



BIOLOGY 335 (20415) Jan 2022 ICHTHYOLOGY

Biology of Fishes

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Lecture: 0830-0920, Tues, Wed, Fri

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Outline of Lecture Topics (online first two weeks, synchronous)

General morphology and anatomy of fishes

Diversity - hagfish to manta ray

- lungfish to salmon

- rockfish to halibut

Swimming hydrodynamics - propulsion, drag, fin function

Physiology - buoyancy, osmoregulation, O₂ uptake

**Sensory modes - chemoreception, mechanoreceptors, electroreception, vision,
nociception, perception**

Behavioral ecology - reproduction, foraging, soundscape, parasitism

Natural selection and adaptation

Fisheries science - principles, applications, limitations

Global fishery crisis - major causes

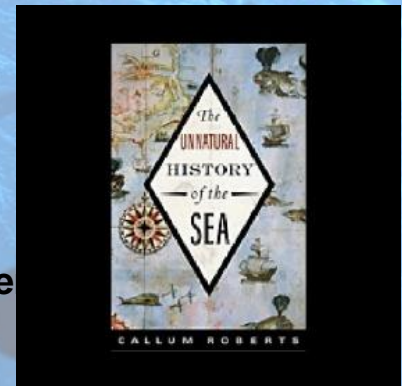
Conservation : marine- Law of the Sea, FAO Code of Conduct,

no-take zones, marine protected areas, coral reefs

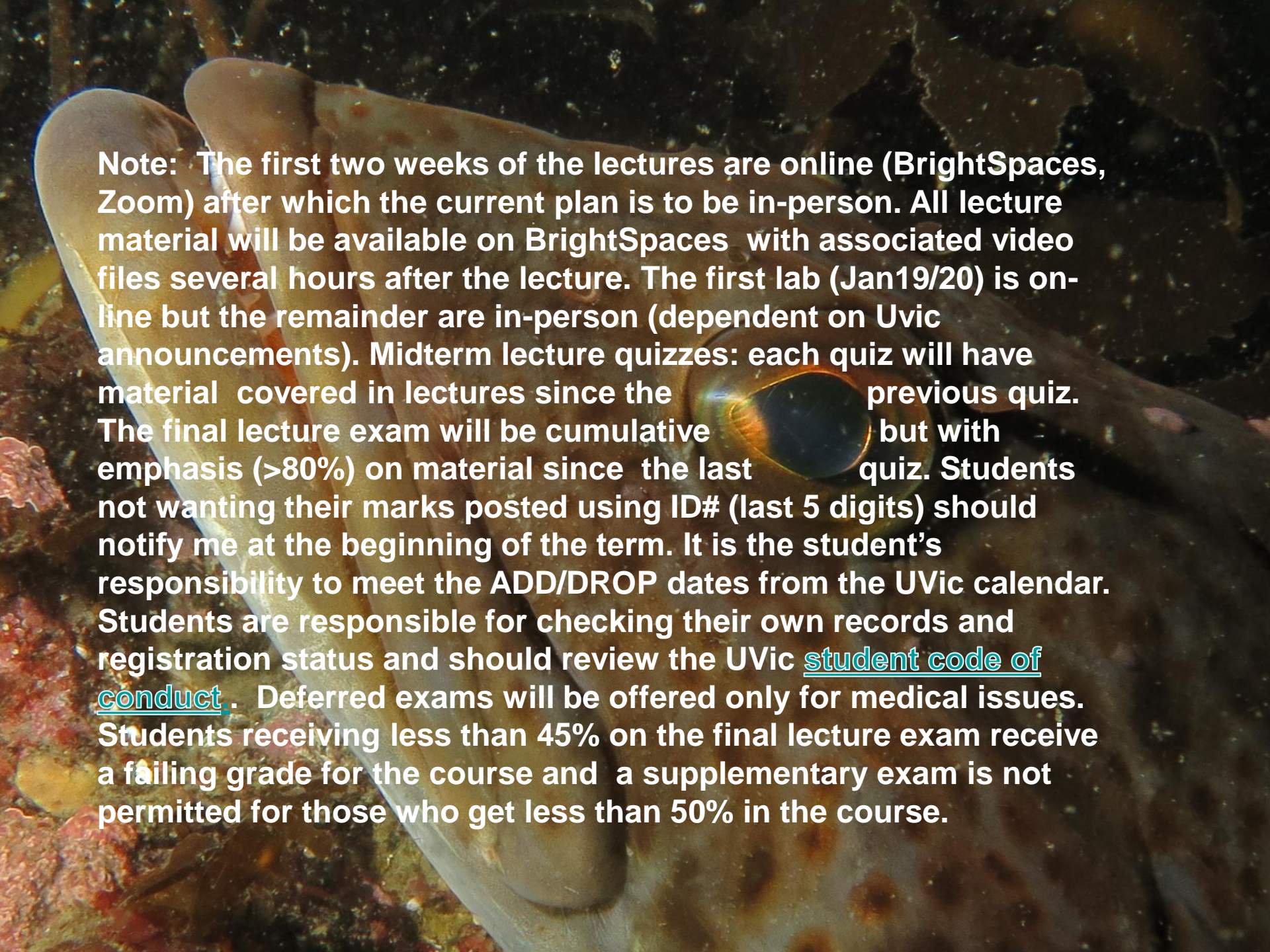
Conservation : freshwater - habitat degradation, invasive species

The future??

- **Course reading material: Abstracts from primary literature**
- **Text Books (Optional) : Fishes: An introduction to Ichthyology**
- **Authors: Moyle and Cech, 2004. - second hand copies will do**
- **Texts in Reserve Reading Room (McPherson Library):**
- **Helfman, Collette and Facey, 1997, The diversity of fishes**
- **Moyle and Cech; Fishes: An Introduction to Ichthyology**
- **Thought-provoking reading:**
- **C. Roberts- The Unnatural History of the Sea**
- **R. Ellis 2003 -The Empty Ocean:**
- **C. Safina 1998 -Song for the Blue Ocean**
- **M. Harris 1998- Lament for an Ocean**
- **A. Mitchell 2009 - Sea Sick**
- **Suggested viewing: Blue Planet2 , Planet Earth, Seaspiracy, Sharkwater**



- **MARKS**
- **Lecture exams**
- **Midterm Quiz#1 (Fri, Feb 4) (multiple choice and/or short answers) 10%**
- **Midterm Quiz#2 (Fri, Mar 11) (multiple choice and/or short answers) 15%**
- **Final (TBA) (multi-choice, short essays) 30%**
- **Laboratory 45%**



Note: The first two weeks of the lectures are online (BrightSpaces, Zoom) after which the current plan is to be in-person. All lecture material will be available on BrightSpaces with associated video files several hours after the lecture. The first lab (Jan19/20) is online but the remainder are in-person (dependent on Uvic announcements). Midterm lecture quizzes: each quiz will have material covered in lectures since the previous quiz. The final lecture exam will be cumulative but with emphasis (>80%) on material since the last quiz. Students not wanting their marks posted using ID# (last 5 digits) should notify me at the beginning of the term. It is the student's responsibility to meet the ADD/DROP dates from the UVic calendar. Students are responsible for checking their own records and registration status and should review the UVic [student code of conduct](#). Deferred exams will be offered only for medical issues. Students receiving less than 45% on the final lecture exam receive a failing grade for the course and a supplementary exam is not permitted for those who get less than 50% in the course.

Biology 335- Lab Schedule- Spring 2022

Lab #	Date	Content
1	January 19/20	Introductory lab (online)
2	January 26/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Fish anatomy and measurements Identification 1: Agnathans, Placoderms, and Chondrichthyes Ecological Techniques 1
3	February 2/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Functional Morphology Identification 2: Sturgeons to Herrings Ecological Techniques 2
4	February 9/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Exercise: Measurement bias Part 1 Identification 3: Minnows, Salmon, and Trout-Perches Ecological Techniques 3
5	February 16/17	Lab Midterm Quiz: Ecological Techniques (1-3) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Measurement bias Part 2 Identification 4: Flying fish, Sticklebacks Ecological Techniques 4
	February 23/24	READING BREAK – NO LABS
6	March 02/03	Lab Midterm Exercise/ Identification Exam
7	March 09/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Hydrodynamics Identification 5: Rockfish, Wolf-eels Ecological Techniques 5
8	March 16/17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Freshwater fishes and open-source fish data Identification 6: Sandlances, Surgeonfishes Ecological Techniques 6
9	March 23/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Marine fishes and global data sets Identification 7: Fighting fish, Flatfishes, Triggerfishes, Sunfish Ecological Techniques 7
10	March 30/31	Lab Final Quiz: Ecological Techniques (4-7) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise: Emerging Techniques in Ichthyology Identification Review
11	April 6/7	Lab Final Exercise/ Identification Exam



Lab Mark Breakdown

Your lab mark is 45% of your final course grade and is divided as follows:

Component	Mark
Lab Participation You will participate in lab exercises and will receive marks for doing so. Your TA will outline what is expected during lab.	7%
Midterm exam: Ecological Techniques – written exam	6%
Midterm Exercises / Identification Exam: Fish identification + questions	11%
Final exam: Ecological Techniques – written exam	8%
Final Exercises / Identification Exam: Fish identification + questions	13%
Total	45%

NOTE:

The ecological techniques final exam is not cumulative.

The Final Exercises and Photos final exam is cumulative; however, **the majority** of the exam will be based on material presented after the midterm.