ZOO 4513 ANIMAL BEHAVIOR Fall 2014 Syllabus

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Required Materials: 1) Perspectives on Animal Behavior, 3rd edition, Goodenough,

Jakob, & McGuire

Website: See UCF Webcourses

Grades: The student's grade will be determined by four lecture exams (worth 100

points each). Total lecture points available is 400.

Grading Scale:

 $A = 400 \rightarrow 360$ $B = 359 \rightarrow 320$ $C = 319 \rightarrow 280$

D = 279 -> 240

F = 239 -> 0

Note: +/- grades are not used in this class.

Academic Honesty: Refer to the UCF Golden Rule which will be rigidly adhered to.

Attendance: Due to the volume of material presented during this course, good attendance is a essential! You alone are responsible for all missed work.

Make - Up Policy: Lecture exams may be made up at the instructor's discretion.

(Note: Such is a rare event.)

Preparation: You are expected to be prepared for every class. That includes reading all

assigned materials before each lecture and lab session.

Important Dates: Add Deadline - Aug. 22

Drop Deadline – Aug. 21

Withdrawal Deadline - Oct. 27

Office Hours: MWF 11:00-12:00 and 3:00-3:30 in BL 202c and by appointment

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	LECTURE COURSE OUTLINE	

Week	Subjects Tex	t Chapters	
Aug 17	History of Animal Behavior	2	
Aug 24	The Genetic Analysis of Animal Behavior	3	
Aug 31	Natural Selection and Animal Behavior	4	
Sep 7	Learning and Cognition	5	
Sep 14	The Neurological Basis of Behavior	6	
Sep 21	The Hormonal Basis of Behavior	7	
Sep 28	The Development of Behavior	8	
Oct 5	Mechanisms of Orientation and Navigation	9	
Oct 12	The Evolution and Ecology of Spatial Distribution		
	and Behaviors Involved in Foraging for Food	11 & 12	
Oct 19	Antipredator Behaviors	13	
Oct 26	Reproductive Behaviors	14	
Nov 2	Parental and Mating Behaviors	15	
Nov 9	Communication and The Evolution of Communication	on 16 & 17	
Nov 16	Conflict Behaviors	18	
Nov 23	Group Living, Altruism, and Cooperation	19	
Nov 31	Group Living, Altruism, and Cooperation (cont.) & Finals Week		

Tentative Lecture Exam Schedule

Lecture Examination	<u>Date</u>	Lecture Exam Material
One	Sep 15	Ch. 2-5
Two	Oct 10	Ch. 6-9
Three	Nov 3	Ch. 11-14
Four	Dec 8 (1:30-2:30)	Ch. 15-19

NOTE: The dates for these exams may need to be changed as the semester progresses. If such becomes necessary, you will be notified at the earliest possible time.