

McCracken Bat Lab: Fall 2013

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Meeting Time: Fridays @ Noon in 427 Hesler

Required Texts or Prerequisites: None

Learning Objectives: Obtain a working knowledge of bat related research using primary literature and novel research.

Schedule:



Date	Topic	Purpose
August 23	Schedule discussion leaders/topics	
August 30	Rabies Resolution	Edit NASBR rabies resolution
September 6	Economic importance of bats	Read Boyles et al. 2011
September 13	White-nose Syndrome Update	Update from 2013 WNS Workshop
September 20	Hibernation physiology	
September 27	Graduate Student Poster	Prep for NASBR
October 4	Graduate Student Oral Presentations	Prep for NASBR
October 11		
October 18	Fall Break	
October 25	Bats and their Prey	Read McCracken & Boyles <i>in press</i>
November 1	CV/Resume workshop	Edit and fix CVs for job/graduate school/etc.
November 8	WNS and Swabbing	NSF National protocol
November 15	Review paper	Review graduate student manuscripts
November 22	Review paper	Review graduate student manuscripts

Activities: Each week a student will pick a paper from the primary literature [or a manuscript that they are preparing] and lead discussion on that paper. All students are expected to read each paper and participate in the discussion.

Up Coming Talks & Activities:

White nose Syndrome Workshop: September 10-13, 2013, Boise, ID

Boo at the Zoo: October 10-13, 17-20, 24-27, 2013

Tennessee Bat Working Group meeting: November 21, 2013, Fall Creek Falls

Grading Scale:

- A = 90-100%
- B = 80-89%
- C = 70-79%
- D = 60-69%
- F = 0-59%

Make-up work: Because this is a seminar course that meets once a week, there will be no opportunities for make-up work. Some exceptions may be made dependent upon the reason for absence.

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