

# Syllabus for FNR-88 Trail Building & Maintenance

#### **Course Information**

Semester & Year: Spring 2023

Course ID & Section #: FNR-88-E5125 Instructor's name: Dennis Houghton

Day/Time of required meetings: Friday/9:05am-1:15pm

Location: AT 127 Course units: 2 units

### **Instructor Contact Information**

Office location: Online

Office hours: By appointment Phone number: 707-601-4714 (cell)

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### **Catalog Description**

An introduction to the principles of sustainable trails that touches on each aspect of trail maintenance to assess trail needs, prescribe maintenance solutions, and execute basic trail maintenance. This course provides the broad overview of the different types of trails, surfaces, locations, user types, difficulty levels, and experiences. Students will understand the general goals of trail design principles. No prior experience in trail building is needed. Includes coordinated lab experience.

# **Course Student Learning Outcomes (from course outline of record)**

- 1. Apply knowledge of trail construction and maintenance to make informed decisions about their personal lives, career or educational choices, and the communities in which they live.
- 2. Acquire, articulate, create and convey knowledge and understanding on the subject of trail construction and maintenance using a variety of methods of communication.
- 3. Identify and examine field examples of concepts explored in coursework and their implications for the study of trail construction and maintenance.

# Prerequisites/co-requisites/ recommended preparation

None

### **Textbooks**

Required Books: Natural Surface Trails by Design by Troy Scott Parker ISBN: 0-9755872-0-X

CA State Parks Trails Handbook https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page\_id=29674

#### **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, 1st 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**

Evaluation for this course is based on your performance of the following assignments:

Attendance and Active Participation (10) – 25 point per week = 250 points

Weekly Reflection writeup (10) – 25 points per week = 250 points

#### **Total Points = 500 points**

Grades will be posted to Canvas in a timely manner after an assignment is completed.

Semester grades will be based on the percentage of the total possible points earned over the semester. Letter grades will be broken down as follows:

90-100% = A

80-89% = B

70-79% = C

60-69% = D

Below 60% = F

#### **Active Participation:**

Assessment of trail building terminology, principles and construction techniques will be conducted informally in the field during the lab period.

Missed class periods can be made up by participating in a volunteer workday sponsored by the Humboldt Trails Stewards. **Contact your instructor for more information**.

#### Weekly Reflection assignments:

Each week you are responsible for completing a Weekly reflection by following the Weekly reflection template on Canvas. Write-ups can be uploaded to Canvas and are **due the following Tuesday at 11:59pm**. **No late assignments will be accepted, and you will receive zero points for that week.** These Weekly reflections give you a chance to reflect on your experience and demonstrate what you have gained by participating in the learning activity. Each Weekly reflection is worth 25 points and is graded based on the following rubric:

Criteria	Meets Expectation	Needs Improvement	Does Not Meet Expectations
Content	20 points	15 points	10 points
20 points	Clearly and thoughtfully responds to the lec/lab prompts with sufficient detail and explanation.	Responds to the lec/lab prompts but responses lack adequate detail and/or clear explanations.	Responses do not adequately address the prompt. Responses severely lack detail and explanation.
Timeliness	5 points		
5 points	Assignment was turned in by the required due date (Tuesday by 11:59pm).		

# Admissions deadlines & enrollment policies

Spring 2023 Dates

• Classes begin: 01/14/23

Martin Luther King's Birthday (all campuses closed): 01/16/23

Last day to add a class: 01/20/23

• Last day to drop without a W and receive a refund: 01/27/23

Census date: 01/30/23 or 20% into class duration
Last day to petition to file P/NP option: 02/10/23

• Lincoln's Birthday (all campuses closed): 02/17/23

• President's Day (all campuses closed): 02/20/23

Last day to petition to graduate or apply for certificate: 03/02/23

• Spring Break (no classes): 03/13/23 – 03/18/23

• Last day for student-initiated W (no refund): 03/31/23

• Last day for faculty-initiated W (no refund): 03/31/23

• Final examinations: 05/06/23 – 05/12/23

• *Commencement: 05/15/23* 

- Semester ends: 05/12/23
- Grades available for transcript release: approximately 05/26/23

# **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**

#### **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 My CR Portal

For help logging in to Canvas, visit My CR Portal.

For help with Canvas once you're logged in, click on the Help icon on the left menu.

For tech help, email <u>its@redwoods.edu</u> or call 707-476-4160 Canvas online orientation workshop: <u>Canvas Student Orientation Course (instructure.com)</u>

### **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 Health & Wellness website.

<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 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 <u>Redwoods Public Safety Page</u>.

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 Redwoods Public Safety Page.

# **Eureka Campus Emergency Procedures**

Please review the <u>campus emergency map</u> for evacuation sites, including the closest site to this classroom (posted by the exit of each room). For more information on Public Safety go to the <u>CR Police Department-Public Safety</u> It is the responsibility of College of the Redwoods to protect life and property from the effects of emergencies within its own jurisdiction.

In the event of an emergency:

- 1. Evaluate the impact the emergency has on your activity/operation and take appropriate action.
- 2. Dial 911, to notify local agency support such as law enforcement or fire services.

- 3. Notify Public Safety 707-476-4111 and inform them of the situation, with as much relevant information as possible.
- 4. Public Safety shall relay threat information, warnings, and alerts through the Everbridge emergency alert system, Public address system, and when possible, updates on the college website, to ensure the school community is notified.
- 5. Follow established procedures for the specific emergency as outlined in the College of the Redwoods Emergency Procedure Booklet, (evacuation to a safe zone, shelter in place, lockdown, assist others if possible, cooperate with First Responders, etc.).
- 6. If safe to do so, notify key administrators, departments, and personnel.
- 7. Do not leave campus, unless it is necessary to preserve life and/or has been deemed safe by the person in command.

### **Klamath Trinity Campus Emergency Procedures**

Please review the responsibilities of, and procedures used by, the College of the Redwoods, Klamath-Trinity Instructional Site (KTIS) to communicate to faculty, staff, students and the general public during an emergency. It is the responsibility of College of the Redwoods, Klamath-Trinity Instructional Site (KTIS) to protect life and property from the effects of emergency situations within its own jurisdiction.

- 1. In the event of an emergency, communication shall be the responsibility of the district employees on scene.
  - a. Dial 911, to notify local agency support such as law enforcement or fire services.
  - b. If safe to do so, notify key administrators, departments, and personnel.
  - c. If safe to do so, personnel shall relay threat information, warnings, to ensure the school community is notified.
  - d. Contact 530-625-4821 to notify of situation.
  - e. Contact Hoopa Tribal Education Administration office 530-625-4413
  - f. Notify Public Safety 707-476-4111.
- 2. In the event of an emergency, the responsible district employee on scene will:
  - a. Follow established procedures for the specific emergency as outlined in the College of the Redwoods Emergency Procedure Booklet.
  - b. Lock all doors and turn off lights if in lockdown due to an active shooter or similar emergency.
  - c. Close all window curtains.
  - d. Get all inside to safe location Kitchen area is best internal location.
  - e. If a police officer or higher official arrives, they will assume command.
  - f. Wait until notice of all is clear before unlocking doors.
  - g. If safe to do so, move to the nearest evacuation point outside building (Pooky's Park), directly behind the Hoopa Tribal Education Building.
  - h. Do not leave site, unless it has been deemed safe by the person in command. Student Support Services (required for online classes)

# **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

Online Tutoring Resources

<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

- Library Services to promote information literacy and provide organized information resources.
- Multicultural & Diversity Center
- <u>Academic Support Center</u> offers tutoring and test proctoring for CR students.
- Student Tech Help provides students with assistance around a variety of tech problems.

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.
- <u>CalWORKS</u> assists student parents with children under the age of 18, who are receiving cash assistance (TANF), to become self-sufficient.
- Klamath-Trinity students can contact the CR KT Office for specific information about student support services at 530-625-4821

This syllabus may be subject to change due to extenuating circumstances