



Miscellaneous Required Items

Pencils or pens for recording notes, etc.

Hand-lens with lanyard

Spiral bound notebook, convenient for field trips

Additionally, the following are recommended.

Old clothes, including long pants, and sturdy shoes or boots for field trips

Rain gear and warm clothing, as appropriate

Insect repellent for field trips

*Immediately upon returning from field trips, students are urged to check their bodies thoroughly for ectoparasites (i.e. ticks) and, if possible, to shower.*

Bottled water for field trips

Lecture examinations. At least two lecture examinations will be given during the semester, one of these prior to midterm. Each of these exams accounts for 100 points in determining the overall course grade.

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A = 1100-1200 points

B = 1000-1099 points

C = 900-999 points

D = 800-899 points

F = <800 points

Allocation of points:

Lecture Exam 1

located in Farbar Hall. The phone numbers are 229-245-2498 (V) and 229-375-5871 (VP). For more information, contact the office at 229-245-2498.

Student Opinion of Instruction (SOI). At the end of the term, students are expected to complete an online SOI survey through SmartEvals. Students will receive email notification through their VSU email addresses when the SOI is available, generally at least one week before the end of the term. SOI responses are anonymous, and instructors and administrators will be able to access the results only after final grades have been submitted. Students who withdraw or drop a course will also be sent invitations to complete the Dropped Course Survey. Complete information about the SOIs, including how to access the survey, is available on the [SOI Procedures webpage](#).

Supplemental Reading

*For current information on classification of angiosperm plant families*



## Tentative Course Outline with \*Laboratory Schedule

Week of Aug 17

Lecture:

Introduction to Course

What is a tree? What is a forest?

Overview of the Classification of Plants

\*Laboratory: Identification and Classification of Trees

Week of Aug 24

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Week of Aug 31

Diversity of Trees

Gymnosperms

GINKGO

Ginkgoales: Ginkgoaceae: *Ginkgo: ginkgo*

CONIFERS

Pinales: Cupressaceae, Pinaceae, Taxaceae:  
*Chamaecyparis, Juniperus, Taxodium; Abies,*

Week of Oct 5

Lecture: Diversity of Trees

Cornales: Hydrangeaceae, Cornaceae:

*Philadelphus*; *Cornus*, *Nyssa*: mock oranges;  
dogwoods, gums