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## **General Syllabus**

### **BIOL 10501 General Zoology Laboratory**

Credit Hours: 1 Lecture Hours: 0 Laboratory Hours: 3

Prerequisite: BIOL 10031 Biological Science Laboratory OR BIOL 20181 General

**Biology Laboratory** 

Prerequisite or corequisite: BIOL 10503 General Zoology

Effective Catalog: 2018- 2019

### I. Course Information

### A. Catalog Description

Covers the classification, morphology, and major biological features of animals.

#### **B.** Additional Information - None

## **II.** Student Learning Outcomes

#### A. Subject Matter

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Recognize the major groups of animals.
- 2. Identify many of the local forms of animals.
- 3. Use a taxonomic key for identification purposes.
- 4. Describe the general characteristics of the major animal phyla and name representatives of each.
- 5. Discuss some of the major traits of animals used to construct a phylogenetic tree.
- 6. Discuss some of the ecological factors influencing distribution patterns of animals within and between phyla.

#### **B.** University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

### **Analytical Skills**

**Critical Thinking Skills:** Students will identify a problem or issue, and research, evaluate, and compare information from varying sources in order to evaluate authority, accuracy, recency, and bias relevant to the problems/issues. Students will

apply appropriate mathematical/statistical models to solve problems, and represent mathematical/statistical information symbolically, visually, numerically and verbally and will interpret models and data in order to draw inferences.

## **Communication Skills (written and oral)**

Students will effectively communicate scientific ideas and principles. Students will compose scientifically sound lab reports and communicate facts to intended audience.

# **Ethical Decision Making**

Students will identify ethical dilemmas and affected parties, and apply ethical frameworks to resolve a variety of ethical dilemmas.

# **Global & Cultural Perspectives**

Students will work in groups comprised of diverse cultures and cultural perspectives.

# **III.** Major Course Topics

- A. Animal classification
  - 1. Introduction to animal taxonomy
  - 2. Using a taxonomic key to identify major animal taxa
- B. Protozoan groups
  - 1. Amoeba
  - 2. Phylum Euglenozoa
  - 3. Phylum Apicomplexa
  - 4. Phylum Ciliophora
- C. Sponges
  - 1. Anatomy of a syconoid sponge
  - 2. Microscopic study of cell types
- D. Phylum Cnidaria
  - 1. Class Hydrozoa study of *Hydra*
  - 2. Class Scyphozoa Aurelia
  - 3. Class Anthozoa
- E. Phylum Platyhelminthes
  - 1. Class Turbellaria planarians
  - 2. Class Trematoda digenetic flukes
  - 3. Class Cestoda tapeworms
- F. Small protostome phyla: Nematoda and Rotifera
  - 1. General features and internal structure of Ascaris
  - 2. Microscopic examination of a rotifer culture
- G. Mollusks
  - 1. External and internal anatomy of a freshwater clam
  - 2. External anatomy of a snail
  - 3. External structure and mantle cavity of a squid
- H. Annelids
  - 1. External examination of errant polychaete Nereis
  - 2. Earthworm dissection

- 3. External anatomy of a leech
- I. The chelicerate arthropods
  - 1. Anatomy of horseshoe crab
  - 2. Anatomy of garden spider
- J. The crustacean arthropods
  - 1. External and internal anatomy of crayfish
  - 2. Study of living *Daphnia*
- K. Myriapod and hexapod arthropods
  - 1. External anatomy of centipedes and millipedes
  - 2. Anatomy of grasshopper and honeybee
  - 3. Study of *Drosophila* life cycle
- L. Echinoderms
  - 1. Anatomy of a sea star
  - 2. Anatomy of a brittle star
  - 3. Anatomy of a sea urchin
  - 4. Anatomy of a sea cucumber
- M. Phylum Chordata
  - 1. Study of adult and larval tunicate
  - 2. Anatomy of Amphioxus
- N. Fishes: lampreys, sharks, and bony fishes
  - 1. External anatomy of a sea lamprey adult and ammocoete larva
  - 2. External anatomy of a shark
  - 3. External and internal anatomy of a yellow perch
- O. The mammals: fetal pig dissection
  - 1. Examination of cat skeleton
  - 2. Pig digestive system
  - 3. Pig respiratory system
  - 4. Pig circulatory system
  - 5. Pig urogenital system
  - 6. Nervous system: study of sheep brain