#### **BOTANY 62 Course Outline as of Summer 2011**

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: BOTANY 62 Title: COAST REDWOOD ECOL/MGT

Full Title: Coast Redwood Ecology and Management

Last Reviewed: 5/12/2008

Units		Course Hours per Week	]	Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	1.50	Lecture Scheduled	1.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	17.50
Minimum	1.50	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	1.25		Contact DHR	21.88
		Contact Total	2.25		Contact Total	39.38
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 35.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 74.38

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: BIO 71.9

#### **Catalog Description:**

Biology, ecology and management of Coast Redwood, including vegetation, wildlife and conservation of the Coast Redwood Forest Type. DHR hours include field trips.

# **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

### **Recommended Preparation:**

Eligibilty for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

Description: Biology, ecology and management of Coast Redwood, including vegetation,

wildlife and conservation of the Coast Redwood Forest Type. (Grade or P/NP)

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended: Eligibilty for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

Limits on Enrollment:

**Transfer Credit:** 

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

CID:

## **Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Major Applicable Course

## **COURSE CONTENT**

## **Outcomes and Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, through class meetings and field trips, the student will be able to:

- 1. Identify the major plant species within the redwood forest community.
- 2. Explain the major ecological factors which determine the distribution of coast redwood and relate this information to current ecological theory.
- 3. Develop and write a research paper (4-6 pages) concerning a selected ecological or management topic.
- 4. Identify the major wildlife species in Coast Redwood communities and their management objectives.
- 5. Demonstrate knowledge of historical uses of coast redwood.
- 6. Analyze and evaluate silvicultural systems of coast redwood across its geographical range.
- 7. Explain and evaluate the various laws and regulations governing harvesting and management of coast redwood.
- 8. Relate, compare, and contrast these ecological and management issues to similar issues in other intensively managed natural systems.
- 9. Differentiate among the major vegetation characteristics of various types of Coast Redwood communities.

# **Topics and Scope:**

- 1. Biological and ecological characteristics of coast redwood.
- 2. Taxonomy of major plant and animal species characteristic of redwood forests.
- 3. Ecology of redwood forest ecosystems.
- 4. Silviculture of redwood an historical perspective.
- 5. A history of conflict over management of redwood.
- 6. Even-age versus uneven-age management.
- 7. Impact of silvicultural systems on regeneration.
- 8. Tree improvement programs and the genetics of redwood.

- 9. Coast redwood as a future supplier of wood products.
- 10. Laws and regulation affecting management of coast redwood.

## **Assignment:**

- 1. Read assigned pages in text, approximately eighty pages per week.
- 2. Submit field trip reports for all class field trips.
- 3. Research paper.

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Research paper

Writing 40 - 60%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Field reports

Problem solving 10 - 30%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

None

Exams 0 - 0%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Participation and attendance.

Other Category 10 - 30%

# **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

THE REDWOOD FOREST: Noss, R.F. Island Press, 2000

COASTAL REDWOOD: Evarts and Popper (ed), Cachuma Press, 2001