

# EVOLUTION OF GREEN PLANTS SYLLABUS SPRING 2014

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**CLASS MEETINGS:** Tu & TH 12:30–1:45 in **Torrey Life Sciences 301**

**COURSE WEBSITE:** On HuskyCT (available starting Jan. 22)

## COURSE READINGS:

Lectures are not supported by a textbook, instead readings will be assigned at a rate of ~1 paper per week. These papers are considered essential and part of the lecture material.

## GRADING

**3220 STUDENTS:** 333 points total

Midterm exam	(30%) 100 points
6 quizzes on reading material	(30%) 100 points
Final exam (33 points comprehensive)	(40%) 133 points

**3220W STUDENTS:** 444 points total

As shown above for EEB3220 (333 points). Plus, the W component is worth 25% of final grade (i.e., 111 points; see 3220W syllabus).

By university regulation, students enrolled in EEB 3220W must receive a passing grade for their writing assignments to pass the course (regardless of other scores).

**5220 STUDENTS:** 350 points total

Midterm exam	(30%) 100 points
6 quizzes on reading material	(15%) 50 points
Final exam (55 points comprehensive)	(40%) 133 points
1 Class presentation (draft = 20 points; final presentation = 30 points)	(15%) 50 points

**Note: No extra credit points are available!**

## **COURSE POLICIES**

The course has two meetings per week. These sessions will include lectures and discussions. Attendance is strongly encouraged! Note: class dates before and after spring break (i.e., March 13 and 25) are official class days.

The **exams** will consist of a mixture of fill-in-the-blank, short answer, and essay questions. 33 points of the final exam will be cumulative.

**Make-up exams** will be given only in the case of a **documented** medical emergency.

Consult the "Student Handbook" for UCONN's policies on grades, withdrawals, and incomplete grades.

As a courtesy to others, please turn off all personal communication devices (cell phones, etc.) when in class. The use of these items is prohibited during examinations.

In the event of severe weather, see the University Emergency Closing web site ([http://news.uconn.edu/emergency\\_closings.php](http://news.uconn.edu/emergency_closings.php)) for delays and cancellations. If you are a commuter student, please use discretion when making decisions about travel in bad weather.

**Special testing needs.** Please see the Center for Students with Disabilities (CSD) web site if you are in need of special accommodation for testing (<http://www.csd.uconn.edu/>) . Students should discuss their specific needs for testing with CSD staff within the first two weeks of each semester, and communicate these needs to the course instructors well before the first lecture exam.

**Academic integrity.** Please consult the Community standards web page ([http://www.dosa.uconn.edu/community\\_standards.html](http://www.dosa.uconn.edu/community_standards.html)) for detailed information about academic integrity: "Academic misconduct includes, but is not limited to:  
- Providing or receiving assistance on academic work (papers, projects, examinations) in a way that was not authorized by the instructor  
- Any attempt to improperly influence (bribery, threats) any member of the faculty, staff, or administration of the University in any matter relating to academics or research  
- Plagiarism  
- Doing academic work for another student  
- Presenting the same or substantially the same papers or projects in two or more courses without the explicit permission of the instructors"

Some useful contacts:

Counseling and Mental Health Services, 486-4705 (24 hrs),

<http://www.cmhs.uconn.edu>

Alcohol and other drug services, 486-9431, <http://www.aod.uconn.edu>

Dean of Students, 486-3426, <http://www.dos.uconn.edu>