ENTO - ENTOMOLOGY (ENTO)

ENTO 101 Introduction to Academic Success in Entomology
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Orientation to academic success within higher education and specifically the Bachelor of Science degree in entomology; awareness of academic and campus support services available for student success; development of goals for academic and career planning, including creation and utilization of degree planner; awareness of personal self-management strategies, including learning styles, time management, goal setting, stress management and development of personal strategies for implementation of personal self-management into practice.

ENTO 102 Continuing Academic Success in Entomology
Credits 0. 0 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours. 0 Other Hours.
Continued exploration to academic success within higher education and specifically the Bachelor of Science degree in Entomology; increase awareness of academic and campus support services available for student success; development of goals for academic and career planning, including creation and utilization of degree planner; awareness of personal self-management strategies, including learning styles, time management, goal setting, stress management, and development of personal strategies for implementation of personal self-management into practice. Must be taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.
Prerequisite: ENTO 101.

ENTO 201 General Entomology
Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 2 Lab Hours.
Survey of the major classes of arthropods with special emphasis on species of economic or biological importance; general insect anatomy, physiology, metamorphosis and classification; survey of the biology of insect orders and major families using common injurious and beneficial species to relate material to production agriculture and the urban environment.

ENTO 208 Veterinary Entomology
Credits 2. 2 Lecture Hours.
Insects and their relatives causation of economic loss, impacts to well-being and transmission of disease pathogens to domestic and companion animals and wildlife as well as health and well-being of humans through occupational or recreational exposure; insect biology, economic importance and principles and methods of prevention and control.
Prerequisite: Co-enrollment in ENTO 209.

ENTO 209 Veterinary Entomology Laboratory
Credit 1. 2 Lab Hours.
Insects and their relatives causation of economic loss, impacts to well-being and transmission of disease pathogens to domestic and companion animals and wildlife, as well as health and well-being of humans through occupational or recreational exposure; laboratory emphasizes identification of major arthropod pests, use of microscopy and dissection equipment.
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment with ENTO 208.

ENTO 210 Global Public Health Entomology
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Impacts of insects and insect-borne diseases on public health and well-being around the globe; insect biology, bloodfeeding, and transmission of human diseases; role of insect borne diseases on human history, socio-economic development, and public health infrastructure.
Prerequisite: Freshman or sophomore classification or approval of instructor.

ENTO 209 Special Topics in... Credits 1 to 4. 1 to 4 Lecture Hours.
Selected topics in an identified area of entomology. May be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: Approval of instructor.

ENTO 291 Research Credits 0 to 4. 0 to 4 Other Hours.
Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in entomology. May be repeated 2 times for credit.
Prerequisites: Freshman or sophomore classification and approval of instructor.

ENTO 300/ECCB 300 Field Studies Credits 3. 3 Other Hours.
Integration of principles of animal and plant ecology with environmental factors to characterize wildlife populations; intensive analysis of specific areas will emphasize either the development of a wildlife management plan or a general vertebrate natural history survey.
Prerequisite: Prior approval of instructor and concurrent enrollment in ECCB 450/ENTO 450 and ECCB 451/ENTO 451.
Cross Listing: ECCB 300/ENTO 300.

ENTO 301 Biodiversity and Biology of Insects Credits 4. 3 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
Introduction to orders and most important families of insects; order-level morphology and family-level natural history; collection of insects identified to family level provides introduction to collection methods and specimen preparation.
Prerequisites: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209; BIOL 111 and BIOL 112; junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.

ENTO 305 Evolution of Insect Structure Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
External morphology of insects; evolution of form and function.
Prerequisite: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209; BIOL 111.

ENTO 306 Insect Physiology Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
Physiology of insects; structure and function of internal organ systems and their role in insect success.
Prerequisite: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209; BIOL 111 and BIOL 112; CHEM 101, CHEM 111, CHEM 102 and CHEM 112, or CHEM 119 and CHEM 120.

ENTO 320 Honey Bee Biology Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Introduction of honey bee biology and beekeeping practices to science and non-science majors; honey bees as the model insect to introduce general principles of biology and entomology.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.

ENTO 321 Beekeeping Credit 1. 3 Lab Hours.
Basic Knowledge and techniques used in apiculture; tools and knowledge needed to keep bees responsibly and productively.
Prerequisites: ENTO 320 or concurrent enrollment, junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.
ENTO 322 Insects and Human Society
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Emphasis on the role insects have played in the development of human cultures; aspects include health, food production and storage, art, music and architecture; overview of historic, present day, and future roles insects will have on environmental movements (green societies), and in underdeveloped, developing and developed societies.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification.

ENTO 401 Principles of Integrated Pest Management
Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
Integrated pest management (IPM) concepts, principles, development and application; IPM constitutes a series of pest control tactics and strategies toward more sustainable agriculture, natural resources, and urban and rural health and well-being.
Prerequisite: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209.

ENTO 402 Field-Crop Insects
Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
Application of management strategies for insect/mite pests of small grains, corn, cotton, rice, sorghum, stored products and sunflower; nature and symptoms of damage, life history and habits of common pests. Laboratory consists of pest and pest damage identification supported by field trips.
Prerequisites: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209.

ENTO 403 Urban Entomology
Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
Biological, economic importance and control strategies for arthropod pests commonly invading households and commercial structures in urban environments; laboratory consists of urban pest identification and special presentations and demonstrations covering topics related to urban pest problems and their control. Offered in 2011-2012 academic year and alternating years thereafter.
Prerequisites: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209, or approval of instructor.

ENTO 423 Medical Entomology
Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
Emphasis on the role insects have played in the development of human cultures; aspects include health, food production and storage, art, music and architecture; overview of historic, present day, and future roles insects will have on environmental movements (green societies), and in underdeveloped, developing and developed societies.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification.

ENTO 424 Insect Ecology
Credits 3. 2 Lecture Hours. 3 Lab Hours.
Provides basic ecological background with an applied interpretation, emphasizing influences of insect populations and communities on ecosystem processes that influence landscape structure, function and change.
Prerequisites: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209; BIOL 111; junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.

ENTO 425 Disease Ecology
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Ecological interactions that influence the distribution and abundance of pathogens, vectors, and hosts ultimately determine the spread of disease; impacts of urbanization, climate change, and other human influenced environmental changes on disease dynamics; integration of disease ecology into pathogen and vector monitoring and comprehensive strategies to reduce disease occurrence.
Prerequisite: ENTO 208, ENTO 209 and ENTO 423; junior or senior classification, or approval of instructor.
ENTO 450/ECCB 450 Caribbean Conservation
Credits 2. 6 Lab Hours.
Provide experience in and appreciation for diverse tropical habitats and the problems associated with conserving these habitats; design and conduct individual research projects on topics of their choice with approval from the instructors on project design and feasibility.
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in ENTO 300/ECCB 300 and ENTO 451/ECCB 451; junior or senior classification.
Cross Listing: ECCB 450/ENTO 450.

ENTO 451/ECCB 451 Caribbean Research Seminar
Credit 1. 1 Other Hour.
Document research activities; keep a journal of activities and research methods during study abroad trips.
Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in ENTO 300/ECCB 300 and ENTO 450/ECCB 450; junior or senior classification.

ENTO 455 Field Entomology in the Tropics
Credits 3. 9 Other Hours.
Intensive hands-on, field-based experiences in Costa Rica at the Texas A&M Soltis Center for Research and Education; study of insect diversity, behavior and natural history and insight into the challenges in conserving biodiversity; two-week course designed to provide authentic research experiences in a tropical rainforest; involvement in physically demanding fieldwork, extensive collecting and sampling, specimen sorting and preparation, as well as field observation of insect natural history and behavioral experiments; learn how to keep field notes, work in teams to solve research questions and communicate research through various media.
Prerequisites: Grade of C or better in BIOL 111 and BIOL 112; or approval of instructor; any course in entomology recommended.

ENTO 481 Seminar
Credit 1. 1 Lecture Hour.
Report of original investigations, current literature and special features of entomology.
Prerequisites: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209; junior or senior classification.

ENTO 482 Occupational and Professional Development
Credits 2. 2 Lecture Hours.
Organized instruction in written and oral communication; acquaint students with private and public-sector companies and agencies as well as leading professionals from these firms to reinforce academic instruction and prepare students for the transition to employment, graduate and professional schools.
Prerequisite: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209; or approval of instructor.

ENTO 484 Professional Internship
Credits 0 to 4. 0 to 4 Other Hours.
Independent study and supervised field experience related to a professional area of interest in entomology. May be taken two times for credit.
Prerequisite: ENTO 201, or ENTO 208 and ENTO 209; junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.

ENTO 485 Directed Studies
Credits 0 to 4. 0 to 4 Other Hours.
Individual problems.
Prerequisites: Approval of instructor and department head.

ENTO 489 Special Topics in...
Credits 1 to 4. 0 to 4 Lecture Hours. 0 to 4 Lab Hours.
Selected topics in an identified area of entomology. May be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: Approval of instructor.

ENTO 491 Research
Credits 0 to 4. 0 to 4 Other Hours.
Faculty supervised research in entomology. May be taken two times for credit. Registration in multiple sections of this course are possible within a given semester provided that the per semester credit hour limit is not exceeded.
Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.