

Syllabus for BCM 720

Human Dimensions of Conservation

NOTE: This syllabus document contains the basic information of this course. The most current syllabus is available in the full course.

Course Description

Principles and application of conservation relating to complexities of the human relationship with nature. Investigate and integrate social science into management, understand treaties, laws and policies, realize economic and recreational aspects, and consider ethics and advocacy. Enhance cultural competency and build capabilities for communicating and engaging with diverse audiences.

Prerequisite(s)

None.

Course Outcomes

Upon completing this course, you will be able to do the following:

- Determine and evaluate the factors that can affect how different communities view and value biodiversity and conservation efforts.
- Understand the social science methods used to gather relevant community data.
- Know how to determine the relevant legal considerations, including that of tribal entities, that govern conservation practices.
- Be able to argue conservation priorities in a way that is tailored to the cultural context of one's audience.

Course Requirements/Components

- Discussions
- Papers
- Proposal and engagement plan
- Communication plan
- Fact sheet and lightning talk

Grading

The following grading scale will be used to evaluate all course requirements and to determine your final grade:

Grade	Percentage Range
A	93% - 100%
AB	90% - 92%
B	83% - 89%
BC	80% - 82%
C	73% - 79%
CD	70% - 72%
D	60% - 69%
F	0 - 59%

Assignment	Points
Discussions: 4 @ 5 points	20
Papers: 2 @ 10 points, 3 @ 20 points	80
Proposal and engagement plan	30
Communication plan	20
Fact sheet and lightning talk	40
Total Points	190