## **Syllabus**

Lab Instructor: Bryon P. Spicci (Office Hours: By Appointment on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Voice Mail # 3926.

Textbook: Starr, Cecie-Biology Concepts and Applications, Fourth Edition. 2000.

Lab Manuals: Elson, Lawrence-The Zoology Coloring Book. 1982

KRCC Animal Biology, Course Objectives and Laboratory Reports...

## **Course Objectives:**

- 1. To gain an understanding of basic biological terms and principles.
- 2. To study the structure and function of various life forms.
- 3. To become aware of the diversity of life and become familiar with hierarchical schemes of biological organization and taxonomy.
- 4. To be able to recognize and identify different animals through the use of lab specimens, slides, overheads, etc.
- 5. To perform basic hands-on experiments in lab to increase your understanding of animals.

## Grading:

Lecture: 50%

Lab: 50% Laboratory grading will consist of three (3) lab exams, 12 or 13 lab reports, and weekly quizzes.

Lab Exams:

100 points each x 3 = 240 points

Lab Reports:

10 points each x 13 = 130 points

Weekly quizzes:

5 points each x 14 = 70 points

Total

440 points

Late labs will have points deducted and if you miss a lab, the maximum amount of points that you can earn on it will be 7. Also you will not be able to make up misssed quizzes. If you have questions about lab policies please ask either your lecture or lab instructor.

Your lab scores will be given to the lecture instructor who will determine your final grade to the class.

## **Absences and Tardies:**

You are expected to attend all class sessions. Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each lab session. Absences will be reported to the lecture instructor. Two or more absences in lab will put you in jeopardy and you will be considered for being dropped from the class. Tardies are a partial absence and three tardies will count as one absence. If you are serious ill or have a serious and compelling reason for missing class, please leave a message in your lecture and lab instructor's voice mail (638-3641 ext. 3926).