

AG 336 01W, Wildlife Management II

Spring 2020

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

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COURSE INFORMATION

Textbook(s) Required: Krausman, P.R., and J.W. Cain III. 2013. Wildlife Management and Conservation – Contemporary Principles and Practices. The Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore, USA.

Arrangements will be made if you cannot purchase this book. Optional texts and/or materials will be provided by the professor

Course Description

This course is designed to complement Wildlife Management I, as an introduction to the many dimensions of wildlife and conservation science. Topics covered include Hunting and Trapping, Impacts of Weather and Climate, Nutritional Ecology, Water Impacts, Predator Prey Relationships, Animal Behavior, Habitat Management, Wildlife Restoration, and Conservation and Planning for Wildlife and Habitat.

Student Learning Outcomes (Should be measurable; observable; use action

verbs)

- 1. Demonstrate knowledge of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation
- 2. Understand habitat utility and basic nutrition relevant to wildlife
- 3. Recognize important factors of animal behavior
- 4. Understand the basic concepts of conservation planning
- 5. Demonstrate basic knowledge of managing wildlife populations

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Minimal Technical Skills Needed

You must be proficient in navigating myleoonline.tamuc.edu, using Microsoft Word and PowerPoint, e-mailing your instructor, and opening .pdf documents.

Instructional Methods

You will be required to read the book chapters, supplemental reading material, and instructional PowerPoint slides. Quizzes and exams will cover the material presented to you via myleoonline.tamuc.edu, and information in the text.

Student Responsibilities or Tips for Success in the Course

To be successful in the course, students must complete all tests and assignments on the date they are due. Thus, you, the student, are responsible for keeping track of due dates. You will also be responsible for having access to secure and reliable internet service. The successful student will arrange to complete and submit required work well before the due date to avoid connectivity issues. Always have a "plan B."

GRADING

Final grades in this course will be based on the following scale:

A = 90%-100% \ge 360 pts B = 80%-89% = 320-359 pts C = 70%-79% = 280-319 pts D = 60%-69% = 240-279 pts F = 59% or below \le 239 pts

Assessments

Exam 1: 150 pts Final Exam: 150 pts Quizzes: 100 pts

Exams: There will be 1 sub term exam and 1 final exam, each based on multiple chapters and including material from the textbook and PowerPoint slides. You will be able to take the test any time during the day that it is assigned. However, you should ensure you have ample time to take the test before midnight.

Quizzes: For each week of material, there will be a quiz based on the material in the textbook and PowerPoint slides. The quiz will be composed of 10 questions and will be timed. You will be able to take the quiz anytime during the day that it is assigned. However, you should ensure you have ample time to take the test before midnight.

COURSE OUTLINE / CALENDAR

Week 1 Week 2 Week 3	1/13–1/17 1/21–1/24 1/27–1/31	Course Introduction, Assignments Chapter 1 and PowerPoint 1; Overview Texas Wildlife, Quiz 1
Week 4	2/3–1/7	Chapter 9, Quiz 2
Week 5	2/10–2/14	Chapters 10 and 17, Quiz 3
Week 6	2/17–2/21	Chapter 11, Quiz 4
Week 7	2/24–2/28	Chapter 12, Quiz 5
Week 8	3/2-3/6	Exam 1 covering all prior material
Week 9	3/9–3/13	Spring Break (University Closed)
Week 10	3/16–3/20	My Life as a Turkey
Week 11	3/23–3/27	Chapter 14, Quiz 6
Week 12	3/30–4/3	Chapter 15, Quiz 7
Week 13	4/6-4/10	Chapter 16, Quiz 8
Week 14	413–4/17	Chapter 18, Quiz 9
Week 15	4/20-4/24	Chapter 19, Quiz 10
Week 16	4/27–5/1	Review
Week 17	5/1—5/8	Final Exam Covering TX Wild, Ch. 6-9, MLAAT

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

LMS

All course sections offered by Texas A&M University-Commerce have a corresponding course shell in the myLeo Online Learning Management System (LMS). Below are technical requirements

LMS Requirements:

https://community.brightspace.com/s/article/Brightspace-Platform-Requirements

LMS Browser Support:

https://documentation.brightspace.com/EN/brightspace/requirements/all/browser_support.htm

YouSeeU Virtual Classroom Requirements:

https://support.youseeu.com/hc/en-us/articles/115007031107-Basic-System-Requirements

ACCESS AND NAVIGATION

You will need your campus-wide ID (CWID) and password to log into the course. If you do not know your CWID or have forgotten your password, contact the Center for IT Excellence (CITE) at 903.468.6000 or <u>helpdesk@tamuc.edu</u>.

Note: Personal computer and internet connection problems do not excuse the requirement to complete all course work in a timely and satisfactory manner. Each student needs to have a backup method to deal with these inevitable problems. These methods might include the availability of a backup PC at home or work, the temporary use of a computer at a friend's home, the local library, office service companies, Starbucks, a TAMUC campus open computer lab, etc.

COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT

If you have any questions or are having difficulties with the course material, please contact your Instructor.

Technical Support

If you are having technical difficulty with any part of Brightspace, please contact Brightspace Technical Support at 1-877-325-7778. Other support options can be found here:

https://community.brightspace.com/support/s/contactsupport

COURSE AND UNIVERSITY PROCEDURES/POLICIES

Syllabus Change Policy

The syllabus is a guide. Circumstances and events, such as student progress, may make it necessary for the instructor to modify the syllabus during the semester. Any changes made to the syllabus will be announced in advance.

University Specific Procedures

Student Conduct

All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment. The Code of Student Conduct is described in detail in the <u>Student Guidebook</u>. <u>http://www.tamuc.edu/Admissions/oneStopShop/undergraduateAdmissions/studentGuidebook.as</u> <u>px</u>

Students should also consult the Rules of Netiquette for more information regarding how to interact with students in an online forum: <u>https://www.britannica.com/topic/netiquette</u>

TAMUC Attendance

For more information about the attendance policy please visit the <u>Attendance</u> webpage and <u>Procedure 13.99.99.R0.01</u>. <u>http://www.tamuc.edu/admissions/registrar/generalInformation/attendance.aspx</u>

http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/13students/academic/13.99.99.R0.01.pdf

Academic Integrity

Students at Texas A&M University-Commerce are expected to maintain high standards of integrity and honesty in all of their scholastic work. For more details and the definition of academic dishonesty see the following procedures:

Undergraduate Academic Dishonesty 13.99.99.R0.03

http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/13students/undergraduates/13.99.99.R0.03UndergraduateAcademicDishonesty.pdf

Graduate Student Academic Dishonesty 13.99.99.R0.10

http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/13students/graduate/13.99.99.R0.10GraduateStudentAcademicDishonesty.pdf

Students with Disabilities-- ADA Statement

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact:

Office of Student Disability Resources and Services

Texas A&M University-Commerce Gee Library- Room 162 Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835 Fax (903) 468-8148 Email: <u>studentdisabilityservices@tamuc.edu</u> Website: <u>Office of Student Disability Resources and Services</u> <u>http://www.tamuc.edu/campusLife/campusServices/studentDisabilityResourcesAndServ</u> <u>ices/</u>

Nondiscrimination Notice

Texas A&M University-Commerce will comply in the classroom, and in online courses, with all federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination and related retaliation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, genetic information or veteran status. Further, an environment free from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression will be maintained.

Campus Concealed Carry Statement

Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in Texas A&M University-Commerce buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and A&M-Commerce Rule 34.06.02.R1, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations.

For a list of locations, please refer to the <u>Carrying Concealed Handguns On Campus</u> document and/or consult your event organizer.

Web url: <u>http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/34SafetyOfEmployeesAndStudents/34.06.02.R1.pdf</u>

Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all A&M-Commerce campuses. Report violations to the University Police Department at 903-886-5868 or 9-1-1.