

Zool 430L Class Expectations

Come to lab prepared

Students are expected to come to lab with all of their work completed: (a) pre-labs are completed before class (b) having read the lab that will be performed for the day is read beforehand, and (c) any labs that are due are completed and ready to turn in. Attempting to complete these tasks in class will result in a zero for the prelab grade (a,b), or a late penalty for the lab being turned in (c).

Required Dress

Close-toed shoes are required to be worn for every lab, failure to do so will result in dismissal and a zero for the lab period. Lab coats and goggles are not required.

Late work is accepted with a penalty of 5% per day. Remember, some points are better than no points, and zeros for lab report grades will drop your grade quickly to an F (just do the math)

Attendance is mandatory

Students that are not present will receive a grade of zero for the lab and pre-lab that was missed. Students are expected to discuss any absences with their TA and/or Dr. Butler prior to the absence. Students may be allowed to attend a different lab section with consent from both TA's if they find you have a valid reason for the absence.

Participation

Participation is mandatory in this lab. Labs are very hands-on, so it is expected that each student will perform a fair portion of the workload throughout the semester. For each lab, one member of the group will serve as the lab coordinator. These duties include delegating tasks to other lab members (usually someone responsible for computer/data collection, for doing the experimental manipulations, and for monitoring the subject). The coordinator also ensures that the lab reports are completed in a timely manner and turned in to the TA at the beginning of the next lab meeting. **The lab coordinator, however, is not expected to write the lab report by him or herself.** Each group member is assigned a portion of the lab report to write and revises the entire report prior to turn-in. This means that the coordinator must schedule deadlines appropriately. Your participation will be graded by your peers. This ensures that everyone is contributing an equal amount of work.

Plagiarism will not be tolerated

Plagiarism includes, but is not restricted to attempting to pass ideas as your own without proper citation and copying the work of your classmates. **Do not** copy word-for-word from published sources, even if you do cite. You must paraphrase (that means put the ideas into your own words and include proper citation). There is a zero tolerance policy for plagiarism, which is a violation of the Student Conduct Code. We will report any incidents to the Office of Judicial Affairs, so please do not do it.