Date	Lecture	Lecturer	Reading	Labs
28-Aug	Introduction: Why 102?	DAK	M&S 1	No labs
30-Aug	The Challenges: Human Population Growth	DAK	M&S 8, 9	Remind them to bring Ecobeaker to lab
4-Sep	Energy Conversion: Natural & Anthropogenic	DAK	M&S 2	No labs, Labor Day week
6-Sep	Race to Save the Planet 1	DAK	M&S 3	No labo, Eabor Bay Week
11-Sep	Biogeochemical Cycles	DAK	M&S 4	Lab 1. Ecobeaker: Isle Royale
13-Sep	Population dynamics, Ecosystem functions	DAK		Lab 1. Loopounor. Iolo 1 toyalo
18-Sep	Evolution: Origins of Life & Inheritance	DAK	T 20	Lab 2. Ecobeaker: Sickle Cell Alleles
20-Sep	Evolution: Origins & Darwinian Principles	DAK	T17	
25-Sep	Evolution: Hardy Weinberg, Optimal Design	DAK	T18	Lab 3. EvoBeaker: Darwinian Snails
27-Sep	Evolution: ESS	DAK	T19	
2-Oct	Midterm 1 Exam (100 pts)	DAK		Lab 4. EvoBeaker: Guppy
4-Oct	Conservation Biology	DAK		
9-Oct	Terrestrial Ecosystems	JB	M&S 3	Lab 5. PAGE Museum Field Trip
11-Oct	Freshwater Ecosystems	JB	M&S 6	
16-Oct	Marine Ecosystems: Benthic	JB	M&S 6	Lab 6. Why Sex Movie screening
18-Oct	Marine Ecosystems: Pelagic	JB	M&S 6	
23-Oct	Climate & Climate Change	JB	M&S 5, 20	Lab 7. Ecobeaker: Corridors & Butterflies
25-Oct	Biogeography	JB	M&S 3,6	
30-Oct	Community Ecology	JB	M&S 7	Lab 8. Ecobeaker: Sewage treatment
1-Nov	Midterm 2 Exam (100 pts)	JB		
6-Nov	Biodiversity	JB	M&S 4, 10-12	Lab 9. Hyperion Field Trip
8-Nov	Habitat Fragmentation	JB	M&S 11	
13-Nov	Disease	JB	M&S 18	Lab 10. Ecobeaker: Fisheries
15-Nov	Nutrition	JB	M&S 13	
20-Nov	Environmental Impact Assessment	JB	M&S 18-22	No labs: Thanksgiving
22-Nov	Risk Assessment	JB	M&S 18	
27-Nov	Decision Making	JB	Slides	Presentation
29-Nov	Genetic Engineering	JB	M&S 4,13	
4-Dec	Exxon Valdez Oil Spill	JB	Slides	Presentation
6-Dec	Antarctica and Galapagos Islands	JB	Slides	
13-Dec	Midterm 3 Exam (100 pts) 11:00-12:20	JB		

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## **Texts**

Miller & Starr (MS), Taggart (T) Lab: Ecobeaker packets by Meir

## Grading: 550 total pts

Midterms - 100 points each

Lab assignments/ short papers (15 points ea.) Final presentation and paper - 50 points

Participation - 50 points (4 points ea. for each lab; 10 pts for 2 field trips)

## **Websites**

http://blackboard.usc.edu for announcements and course materials http://www.usc.edu/dept/LAS/biosci/courses/ for course materials for Bakus

<sup>\*</sup>All lab assignments will be completed and turned in at the beginning of the following lab period.

Late assignment loses half of the points for that assignment

Any assignment turned in 3 weeks after the lab period will not be graded