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## Learning Disabilities:

If you have a learning disability that may interfere with your ability to perform the work in this course, I am happy to make any necessary accommodations. However, it is the student's responsibility to obtain an Accommodation Letter from the Disabilities Office of the Health Center (ext. 6158). This letter MUST be presented to Dr. Todd within the first two weeks of class. No accommodations will be made until this letter is given to the professor. Accommodations will NOT be made retroactively (i.e. if you have a spelling disability, you must present the letter before any points are deducted for spelling).

## Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes. If it is necessary to miss a class, contact the instructor beforehand to inform them of your plans and request guidance on how to make up missed classroom learning. Research has shown that students who attend classes do much better and are FAR more likely to graduate. The US has dropped from 1<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> in the number of students who start college and actually manage to finish, so professors are urged to take attendance, as this has been shown to increase graduation rates.

## TAKENOTES

Research also makes it clear that students who take notes do better in classes and again, are more likely to graduate. Note taking helps keep your mind from wandering; it helps you concentrate on the class.

## CONDUCT IN CLASS

CELLPHONES ARE NOT ALLOWED. Anyone caught with a

the vocabulary and concepts presented in the slides, so if you have any questions about the lecture slides, please let me know.

### Academic Honesty:

The UAF [Student Code of Conduct](#) requires that collaboration among students will not be allowed on essays, tests, exams and online quizzes. Copying or paraphrasing another student's writing is a violation of the Student Code. Evidence of academic dishonesty (either copying anyone else's work or allowing someone to copy yours) will be presented to the Director of Judicial Services and may result in an F for the course and possible expulsion from the University.

## Quizzes

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There is at least one quiz due by 11:59pm almost every Monday!!

NOTE: You cannot pass this course without doing the quizzes. In every field, the 100 level courses tend to be heavy on vocabulary. In this respect, the courses are like a new language and it's hard to discuss the complexities of a discipline without being fluent in the "language." The quizzes help develop your fluency in the vocabulary of NRM that you will need for upper division courses.

QUIZZES count for over 30% of the points in this course. There is a quiz on every lecture topic, such as agriculture, forestry, wildlife, fisheries, etc. Quizzes on one week's topics are due by 11:59 the following Monday. You do not need to wait till the last minute; the quizzes are available anytime. Some weeks there can be 3 quizzes due Monday night, so I would encourage you to work on the quizzes as soon as possible after the lecture on the topic. You have two chances to get a perfect score on each quiz. There are also practice quizzes that do not count toward the grade; they are just there for review and practice.

## Tests & Final Exam

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There will be one Midterm and one comprehensive Final Exam. Each of these will include about several true/false and multiple choice questions, as well as several short answer and essay questions. Dates for tests and the exam are given on the attached course schedule.

### Questions on Test Scores

If you feel there is a mistake in the grading of a test or assignment, it is important for you to point it out. Graders do make mistakes and it's also healthy to defend yourself and your ideas. If you have any questions, please contact the instructor.

## No Early Final Exams

Early final exams are not allowed (an airline ticket is not an excuse for missing the final exam). However, if you have more than 2 exams in one day, provide proof and if possible, we will allow you to take the final exam at a different time.

# Don't Miss a Test!

## Missed Test Policy

This policy is an effort to be fair to those who did take the test on time and who have complained in the past that they, too, would have liked extra time to study (or sleep, etc...).

Sports Teams. If you are on a team that requires you to miss a test, you must have an excuse signed by your coach and make arrangements with me to take the test as soon as you return.

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## Grading Policy

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Zeros are very bad for your final grade! Try hard not to get a single ZERO! Each year, 15% of the students in this course receive an F, and inevitably they have several zeros on a single

WHAT DO THE LETTER GRADES MEAN?

A = Exceptional- The work is of "professional" quality, demonstrating originality, independence and a thorough mastery of the subject matter. This not only means fulfilling the requirements, but doing it in a way that goes the