

California State Polytechnic University
Biological Sciences Department
ZOO 329/L Ornithology/Lab - Spring 2008

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Tentative Lecture Schedule

Week	Date	Topic	Reading (pages from <i>The Sibley Guide to Bird Life and Behavior</i>)
1	Apr 1	Introduction	Pages 8-11
	Apr 3	Evolution	Pages 39-50
2	Apr 8	Evolution	
	Apr 10	Evolution	
3	Apr 15	Evolution	
	Apr 17	Flight	Pages 15-24
4	Apr 22	Flight	
	Apr 24	Migration	Pages 59-65
5	Apr 29	Migration	
	May 1	Migration	
6	May 6	EXAM	
	May 8	Behavior	Pages 33-35; 51-59
7	May 13	Behavior	
	May 15	Reproductive Behavior	Pages 71-79
8	May 20	Reproductive Behavior	
	May 22	Communication	Pages 35; 66-71
9	May 27	Communication	
	May 29	Modern Birds / Biogeography	
10	June 3	Ecology	Pages 107-119
	June 5	Ecology	

FINAL EXAM: Thursday, June 12, 2008, 9:10 am -11:10 am

Tentative Laboratory Schedule

Week	Date	Topic	Materials Needed
1	Apr 1	Birds of the World Recent Topics: Ivory-billed Woodpecker Topography	Field Guide; Handout
2	Apr 8	Topography & Identification	Field Guide; Handout
3	Apr 15		
4	Apr 22		
5	Apr 29	LAB PRACTICAL 1	
6	May 6	Campus Bird Walk	Binoculars, Field Guide
7	May 13	Skeletal Anatomy & Identification	Field Guide; Handout
8	May 20		
9	May 27		
10	June 3	LAB PRACTICAL 2	

Field Trip Schedule (All dates are Saturdays. Trips last from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm)
Binoculars, Field Guide, and notebook are required on all field trips.
Students are responsible for all changes to these schedules which may be announced in class.

April 12 - Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve
April 26 - Morongo Valley
May 10 - Rancho Santa Ana Botanical Garden

Warning, Waiver and Release of Liability

In order to participate in the field trips, all students must sign the Warning, Waiver and Release of Liability form provided by Risk Management Services of California State Polytechnic University. A sample form is attached.