### BIOL 461/561: Fisheries Ecology and Management Lecture: Mon-Thurs 2:30-3:50— ECS 130 Tutorial: Thurs 4:00-4:50— ECS 130) Grad student tutorial: Mon 4:00-4:50— ECS 130 FALL 2022 (CRN: 10442/3, 10457/8)

**Objectives:** To examine the principles of fisheries science from the basic biology of individuals to dynamic processes of populations, whole fisheries, and how mathematical models are derived to predict changes in fisheries for management purposes.

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Texts: Required: Jennings, S., M.J. Kaiser, and J.D. Reynolds. 2001. Marine Fisheries Ecology. Blackwell Science Ltd. Oxford, UK. 417pp. Now available as an ebook in the library
Recommended: King, M. 2007. Fisheries Biology, Assessment, and Management. Blackwell Science Ltd. (any edition); Gotelli, NJ. A primer of Ecology, Sinauer (any edition),

3 Exams	each exam 10% of grade
Exercises	30%
Paper	20%
Presentation	10%
Peer review	5%
Attendance/Participati	on 5%
	Exercises Paper Presentation Peer review

**Grading Policy:** You are expected to attend all lecture and tutorial sessions. Lectures will not be recorded. All homework exercises (including reading presentations) must be handed in by 2:30 pm on the due date. Late assignments will incur a 20% penalty during the first 7 days past the due date. No assignments will be accepted more than 7 days past the due date.

**Exams:** Exams will be held during class time. Any makeup exams will be ORAL exams honoured only with the accompaniment of a medical/personal emergency excuse.

Academic honesty Students will be expected to adhere to the UVic *Policy on Academic Integrity* standards (<u>http://web.uvic.ca/calendar2012/FACS/UnIn/UARe/PoAcI.html</u>). You may discuss how to solve homework assignments together, but are expected to compute and write your results separately.

**Paper:** A brief summary of the fisheries biology and management of a (marine) species of your choice. A handout outlining appropriate literature and paper format will be distributed in class. For library research help, see our course library guide, http://libguides.uvic.ca/FisheriesEcology

Species choice and 5 references: Due October 16 Final: Due November 16 Length: 5-7 pages (Double-spaced, 12 point font, 1 inch margins)

**Presentations:** Students will deliver a live oral presentation on species papers during the last daof of classes (December 6) or the study break (December 5-6). Graduate students will lead book review and present oral and written summaries of assigned chapters, and work on a data project.

**Grading scale** (GPA): A+=90-100 (9); A=85-89 (8); A=80-84 (7); B+=77-79 (6); B=73-76 (5); B=70-72 (4); C+=65-69 (3); C=60-64 (2); D=50-59 (1); F=<50 (0)

# **Course Outline**

#### Part 1. Introduction

Basic definitions

- Marine Fisheries Management: Current Issues Objectives and goals Marine ecology and production Fishery Resources Fishing Gear and Methods History of Fisheries Aquaculture production Fisheries today: wild vs aquaculture Global Canada
- Chapter 1, 17 Chapter 2 Chapter 3 Chapter 5

# EXAM 1--OCTOBER 12

Species choice and references due OCTOBER 16

#### Part 2. Population dynamics

Chapters 4, 9

Age and Growth Density-independent mortality Density-dependent mortality Reproduction Recruitment Stock-recruitment models Age-structured models

# EXAM 2--NOVEMBER 6

Part 3. Fishery processes

Chapters 7, 8

Surplus production models Dynamic Pool models Cohort models (Virtual Population analysis) Management tactics and strategies Socio- and Bio-economic models Chapters 6, 11 Conservation issues Chapters 13-16

Papers due on **NOVEMBER 16** Oral Presentations due on **DECEMBER 2** Peer reviews due on **DECEMBER 11** 

# EXAM 3—NOVEMBER 30

Part 4. Student presentations (a mini-symposium on Dec 4, or during reading period)

**NOTE,** Monday October 2 and 9, and Thursday November 13 are all holidays.