

Grade Determination:

| Assessment | Points | <u>Grading Scale:</u> |
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| Participation in Lab and Lecture | 30 | |
| Major Lab assignments: Beta Fish Project Paper (75), End of Semester Project poster ppt file (75), Poster peer review (20), Poster presentation (20) | 190 | ≥ 900 pts, A 800-899, B |
| Discussion ppt/preparation (30), Discussion Presentation (30) | 60 | 700-799, C |
| Exam 1,2,3,4 (150pts each) | 600 | 600-699, D |
| Laboratory Homework Assignments | 120 | <600 pts, F |
| Total Points | 1000 | |

Participation: Points for participation will be given based on your preparedness and your contribution to the lecture, lab activities and paper discussions. This includes participating in the lecture discussions and also your level of helping to collect the data and work as a team member during the lab assignments. I will be taking attendance for all of our class meetings and points will be deducted for students who are

Course Policies:

Non-Discrimination and Title IX Statement

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sex/gender. The designated Title IX Coordinator for VSU is Ms. Selenseia Holmes. To view the full policy or to report an incident visit:

Additional Academic Support

The Academic Support Center (ASC) provides unlimited, in-person, free peer tutoring in core courses such as math, English/writing, sciences, social sciences, and languages. We also offer 8 hours of free online tutoring via Tutor.com (8 hours per student, available 24/7). Click the Free Tutoring link in any Blazeview course to make appointments. Please drop by our space in Odum Library, 2nd floor, or call 229-333-7570, email asc@valdosta.edu, or visit the website www.valdosta.edu/asc for more information. We will have a PAL for the course that will offer biweekly sessions for extra help with the course material. The meeting times will be voted on by

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Animal Behavior course (BIOL 4650/6650)

Note: The professor reserves the right to make changes to this syllabus as necessary.

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| | <u>Tuesday 1/9</u> | | <u>Thursday 1/11</u> |
| Week 1 | -Introductions & Syllabus | -Finish Chapter sday 1/ | |
| | - Chapter 1: The Science of | | |
| | Animal Behavior | | |

SPRING BREAK 3/11 - 3/15

Week 10

Tuesday 3/19

-Chapter 9: Antipredator
Behavior

-Discussion 4cussion

Thursday 3/21