



**Discussion Assignments (DA).** C r qt v qp qh v k u eruu k u õ h k r g f ö, y j k e j o g c p u u w f g p u y k n i c v j g t information outside of class to share with the rest of the class during the lecture period. Most assignments will be submitted to Blazeview by 9am the day of the discussion as a powerpoint document. These powerpoints will be merged and a selection of students will present their work to the class on the day it is due. Come to class prepared to present on these days! Grades will be based on completion and accuracy of the assignment and presentation, not presentation skills. DA grade = (total # points earned / total # of possible points) x 100

**Macrofungi Collection.** The class will work together to collect, identify, and voucher 150 unique sporocarps (sample species, different locations acceptable)

## **Policies, & procedures**

Attendance ó Students must sign in at the beginning of each class to be considered present. Attendance is taken into account in the participation grade. Refer to the rubric above.

Participation expectations - Each student is expected to do her/his best work in this class and to provide his/her full attention to the material during instruction. Tardiness, leaving class early, sleeping in class, using a cell phone, & being off-task are examples of conduct that would fail to meet expectations. Refer to the rubric above.

Lecture Notes ó Students are expected to take handwritten notes during lecture; electronic aides are only allowed with prior approval. Please bring all BIOL3530/5530 lecture notes to each lecture and lab, as you may be asked to refer to them. Most lectures will be video recorded. If you miss any notes or are absent, please refer to the recording. When there are recording errors, completed powerpoints will be uploaded to Blazeview.

Access to the Lab ó We have the lab all to ourselves. Students may use the lab anytime the building is open. An access code will be provided in lab.

Food & Drink in Lecture and Lab ó No food or drink is allowed in the laboratory. My policy in lecture is more lenient - you may consume food or drink as long as their use does not cause a disturbance. Each student is responsible to clean up after him or herself.

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## Tentative Schedule

Week

Lecture Topics

October 8-12	<i>Fall Break, No class Monday</i> Introduction to Basidiomycete Taxonomy & Systematics (past & present) Cladogram production - Friesian system		DNA extraction and PCR
October 15-19	Review of DNA and genes DNA Technologies (PCR & sequencing) Informative DNA regions for fungal systematics		Run gel with PCR products
October 22-26	Current Basidiomycete Classification - Orders & families W-F - Discussion Assignments	(W-DA) - Classification of chanterelle and gilled mushrooms (F-DA) - Classification of Boletes & Polypores	Vouchering
Oct 29- Nov 2	M-W Discussion Assignemnts Fri- Summarize/Review/catch-up	(M-DA) - Classification of Gasteroids, Clubs, & Corals (W-DA) - Classification of Toothed, jellies, resupinates, stereoids, & cephaloids	Field Collection/Process specimens
Nov 5-9	<b>Exam 3 (Nov 5)</b> Introduction to Relevant Ascomycete Taxonomy & Systematics (past) Introduction to Relevant Ascomycete Taxonomy & Systematics (present)		Field Collection/Process specimens

Nov  
12-16 M-W Discussion Assignments  
DNA Sequence384 ref7m 464.62 3ET