EEBL - Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

EEBL 601 Physiological Ecology
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Examination of how physiological systems respond, over different timescales, to variation in physical and biological environments; understanding how the interaction of organism and environment determines characteristics relevant to ecology; understanding the effect of individual characteristic on population and interspecific dynamics. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 602 Population Ecology
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Fundamental concepts in population dynamics; focus on birth, death, immigration and emigration processes; how processes are affected by internal factors and ways they affect population abundance. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 603 Community Ecology
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Fundamental concepts in community ecology; conceptual development of the sub-discipline; spatial and temporal patterns of community structure; processes that determine community structure and dynamics; interface of population, community and ecosystem ecology; applications of community ecology for natural resource management, agriculture and health 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 604 Ecosystem Ecology
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Examination of flow of materials, energy and information between ecosystems and the geographic structure in which ecosystems are embedded globally; integrative nature of spatial and temporal processes acting across ecosystem units. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 605 Population and Quantitative Genetics
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Basic overview of the fields of population and quantitative genetics; fundamental concepts and their applications in research of natural populations. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 606 Phylogenetics and Comparative Biology
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Examination of phylogenetics and comparative biology. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 607 Evolutionary Genomics
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
New techniques for generating large amounts of genetic data, including thousands of single-nucleotide polymorphisms and whole-genome sequence data; transforming the study of evolutionary biology and the interpretation of evolutionary phenomena; includes population genetics, adaptation, phylogenomics and speciation. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 608 Integrative Animal Behavior
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Examination of the contributions of behavior to survival and reproduction; the interaction of evolutionary history and ecological circumstance to shape the expression of behavior; integrative nature of behavior; interaction of evolutionary processes, mechanistic constraints and ecological demands involved in selecting for a set of behavioral strategies. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 610 First Year Graduate Seminar
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Attendance and active participation in the weekly dinnertime conversation on PhD and career planning with ecology and evolutionary biology core faculty and others; faculty and colleagues provide feedback on application for fellowship support. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 612 Open Source for Open Science Bootcamp
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Exposure to command line programming in R; principles of data import, vetting, processing, analysis, graphing and produce export; bootcamp precedes Fall semesters over a three-day period. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification or approval by instructor.

EEBL 630 Big Bend National Park Natural History Survey
Credits 2. 2 Other Hours.
Advanced course taught in Big Bend National Park emphasizing biological, ecological, and natural history features of the Trans-Pecos ecoregion; detailed notes on the biology and geology of Big Bend based upon daily field trips will be recorded. 
Prerequisites: Graduate classification; approval of instructor.

EEBL 681 Seminar
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Attendance and active participation in the weekly ecology and evolutionary biology colloquium featuring guest speakers invited by students and faculty. May be taken up to six hours for credit. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.

EEBL 689 Special Topics in...
Credits 1 to 4. 1 to 4 Lecture Hours.
Selected topics in an identified area of ecology and evolutionary biology. 
Prerequisite: Graduate classification.