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Required text: Evert and Eichhorn. *Raven Biology of Plants* (8th Edition)

Course materials: http://moodle.hendrix.edu

Course communication: Check your Hendrix email daily.

			Tuesday:	
			Pre-Lecture Quiz	
Dates	Week	Lecture Topics	Text Chapters:	Thursday
8/21, 8/23	1	Introduction; Plant Cells	1; 3	[read by 8/23; pre-lec quiz by 8/28]
8/28, 8/30	2	Photosynthesis; Sex	7; 8	exam #1 (Ch. 1, 3)
9/4, 9/6	3	Evolution; Systematics	11; 12	1_Vorontsova2010_Solanum
9/11, 9/13	4	Cyanobacteria; Algae	13; 15	exam #2 (Ch. 7, 8, 11, 12)
9/18, 9/20	5	Fungi; Bryophytes	14; 16	2_Poli2003_Auxin Bryophytes
9/25, 9/27	6	Seedless Vascular	17	exam #3 (Ch. 13, 14, 15, 16)
10/2, 10/4	7	Gymnosperms; Angiosperms	18; 19	3_ Hodge2001_Mycorrhizae
10/9	8	Angiosperms cont.; Fall Break	20	
10/16, 10/18	9	Early Development	22	exam #4 (Ch. 17, 18, 19, 20)
10/23, 10/25	10	Cells/Tissues	23	4_Benkman2001_Crossbills
10/30, 11/1	11	Roots; Shoots	24; 25	exam #5 (Ch. 22, 23)
11/6, 11/8	12	Secondary Growth; Hormones	26; 27	5_Gaskett2008_Orchid Sex
11/13, 11/15	13	Ext. Factors; Nutrition	28; 29	exam #6 (Ch. 24, 25, 26, 27)
11/20	14	Water; T-Day	30	
11/27, 11/29	15	Biotech; Plants/People	10; 21	6_Chanderbali2010_Flowers

Lecture Final: Wednesday, Dec 5, 8:30-11:30 AM - Ch. 28, 29, 30, 10, 21 + comprehensive exams #1 - #6.

Learning Goals:

- 1. Learn cellular, anatomical, morphological, and physiological processes of plants, including photosynthesis, meristems, primary and secondary growth, transpiration, sugar transport and storage, and the effects of hormones and external factors on plant growth.
- 2. Understand basic life cycles and modes of reproduction for representative algae, bryophytes, ferns, gymnosperms, and angiosperms and how these relate to the evolution of land plants.
- 3. Learn the basic system of plant nomenclature, classification, and phylogenetic arrangement, and understand the evolutionary history of plants in broad terms.
- 4. Gain skills in reading and citing primary science journal articles.

Prerequisite Material:

Because BIOL 150 is a prerequisite, students are expected to be familiar with the material in chapters:

2 - The Molecular Composition of Plant Cells; **5** - The Flow of Energy; **6** – Respiration; and **9** - The Chemistry of Heredity and Gene Expression.

Pre-Lecture Quizzes:

Preparation is essential for this class by reading assignments <u>prior</u> to lectures. This course uses online quizzes in Moodle. Because the format is take-home, you are allowed and encouraged to refer back to your text if you are unsure of any answer. You **may retake** each chapter quiz as many times as needed. For credit, you must complete the online quizzes for each week's assigned chapters <u>by 9:30 AM</u> every Tuesday.

Literature Assignments:

To develop your understanding of how scientific research is published, we will read 6 primary literature papers. An essay question relating to the 'big picture' ideas will be included on the exam.

Midterm Exams:

Six midterm exams and the cumulative final exam will be based on 1) all assigned text chapters; 2) all material presented in lecture; and 3) the 'big picture' from literature assignments. Midterm exams will be given during the **first 30 minutes of Thursday lectures** as shown above.

Lecture Grading (70% of total grade):

Midterm Exams (6 @ 50)	300
Pre-Lecture Quizzes (15 weeks @ 10)	150
Literature Assignments (6 @ 20)	120
Final Exam	<u>130</u>

Total Lecture Grade 700

Course Grading:

Total points	1000
Lab points	<u>300</u>
Lecture points	700

Grades will be based on the total number of points earned in the class:

90-100% = A 80-89% = B 70-79% = C 69-69% = D

No makeup examinations and no extra credit will be given. If you miss a midterm examination for a legitimate reason (e.g., an illness documented by a note from a doctor), the weight of your final examination will be increased. Missing the lecture final examination will result in a zero for the final. Documentation of a legitimate reason for missing the final examination will be required to receive an "incomplete" for the course.

Attendance and Preparation:

This will be a challenging course that introduces a large amount of material that is likely to be unfamiliar to most students. Attendance of every lecture is crucial. Students missing **two or more** classes before the deadline to add a course **will be dropped**. Pursuant to the policies in the Hendrix Catalog, absences will be excused for observance of religious holidays, illness, emergency, and for sanctioned school functions. You must provide me with appropriate documentation for excused absences. Please notify me of any circumstances requiring absence from the class, preferably in advance of the absence. Further, **late arrivals** are disruptive to the class. **Students who arrive late more than four times may be dropped from this course.**

Academic Integrity:

Students in this class will be expected to uphold high standards of honesty and fairness in academic pursuits. Please review the Hendrix Catalog regarding academic integrity. During examinations, each student is responsible for insuring that other students do not see his or her answers. **Passive cooperation** will be considered academic dishonesty. **All** instances of alleged academic dishonesty (plagiarism, cheating, stealing, collusion, or passive cooperation) in this class **will be reported** to the Committee on Academic Integrity.

Students with Disabilities:

"It is the policy of Hendrix College to accommodate students with disabilities, pursuant to federal and state law. Any student who needs accommodation in relation to a recognized disability should inform the instructor at the beginning of the course. In order to receive accommodations, students with disabilities are directed to contact Julie Brown in Academic Support Services at 505-2954 or brownj@hendrix.edu."

Conduct in Class:

- --> Phones are <u>not</u> allowed on desks during lecture or during exams.
- --> Text messaging, including reading incoming messages, is strictly prohibited during lectures and labs!
- --> A student who is asked to leave for disrupting the class may be dropped from the class.

Required texts: Evert, Eichhorn, and Perry 2005. *Laboratory Topics in Botany* (8th Edition)

→ Bring your **text**, as well as your **lab manual** to every lab.

Lab

Date	Lab#	Topic(s) in lab manual; other activities and deadlines	
August			
22	#1	Orientation; Safety; 1 Microscope review; plant Brassica rapa seeds	
29	#2	Start Ceratopteris; 2 Statistics; 3 Vascular Plant Body	
<u>September</u>			
5	#3	Campus Arboretum Walk; Keying	
12	#4	11, 13, and 14 "Algae"	
19	#5	12 Fungi	
26	#6	15 Bryophytes; 16 Seedless Plants	
October			
3	\rightarrow	Lab Exam #1; turn in notebook for labs #1 - #6 for grading	
10	#7	17 Gymnosperms; 18 Flowers (yes; we have lab Wednesday of fall break week)	
17	#8	19 Fruits; 20 Seeds	
24	#9	22 Roots; 23 Stems	
31	#10	24 Leaves; Herbarium tour; Plant Pressing	
<u>November</u>			
7	#11	21 Cells and Tissues	
14	#12	25 and 26 Wood; Experiment Write-Up Due	
21		Thanksgiving	
28	\rightarrow	Lab Exam #2; turn in notebook for labs #7 - #12 for grading	

Learning Goals for Laboratory:

- 1. Associate terminology and function with plant morphological and anatomical characteristics.
- 2. Learn cellular, anatomical, and physiological processes of plants, including photosynthesis, meristems, primary and secondary growth, transpiration, sugar transport, and storage.
- 3. Understand basic life cycles and modes of reproduction for representative protists, bryophytes, ferns, gymnosperms, and angiosperms.
- 4. Learn the basic system of plant nomenclature, classification, and phylogenetic arrangement, and understand the evolutionary history of plants.
- 5. Learn how to use a dichotomous key to identify an unknown taxon.
- 6. Recognize protists, bryophytes, and major vascular plant families, including an appreciation of the local flora and the role of herbaria.
- 7. Gain skills in conducting an experiment, analyzing data, and writing the Methods and Results sections of a laboratory report.

Lab Grading (30% of the total grade)

Total Lab Points	300
Experiment Write-Up:	<u>85</u>
12 Lab Notebooks @ 5	60
11 Pre-lab Quizzes @ 5	55
2 Lab Exams @ 50	100

<u>Pre-Lab Quizzes</u> must be completed on Moodle before lab time for labs #2 - #12.

Lab Notebook: Use a 3-ring binder appropriately sized for the loose-leaf lab manual. Please put your name on the outside of the binder. During lab, write answers for the assigned questions in your Notebook. You are welcome to check these answers with the instructor or the LA so that your notebook serves as a valuable study aide. Insert extra pages for handouts and other assignments. Turn in this Notebook at each of the two lab exams. Separate instructions will be provided for the **Lab Write-up** of the experiment.

You are expected to <u>arrive</u> in lab <u>prepared</u> for the exercise or experiment:

- 1) Read the lab topic(s).
- 2) Read the text suggested in 'Student Preparation' section of each lab topic.
- 3) Take the Pre-Lab Quiz.