Differentiation Summary – Field Ecology of Aquatic Organisms

Student Learning Objectives

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Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Identify key flora and fauna found in Florida's ponds, lakes, streams, rivers, estuaries, and nearshore coastal waters and have a basic understanding of their ecologies
- Utilize sampling gear and methods to collect flora and fauna across a broad range of habitat types
- Discuss important ecological relationships in Florida's diverse aquatic ecosystems
- Summarize the potential consequences of human activities and natural disturbance events on the structure and function of aquatic ecosystems in Florida
- Describe the priorities and role that state and federal environmental and resource management agencies have in conserving, regulating, or restoring the aquatic systems and organisms in Florida.

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Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Identify key flora and fauna found in Florida's ponds, lakes, streams, rivers, estuaries, and nearshore coastal waters and have a basic understanding of their ecologies
- Proficiently utilize sampling gear and methods to collect flora and fauna across a broad range of habitat types
- Discuss important ecological relationships in Florida's diverse aquatic ecosystems
- Assess the potential consequences of human activities and natural disturbance events on the structure and function of aquatic ecosystems in Florida
- Evaluate the priorities and role that state and federal environmental and resource management agencies have in conserving, regulating, or restoring the aquatic systems and organisms in Florida.
- Create original educational content about the ecology of a select aquatic species in Florida incorporating field observations.

Grading

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Participation & Professionalism 50 pts

Exams

Freshwater flora and fauna field identification midterm 100 pts Flora and fauna estuarine/marine field identification final 100 pts

Written final 100pts

Total 350pts

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Written final 100pts Video Project 100 pts **Total** 450pts