

# Syllabus for Mushrooms of the N Coast

#### **Course Information**

Semester & Year: Fall 2021

Course ID & Section #: BIOL-21-D2251 Instructor's name: Laura Morgan

Day/Time of required meetings: Lectures 100% online, labs Saturday 10:05 am - 1:15 pm

Location: TBD Course units: 3

### **Instructor Contact Information**

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### **Catalog Description**

The study of the identification and ecology of fungi. Emphasis placed on understanding ecological roles, keying species to genus and on field identification of the more common edible and toxic species of the North Coast. Note: Field trips are required and transportation is not provided.

### **Course Student Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Identify common species of mushrooms on sight and use a dichotomous key to identify rare or unknown species.
- 2. Analyze the different ecological roles of fungi and fungus-like organisms in various habitats and environments.
- 3. Construct a phylogeny for major taxonomic groups in Kingdom Fungi and other fungus-like organisms using morphological features, life history traits, and/or genetic sequences.

## Prerequisites/corequisites/recommended preparation

Recommended: BIOL1 - General Biology

Previous experience reading cladograms and/or dichotomous keys will be very helpful for students in this course. Some understanding of the process of evolution, community ecology, and genetics would also be helpful.

### **Accessibility**

College of the Redwoods is committed to making reasonable accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. If you have a disability or believe you might benefit from disability-related services and accommodations, please contact your instructor or <u>Disability Services and Programs for Students</u> (DSPS). Students may make requests for alternative media by contacting DSPS based on their campus location:

- Eureka: 707-476-4280, student services building, 1<sup>st</sup> floor
- Del Norte: 707-465-2324, main building near library
- Klamath-Trinity: 530-625-4821 Ext 103

If you are taking online classes DSPS will email approved accommodations for distance education classes to your instructor. In the case of face-to-face instruction, please present your written accommodation request to your instructor at least one week before the needed accommodation so that necessary arrangements can be made. Last minute arrangements or post-test adjustments usually cannot be accommodated.

### **Student Support**

Good information and clear communication about your needs will help you be successful. Please let your instructor know about any specific challenges or technology limitations that might affect your participation in class. College of the Redwoods wants every student to be successful.

### **Evaluation & Grading Policy**

[Should include info such as final grade calculations, rubrics, late assignment policy, and other grading practices]

### Admissions deadlines & enrollment policies

Fall 2021 Dates

- Classes begin: 8/21/21
- Last day to add a class: 8/27/21
- Last day to drop without a W and receive a refund: 9/03/21
- Labor Day Holiday (all campuses closed): 09/06/21
- Census date: 9/07/21 or 20% into class duration
- Last day to petition to graduate or apply for certificate: 10/28/21
- Last day for student-initiated W (no refund): 10/29/21
- Last day for faculty-initiated W (no refund): 10/29/21
- Veteran's Day (all campuses closed): 11/11/21
- Fall Break (no classes): 11/22/21 11/26/21
- Thanksgiving Holiday (all campuses closed): 11/24/21 11/26/21
- Final examinations: 12/11/21 12/17/21
- Last day to petition to file P/NP option: 12/17/21
- Semester ends: 12/17/21
- Grades available for transcript release: approximately 01/07/22

## **Academic dishonesty**

In the academic community, the high value placed on truth implies a corresponding intolerance of scholastic dishonesty. In cases involving academic dishonesty, determination of the grade and of the student's status in the course is left primarily to the discretion of the faculty member. In such cases, where the instructor determines that a student has demonstrated academic dishonesty, the student may receive a failing grade for the assignment and/or exam and may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct (AP 5500) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the College Catalog and on the College of the Redwoods website.

### **Disruptive behavior**

Student behavior or speech that disrupts the instructional setting will not be tolerated. Disruptive conduct may include, but is not limited to: unwarranted interruptions; failure to adhere to instructor's directions; vulgar or obscene language; slurs or other forms of intimidation; and physically or verbally abusive behavior. In such cases where the instructor determines that a student has disrupted the educational process, a disruptive student may be temporarily removed from class. In addition, the student may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct (AP 5500) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the College Catalog and on the College of the Redwoods website.

### **Inclusive Language in the Classroom**

College of the Redwoods aspires to create a learning environment in which all people feel comfortable in contributing their perspectives to classroom discussions. It therefore encourages instructors and students to use language that is inclusive and respectful.

### **Setting Your Preferred Name in Canvas**

Students have the ability to have an alternate first name and pronouns to appear in Canvas. Contact Admissions & Records to request a change to your preferred first name and pronoun. Your Preferred Name will only be listed in Canvas. This does not change your legal name in our records. See the Student Information Update form.

#### **Canvas Information**

If using Canvas, include navigation instructions, tech support information, what Canvas is used for, and your expectation for how regularly students should check Canvas for your class.

Log into Canvas at https://redwoods.instructure.com

Password is your 8 digit birth date

For tech help, email its@redwoods.edu or call 707-476-4160

Canvas Help for students: https://www.redwoods.edu/online/Help-Student

Canvas online orientation workshop:

https://www.redwoods.edu/online/Home/Student-Resources/Canvas-Resources

### **Community College Student Health and Wellness**

Resources, tools, and trainings regarding health, mental health, wellness, basic needs and more designed for California community college students, faculty and staff are available on the California Community Colleges <a href="Health & Wellness website">Health & Wellness website</a>.

<u>Wellness Central</u> is a free online health and wellness resource that is available 24/7 in your space at your pace.

Students seeking to request a counseling appointment for academic advising or general counseling can email <a href="mailto:counseling@redwoods.edu">counseling@redwoods.edu</a>.

# **Emergency procedures / Everbridge**

College of the Redwoods has implemented an emergency alert system called Everbridge. In the event of an emergency on campus you will receive an alert through your personal email and/or phones. Registration is not necessary in order to receive emergency alerts. Check to make sure your contact information is up-to-date by logging into WebAdvisor <a href="https://webadvisor.redwoods.edu">https://webadvisor.redwoods.edu</a> and selecting 'Students' then 'Academic Profile' then 'Current Information Update.'

Please contact Public Safety at 707-476-4112 or <u>security@redwoods.edu</u> if you have any questions. For more information see the Redwoods Public Safety Page.

In an emergency that requires an evacuation of the building anywhere in the District:

- Be aware of all marked exits from your area and building
- Once outside, move to the nearest evacuation point outside your building
- Keep streets and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel

Do not leave campus, unless it has been deemed safe by the campus authorities.

### **Del Norte Campus Emergency Procedures**

Please review the <u>Crescent City campus emergency map</u> for campus evacuation sites, including the closest site to this classroom (posted by the exit of each room). For more information, see the <u>Redwoods Public Safety Page</u>.

### **Student Support Services**

The following online resources are available to support your success as a student:

- <u>CR-Online</u> (Comprehensive information for online students)
- Library Articles & Databases
- Canvas help and tutorials
- Online Student Handbook

<u>Counseling</u> offers assistance to students in need of professional counseling services such as crisis counseling.

Learning Resource Center includes the following resources for students

- Academic Support Center for instructional support, tutoring, learning resources, and proctored exams. Includes the Math Lab & Drop-in Writing Center
- <u>Library Services</u> to promote information literacy and provide organized information resources.
- Multicultural & Diversity Center

Special programs are also available for eligible students include

- <u>Extended Opportunity Programs & Services (EOPS)</u> provides services to eligible income
  disadvantaged students including: textbook award, career academic and personal
  counseling, school supplies, transportation assistance, tutoring, laptop, calculator and
  textbook loans, priority registration, graduation cap and gown, workshops, and more!
- The TRiO Student Success Program provides eligible students with a variety of services including trips to 4-year universities, career assessments, and peer mentoring. Students can apply for the program in <a href="Eureka">Eureka</a> or in <a href="Del Norte">Del Norte</a>

- The <u>Veteran's Resource Center</u> supports and facilitates academic success for Active Duty Military, Veterans and Dependents attending CR through relational advising, mentorship, transitional assistance, and coordination of military and Veteran-specific resources.
- Klamath-Trinity students can contact the CR KT Office for specific information about student support services at 530-625-4821