping to foster informed and responsible decision making
3. Students describe the inter-dependence of scientific and technological developments.
 - a. Students will collect, identify, and analyze biological scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools. These include, but are not limited to: kick seines, Ekman dredges, trawl nets, D-ring nets, dip nets, trap nets, electro-fishing, sifting seines, snorkels, microscopes, dissecting scopes, dichotomous keys, dissection protocols, and sketch techniques.
 - b. Students will have the opportunity to collect, identify and analyze physical and chemical scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools. These include, but are not limited to: light meters, lead lines, depth finders, YSI sondes that include temperature and dissolved oxygen probes, Secchi disks, and colorimeters.
4. Students recognize social and philosophical implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.
 - a. Students will be able to describe the general functioning of aquatic ecosystems and discuss human impacts on aquatic communities
 - b. Students will gain Great Lakes literacy, understanding the characteristics, functioning, and value of the Great Lakes, so they can communicate about and make informed decisions regarding the resources of their watershed.

Expected Learning Outcomes of Readings

1. Students understand the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of modern science.
 - a. Through the readings, students learn basic biological and ecological principles associated with freshwater ecosystems, including physical properties of water; lake types, formation, and classification; water chemistry; seasonal lake dynamics; identification techniques and strategies and classification of major taxa of local aquatic flora and fauna (phytoplankton, zooplankton, mollusks, macroinvertebrates, fish)
2. Students understand key events in the development of science and recognize that science is an evolving body of knowledge.
 - a. Students will explore the history of taxonomic classifications in the course readings, and further recognize how science is helping to foster informed and responsible decision making.
3. Students describe the inter-dependence of scientific and technological developments.
 - a. With assigned readings, students will discuss the recent developments of understanding the effects of human-induced environmental threats, like global climate change.
4. Students recognize social and philosophical implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.
 - a. With the readings, students will be able to describe the general functioning of aquatic ecosystems and discuss human impacts on aquatic communities
 - b. With assigned readings and course field trips, students will gain Great Lakes literacy, understanding the characteristics, functioning, and value of the Great Lakes, so they can communicate about and make informed decisions regarding the resources of their watershed.

Expected Learning Outcomes of Course Topics

1. Students understand the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of modern science.
 - a. With the topics emphasized in this course, students learn basic biological and ecological principles associated with freshwater ecosystems including, but not limited to: physical properties of water; lake types, formation, and classification; water chemistry; seasonal lake dynamics; identification techniques and strategies and classification of major taxa of local aquatic flora and fauna (phytoplankton, zooplankton, mollusks, macroinvertebrates, fish)
2. Students understand key events in the development of science and recognize that science is an evolving body of knowledge.
 - a. Many topics of this course will explore the history of taxonomic classifications, improvements of sampling equipment and technology, and understand how science is helping to foster informed and responsible decision making

3. Students describe the inter-dependence of scientific and technological developments.
 - a. Students will collect, identify, and analyze biological, physical, and chemical scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools, as a part of key topics of this course.
 - b. Students will discuss the recent developments of understanding the effects of human-induced environmental threats, like global climate change.
4. Students recognize social and philosophical implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.
 - a. Students will be able to describe the general functioning of aquatic ecosystems and discuss human impacts on aquatic communities
 - b. Students will gain Great Lakes literacy, understanding the characteristics, functioning, and value of the Great Lakes, so they can communicate about and make informed decisions regarding the resources of their watershed.

Expected Learning Outcomes of Course Assignments

1. Students understand the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of modern science.
 - a. Students will understand and be able to describe basic biological and ecological principles associated with freshwater ecosystems including, but not limited to: physical properties of water; lake types, formation, and classification; water chemistry; seasonal lake dynamics; identification techniques and strategies and classification of major taxa of local aquatic flora and fauna (phytoplankton, zooplankton, mollusks, macroinvertebrates, fish)
2. Students understand key events in the development of science and recognize that science is an evolving body of knowledge.
 - a. Students will explore the history of taxonomic classifications, improvements of sampling equipment and technology, and think critically about how science is helping to foster informed and responsible decision making
3. Students describe the inter-dependence of scientific and technological developments.
 - a. Students will collect, identify, and analyze biological scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools. These include, but are not limited to: kick seines, Ekman dredges, trawl nets, D-ring nets, dip nets, trap nets, electro-fishing, sifting seines, snorkels, microscopes, dissecting scopes, dichotomous keys, dissection protocols, and sketch techniques.
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 - c. Students will discuss the recent developments of understanding the effects of human-induced environmental threats, like global climate change.
4. Students recognize social and philosophical implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.

- a. Students will be able to describe the general functioning of aquatic ecosystems and discuss human impacts on aquatic communities
- b. Students will gain Great Lakes literacy, understanding the characteristics, functioning, and value of the Great Lakes, so they can communicate about and make informed decisions regarding the resources of their watershed.

Expected Learning Outcomes of Other Course Components

1. Students understand the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of modern science.
 - a. In the field, students learn and explore the basic biological and ecological principles associated with freshwater ecosystems including, but not limited to: physical properties of water; lake types, formation, and classification; water chemistry; seasonal lake dynamics; identification techniques and strategies and classification of major taxa of local aquatic flora and fauna (phytoplankton, zooplankton, mollusks, macroinvertebrates, fish)
2. Students understand key events in the development of science and recognize that science is an evolving body of knowledge.
 - a. In the field and laboratory, students will explore the improvements of sampling equipment and technology, and understand how science is helping to foster informed and responsible decision making
3. Students describe the inter-dependence of scientific and technological developments.
 - a. In the field and laboratory, students will collect, identify, and analyze biological scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools. These include, but are not limited to: kick seines, Ekman dredges, trawl nets, D-ring nets, dip nets, trap nets, electro-fishing, sifting seines, snorkels, microscopes, dissecting scopes, dichotomous keys, dissection protocols, and sketch techniques.
 - b. In the field and laboratory, students will have the opportunity to collect, identify and analyze physical and chemical scientific data using a variety of traditional and modern techniques and tools. These include, but are not limited to: light meters, lead lines, depth finders, YSI sondes that include temperature and dissolved oxygen probes, Secchi disks, and colorimeters.
4. Students recognize social and philosophical implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.
 - a. From experience in the field as well as course readings, students will be able to describe the general functioning of aquatic ecosystems and discuss human impacts on aquatic communities
 - b. Students will gain Great Lakes literacy, understanding the characteristics, functioning, and value of the Great Lakes, so they can communicate about and make informed decisions regarding the resources of their watershed.

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Natural Science GE Goals: Students understand the principles, theories, and methods of modern science, the relationship between science and technology, the implications of scientific discoveries and the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.

GE Expected Learning Outcomes	Methods of Assessment *Direct methods are required. Additional Indirect methods are encouraged.	Level of student achievement expected for the GE ELO. (for example define percentage of students achieving a specified level on a scoring rubric)	What is the process that will be used to review the data and potentially change the course to improve student learning of GE ELOs?
<p>ELO 1 Students understand the basic facts, principles, theories and methods of modern science.</p>	<p>Daily assignments and quizzes, as well as a group project, laboratory practical, and final exam. Performance based assesement: use of dichotomous key, microscope usage, and engagement level on field surveys. Surveying students during class, both in the classroom and in the field.</p>	<p>80% of the students obtaining a final score of 80% and above. Given that this is a 1-week course (7 days), level of engagement both in the classroom and in the field is expected to be high.</p>	<p>Frequent surveys throughout the course to assess the students perception of how well the lessons are teaching towards the ELOS's. Additionally, an end-of-course survey will be conducted. Results from the surveys as well as the level of student achievement will be used through the week to improve any lessons as well as address any lesson concerns for future classes.</p>
<p>ELO 2 Students understand key events in the development of science and recognize that science is an evolving body of knowledge.</p>	<p>Assessment with daily assignments and quizzes, as well as a group project, laboratory practical, and final exam. Surveying students during class, both in the classroom and in the field.</p>	<p>80% of the students obtaining a final score of 80% and above.</p>	
<p>ELO 3 Students describe the inter-dependence of scientific and technological developments.</p>	<p>Daily assignments and quizzes, as well as a group project, laboratory practical, and final exam. Surveying students during class, both in the classroom and in the field. Performance based assesement: microscope usage, field equipment usage, engagement level on field surveys</p>	<p>80% of the students obtaining a final score of 80% and above. Given that this is a 1-week course (7 days), level of engagement both in the classroom and in the field is expected to be high.</p>	
<p>ELO 4 Students recognize social and philosophical implications of scientific discoveries and understand the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world</p>	<p>A final group project, as well as daily assignments, quizzes, and final exam. Surveying students during class, both in the classroom and in the field.</p>	<p>80% of the students obtaining a final score of 80% and above.</p>	