

BIOLOGY 140: ANIMALS, PEOPLE AND THE ENVIRONMENT
ONLINE

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Online Course: <http://smccd.mrooms.net/>

Technical Requirements:

- Internet Explorer (Windows 2000 or XP)
- Firefox (Windows XP or Vista)
- Safari and Firefox (Macintosh)
- Internet connection (high speed is best)
- Your own email account

Earning points:

- Weekly assignments
- Discussion Participation
- Quizzes (based on PPT lectures/readings/videos/etc)
- Tests: in person
- Extra Credit (available IF all assignments are completed)

Final Grades based on % points earned:

- A-90%-100%
- B-80%-89%
- C-70%-79%
- D-60%-69%
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On-campus testing:

9/30

11/18

12/16

5:30-6:30 PM, room 2117A

MANDATORY

Photo-ID must be shown upon entry

Got a question?

Most questions should be asked in the online discussion forum titled "Questions." If your question needs to be asked in private, email Shari at Bookstaffs@smccd.edu. Subject line should be Biology 140 F09.

Course Goals:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the scientific method and the ability to use appropriate models to solve problems.
- Apply the knowledge of biological science to distinguish between observations, inferences, relationships, and testimonials under investigation.
- Demonstrate the ability to use scientific knowledge to assess personal and environmental health.
- Use the scientific knowledge and skills necessary for active citizenship.

Academic honesty. Plagiarized lab reports and papers will receive a score of zero. Refer to the Student Handbook.

Text: A custom textbook has been designed for this course, titled "Animals, People and the Environment". It consists of chapters from four different textbooks.

Withdrawal: You are responsible for dropping the course if necessary. Do not expect to be automatically dropped.

Date (week of)	Topic	Reading
8/19	Introduction	P. 88
8/26	Classification	pp. 65-69; skim 69-85
9/2	Evolution and Speciation	pp. 21-27; 31-33; 47-64 skim rest of chapters
9/9	Animal Kingdom I	pp 87-95; 95-102
9/16	Animal Kingdom II	pp. 102-109; 110-116
9/23-9/30	Communities, Ecosystems and Populations	pp. 117-147 pp. 179-197 pp. 198-216pp. 102-109
10/7	Animal Behavior	pp. 236-263
10/14	Social Systems	pp. 488-505
10/21	Communication	pp. 356-377
10/28	Sexual Reproduction Mating Systems	pp. 458-472 pp. 473-487
11/4	Endangered Species/Extinction	pp. 507-523
11/11	Terrestrial Biomes	pp. 148-156
11/18	Aquatic Biomes	pp. 156-160
11/25	Marine Mammals	TBA
12/2	Conservation Issues	pp. 524-572
12/9		

