

BIOL 329
Vertebrates of British Columbia
University of Victoria – Summer 2018

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Cunningham 232
Office hours: By appointment

Lectures (Cunningham 146): Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10:30 AM – 12:20 PM

Lab Instructor: Dr. Neville Winchester

Labs (Cunningham 228): Tuesday, Friday: 1:30–4:20 PM

Textbook: There is no textbook for this course.

Course website: BIOL 329 on coursespaces.uvic.ca

Learning Objectives: *At the end of the course:*

1. You should understand the major factors that influence the organization, distribution, and diversity of vertebrates (tetrapods) in British Columbia.
2. You should master the skills needed to identify the vertebrates (tetrapods) in British Columbia.

Assessment of Grades:

Lecture Midterm Exam	25%	June 5
Lecture Final Exam	25%	June 27
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Lab Midterm Quiz	5%	June 1
Lab Midterm Identification	20%	June 1
Lab Final Quiz	5%	June 22
Lab Final Identification	20%	June 22
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Important Notes:

- 1) No supplemental midterm exams will be offered. If you miss the midterm (due to an emergency or medical reason with original documentation), the final exam grade will be used in place of the midterm in the final grade assignment.
- 2) Students who do not complete all tests and assignments will be given a final grade of 'N' and will not be permitted to write the final exam.
- 3) Final grades will be assigned on the basis of UVic's official grading scale with 'F' and 'N' as per university regulations.
- 4) The last date for course withdrawal without academic penalty ('F') is 13 June 2018.

- 5) The University has a strict Policy on Academic Integrity, which includes provisions for the “Unauthorized Use of an Editor”. All students are required to familiarize themselves with this policy, which is described in detail in the University Calendar: <http://web.uvic.ca/calendar2018-01/undergrad/info/regulations/academic-integrity.html>

BIOL 329 Lecture Course Schedule* – Summer 2018

<u>Week of</u>	<u>Lecture Topics</u>
<u>May 14</u>	Introduction Amphibians: Evolution and natural history, BC topics: species diversity, distribution, conservation
<u>May 21</u>	Reptiles: Evolution and natural history, BC topics: species diversity, distribution, conservation
<u>May 28</u>	Aves: Evolution and natural history, BC topics: species diversity, distribution, conservation
<u>June 4</u>	Aves: Evolution and natural history, BC topics: species diversity, distribution, conservation
<u>June 11</u>	Mammalia: Evolution and natural history, BC topics: species diversity, distribution, conservation
<u>June 18</u>	Mammalia: Evolution and natural history, BC topics: species diversity, distribution, conservation
<u>June 25</u>	Alien species, conservation

* The lecture schedule is subject to revision as the course progresses.