Boettcher---NRES 250 Lab Syllabus (Wednesday 12:00 pm to 1:50 pm)

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

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Office Hours: Thursday 2-3 pm;

I will be available to you during these hours unless noted otherwise. However, you are always welcome to stop in and ask any questions if my door is open and I am not running off to another class.

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. There will be a 5% deducted per day for assignments that are turned in late.

Exams and Quizzes: Completion of all assignments is your responsibility! If you are not there for exams or quizzes, they count as zero. If you miss an exam or quiz and would like to take a make-up then you will need to provide me with a substantive reason, such as a doctor's note to verify an illness, before you will be allowed to take a make-up exam or quiz.

Attendance: As with any course, attendance and all course materials are your responsibility. If you cannot attend your assigned class time due to a valid reason, you will be given reasonable help. It is your responsibility to find out what information you may have missed.

Students with Disabilities: The university has a legal responsibility to provide accommodations and program access as legislated 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. Shelli Dubay for this course) as well as the Office of Disability Services, 609 ALB, voice (715) 346-3365 or TDD (715) 346-3362.

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

- Two field assignments together worth 7%
- Periodic quizzes worth a total of 6%
- Scientific Paper worth 9%
- Midterm exam worth 9%
- Final Exam worth 9%

Week	Topic	
Sept 4	NO Lab	
Sept 11	Tree Identification	
Sept 18	Compass and Pacing practice	
Sept 25	GPS and Compass/Pacing (Schmeeckle Reserve)	
Oct 2	Timber Resource Measurements	(Compass/ GPS due)
Oct 9	Timber Cruising	
Oct 16	Snags and Woody Debris	
Oct 23	MID-TERM LAB EXAM	
Oct 30	Forest Succession	(Timber/Debris Paper due)
Nov 6	Scientific Writing	
Nov 13	Sampling Fish & Wildlife Populations	
Nov 20	Scientific Method	
Nov 27	NO LAB—THANKS GIVING BREAK	
Dec 4	Rectangular Land Survey	(Wildlife Paper Due)
Dec 11	FINAL LAB EXAM	

Highlighted labs are at least all or partially outside. Please dress appropriately.