Lab Exam Requirements & Format
WFS 340: Wetlands Ecology and Management

Time and Location: 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, 13 March 2008, in 156/157 PBB
(you will be able to look over plants until 8:00 pm on Wed)

Requirements:

• Wetland Plant ID (35 species—mounts)
• Anuran ID (15 species—specimen or slide) and calls (15 species)
• Shorebird ID (15 species—slides)
• Waterfowl ID (23 species—slides)
• USFWS Wetland Classification (slides and written questions)

Format:

The lab exam will be divided into 2 sections (stations and slides/calls). There will be 25 total stations broken down as follows: 15 plants, 3 preserved anuran specimens, and 7 wetland classification questions. At each station, you will be allowed to inspect the specimen (touching is not allowed) or question for 1 minute. At the end of 1 minute, everyone will rotate to the next station. After the final minute for the last station, you will have 2 minutes to return to any station(s). At the end of 2 minutes, everyone will hand in their testing sheet. There will be a 15-minute break before start of the next section.

The second section will be identifying shorebirds, waterfowl, anurans, and wetland classes and subclasses from slides. Also, there will be 5 anuran calls that you will have to identify—each call will be played 2X. Slide identification will consist of 10 shorebirds, 10 waterfowl, 7 anurans, and 10 wetland types. You will be allowed to inspect the slide from your seat for 1 minute, and slides will not be shown again.

All stations, slides and calls will count for 2 points (each question will be weighted the same) for a total of 134 points. Please note that you will lose ½ point for incorrect spelling, incomplete names (e.g., bullfrog instead of American bullfrog) or unreadable responses (please write clearly). For names, you may provide either the common or scientific name. There will be three bonus opportunities (2 points each)—one shorebird, one waterfowl, and one anuran slide.

The lab exam will count for 30% of your final grade.