

**Department of Environmental Health Science
College of Public Health
University of Georgia**

**EHSC 2020
Orientation to Environmental Health Science
Fall Semester 2009 Syllabus**

Course Information

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Course Meeting Time and Location

Building: Environmental Health Science
Room: Room 101
Day: Wednesdays
Time: 9:05 - 9:55 am

Textbooks and Other Required Course Material

There is no required text for this course.

Course Description

Seminars focus on current topics in environmental health science, including environmental protection, industrial hygiene, toxicology, risk assessment, and public health.

Course Learning Objectives

This course is intended for students who are majoring in Environmental Health Science or non-majors who are interested in learning more about the Environmental Health Science field. Upon completion of the course, the students should be able to:

- Formulate questions and participate in class discussions on topics presented by professionals in the various fields of Environmental Health Science.
- Discuss current Environmental Health topics.
- Describe various roles and career pathways of an Environmental Health Scientist in today's society.

Course Requirements for Grading Purposes

1) Mandatory attendance! Roll will be taken at the beginning of each class. Each absence will result in a reduction of 1 letter grade (i.e., from “A” to “B”). Excused absences will be noted only if accompanied with written documentation from an appropriate professional such as the health clinic or a medical professional. Please give instructor sufficient prior notification of any excused absences. Final decisions concerning excused/unexcused absences will be determined by the instructor.

2) Tardiness: As tardiness is disruptive to the class as well as the guest lecturer, two late entries into the class will be considered one unexcused absence and will result in a deduction of one letter grade.

3) Class Participation: Students are required to participate in class by asking questions throughout the semester. Each student is to formulate two questions regarding each lecture. Although each question may not be asked to the presenter, they must all be turned in to the instructor at the end of each class session.

Topical Outline

Topics covering an array of environmental issues will be covered weekly by guest lectures from experts in the field.

Grading Policy

Grades will be assigned for attendance and class participation. If questions are not received by the instructor at the end of each meeting session, you will be counted as absent for that day and subsequently receive a letter grade reduction.

Make-Up Policy

There are no make-up options for this course

Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory. See above for handling of excused absences.

University Honor Code and Academic Honesty Policy

All academic work must meet the standards contained in “A Culture of Honesty.” All students are responsible to inform themselves about those standards before performing any academic work.

More information may be found at: <http://www.uga.edu/ovpi/honesty/acadhon.htm>

Students with Disabilities

Students with disabilities who require reasonable accommodations in order to participate in course activities or meet course requirements should contact the instructor or designate during regular office hours or by appointment.

General Disclaimer

The course syllabus is a general plan for the course; deviations announced to the class by the instructor may be necessary.

Tentative Schedule

| Date | Class Activity |
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| 08/19/09 | Introduction |
| 08/26/09 | Monica Pereira (Reference Library-UGA) |
| 09/02/09 | Dr. Mary Alice Smith (Mammalian Toxicology-UGA) |
| 09/09/09 | Dr. Travis Glenn (Environmental Genetics and Genomics-UGA) |
| 09/16/09 | Dr. Erin Lipp (Water quality and contamination-UGA) |
| 09/23/09 | Dr. Robert Bringolf (Fisheries-UGA) |
| 09/30/09 | Greg Bell (Environmental Safety Division-UGA) |
| 10/07/09 | Dr. Anne Marie Zimeri (Internships-UGA) |
| 10/14/09 | Dr. Marsha Black (Aquatic Toxicology-UGA) |
| 10/21/09 | Bill Cosgrove (Water Quality-USEPA) |
| 10/28/09 | Dr. Anthony Glenn (Toxicology and Mycotoxins-USDA) |
| 11/04/09 | Dr. A. Wayne Garrison (Research Chemist-EPA) |
| 11/11/09 | Art Tippit (Industrial hygienist) |
| 11/18/09 | Graduate Student Panel |
| 11/25/09 | Thanksgiving Break (no class) |
| 12/02/09 | <i>Last Day of Class (Question and Answer Session/Review Grades)</i> |