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INTRODUCTION TO SUBANTARCTIC BIOCULTURAL CONSERVATION Fall 2011

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PHIL 4053, 5780 BIOL 4053, 5053

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Fall semester; Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:50 PM (Central Daylight/Standard Time) Gateway 049

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Academic Dishonesty Policy:

Students are responsible for reading, understanding, and knowing UNT's Academic Dishonesty Policy that can be found at: http://www.vpaa.unt.edu/academic integrity.htm. Academic dishonesty in this class is unacceptable and will not be tolerated in any form.

Disability Accommodation:

The Departments of Biological Sciences and Philosophy and Religion Studies, in cooperation with the Office of Disability Accommodation, comply with the Americans with disabilities in making reasonable accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. The University of North Texas is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of federal equal opportunity legislation; reference Public

Law 92-112 – The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended. With the passage of new federal legislation entitled Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), pursuant to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, there is renewed focus on providing this population with the same opportunities enjoyed by all citizens. Please present your written accommodation request before the 12th class day.

Drop/Withdrawal Information:

Drop/Withdrawal Information and other important Academic Dates can be found at www.essc.unt.edu/registrar/schedule/scheduleclass.html

INTRODUCTION TO SUB-ANTARCTIC BIOCULTURAL CONSERVATION

Course Description:

The course will provide students with an introduction to sub-Antarctic biological and cultural diversity, as well as to the approach of the Sub-Antarctic Biocultural Conservation Program at UNT. Students will gain an overview of the flora, fauna, geography, climate, and ethnography of southern South America. They will also gain a conceptual framework to integrate environmental philosophy and ecological sciences, and their integration into practical and theoretical aspects of biocultural conservation, including education and ecotourism.

We all bring different skills and mindsets to this course and will work as a group to broaden and integrate our approaches to biocultural conservation. This semester-long seminar-style course will have an emphasis on ethno-ornithology and ecotourism, as a way to implement biocultural conservation. The course is part of a broader International Research Experience for Students (IRES) program that includes a field experience, financed by a National Science Foundation (NSF), and a study-abroad field course, entitled Tracing Darwin's Path (TDP). Although this course is a recommended pre-requisite for the TDP field course, participation in the field components associated with the semester-long seminar course is not a requirement.

We will use various interactive features during the course, including Blackboard, videoconferences and live streaming. Course materials will be made available online through Blackboard and www.chile.unt.edu. Students are required to check Blackboard regularly for updates to the syllabus, announcements and access to course materials.

Course Goals:

Through readings, films, and seminars students will develop:

- A basic understanding of the geography, history, culture, and ecology of the sub-Antarctic ecoregion of southern South America
- A comprehension of under-appreciated biodiversity (bryophytes, lichens and freshwater invertebrates), and traditional ecological knowledge
- A distinctive interdisciplinary approach to biocultural conservation that integrates environmental philosophy and ecological sciences
- Familiarity with both biological and cultural diversity
- We will focus on some key figures on biocultural diversity (e.g., Darrel Possey, Luisa Maffi), South American environmental philosophy (e.g., Leonardo Boff, Chico Mendez, Dorothy Stang), comparative environmental philosophy (e.g., Baird Callicott), environmental philosophy and education (e.g., Eugene Hargrove, Peter Feinsinger), narrative philosophy and ethics (e.g., Alasdair MacIntyre), and this semester also on Neotropical ornithology (e.g., Francois

Vuilleumier, Christopher Elphick, Kathryn Sieving), and the topics of biotic homogenization and flagship species.

Readings:

Required purchased texts are:

- Maffi, L. 2001. On biocultural diversity. Smithsonian Institution Press.
- Rozzi, R., F. Massardo, C. Anderson, S. McGehee, G. Clark, G. Egli, E. Ramilo, U. Calderón, C. Calderón, L. Aillapan & C. Zárraga. 2010. *Multi-Ethnic Bird Guide of the Sub-Antarctic Forests of South America*. UNT Press Ediciones Universidad de Magallanes, Denton TX and Punta Arenas, Chile.
- Additional readings will be made available in PDF from the course Blackboard platform and are subject to change up to one week in advance if necessary.

Course Evaluation:

1) Group Presentations (15%)

Students groups of 4-5 will give 15 minute presentations on **Oct. 27**th based on a research topic chosen at the beginning of the semester (see Appendix with list of Research Topics Fall 2011). Each group is required to submit, by email, a professional PPT presentation on **Oct. 13**th, which will be returned with comments prior to the presentation. Groups are expected to incorporate and/or address the comments, questions, and indications given as feedback into the first draft PPT for their presentation on Oct. 27th.

On the day of the presentation, each group will also turn-in a short essay, max 6 pages, double spaced, font size 12, Times New Roman, 1-inch margins (not including bibliography – 1 to 3 additional pages).

To receive credit, essays must include: 1) a brief introduction; 2) main questions or thesis researched in the presentation; 3) results and thesis proposed and 4) broader implications of the findings and statements.

The essays will be distributed to the class as supplementary reading materials. On **Nov. 3**rd groups will receive feedback from their classmates and professors of the course about their drafts. Addressing the questions and suggestions provided on the drafts, each group will prepare a final paper, max 10 pages, double spaced, font size 12, Times New Roman, 1-inch margins (not including bibliography -1 to 3 additional pages) for **Dec. 1**st; no exceptions will be made for this deadline.

2) Attendance and Participation (10%)

Attendance is mandatory. Students are responsible to prepare ahead of time, attend <u>all</u> lectures and discussion sessions, ask questions, and express themselves creatively and concisely in their work. Ways of earning points for class participation include being prepared to contribute positively to class discussion of the assigned readings. Contributing positively requires having read, and as thoroughly as possible understood the assigned readings, and at least being able to raise important questions if not provide definitive answers. Undergraduate students are responsible for all required readings, and graduate students are responsible for required and supplementary readings. Authorized absences that will be considered on a case-by-case basis include: religious holidays, call to active military duty and a certified sickness by a medical professional. Unauthorized absences will affect participation grade.

3) Preparation Quizzes (25%)

At the beginning of each class, a short quiz will be taken regarding the material contained in the required (all students) and supplementary (only graduate) readings for that week.

4) Tests (25%)

Two tests will be taken during the semester worth 10% and 15% of the grade, respectively. Graduate students will be given an additional essay question on each exam.

5) Final Essay (25%)

Together with the course coordinators, groups of 4-5 students will select a topic of relevance to sub-Antarctic biocultural conservation and elaborate a "review-type" article, using an extensive bibliographic search. On Oct 27th students will present a PowerPoint presentation (see 1 above) and turn in the first draft. On Dec 1st the revised draft is due. Also, on Dec. 1st graduate students will require presenting a seminar on a flagship species.

The final grade earned will correspond to the following scores, weighted by each activity:

A = 89.5 - 100

B = 79.5 - 89.4

C = 69.5 - 79.4

D = 59.5 - 69.4

F = 59.4 and below

Course 2011Program

Date	Topic	Readings / Assignments	Lecturer
25 August	Syllabus review	Film: They killed Sister Dorothy	R. Rozzi J. Jiménez
	Introduction to the Bio-Cultural Conservation Course	Omora, Yahgan story. <i>Multi-Ethnic Bird Guide</i> . Pp. 167-170.	J. Kennedy
1 September	Biocultural Conservation & Liberation Theology in Brazil	Documentary: Interview with Leonardo Boff by R. Rozzi	R. May R. Rozzi
	Brief review of Gare' article by a graduate student	Gare 1998	
	Boff's eco-theology	Supplementary:	
	 Roy May's environmental ethics & Dorothy Stang, Chico Mendez and Leonardo Boff 	Interview with Boff by R. Rozzi	
8 September	Unit I: Characterization of the	Armesto et al. 1998	J. Jiménez
	Magellanic Sub-Antarctic	Rozzi et al. accepted	
	Ecoregion & Biocultural Diversity	Introduction to the temperate	
		forests. Multi-Ethnic Bird Guide.	
	The Magellanic Sub-Antarctic Ecoregion	Pp. 15-20.	
		Supplementary:	

		Rozzi et al. 2006	
		http://www.ecologyandsociet	
		y.org/vol11/iss1/art43/	
15 September	Unit I: Characterization of the	Magellanic Woodpecker (Lana),	J. Jiménez
	Magellanic Sub-Antarctic	Yahgan story. <i>Multi-Ethnic</i>	
	Ecoregion & Biocultural Diversity	Bird Guide. Pp. 49-51	
	Magellanic Sub-Antarctic AvifaunaFilm The Life of Birds	Vuilleumier 1985	
		Film: The Life of Birds by D.	
		Attenborough.	
22 September	Unit I: Characterization of the	Maffi 2001. On Biocultural	R. Rozzi
	Magellanic Sub-Antarctic	Diversity. Pp. 1–50.	
	Ecoregion & Biocultural Diversity		
	Ethno-Ornithology & Biocultural	Introduction to Ethno-	
	Diversity	Ornithology. Multi-Ethnic Bird	
		Guide. Pp. 9-11	
	Brief review of Callicott's		
	Foreword by a graduate student	Magellanic Tapaculo, Mapuche	
	• Tapaculo story	& Yahgan story. <i>Multi-Ethnic</i>	
20.6	Maffi' introduction	Bird Guide. Pp. 52-55.	D D
29 September	Synthesis Unit I:	Maffi 2001. On Biocultural	R. Rozzi
	Characterization of the Magellanic Sub-Antarctic Ecoregion &	Diversity. Pp. 265-281 (Lizarralde); Pp. 190-211	
	Biocultural Diversity	(Zent).	
	Diocultural Diversity	Rozzi et al. 2008a	
	Brief review of chapters by	Nozzi et al. 2000a	
	Lizarralde & Zent by a graduate	Austral Thrush, Mapuche &	
	student	Yahgan story. Multi-ethnic	
	Austral Thrush story	Bird Guide. Pp. 147-149.	
	Field environmental philosophy		
6 October	Mid-Term Exam Unit I	Callicott's Earth's Insights	B. Callicott
		Introduction (Chapter 1) &	R. Rozzi
	Comparative environmental	South American eco-	
	philosophy by Baird Callicott	eroticism (Chapter 7)	
#13October	Unit II: Introduction to Sub-Antarct	ic Willson et al. 1994	K. Sieving
	Conservation, Ornithology,	Sieving et al. 2000	J. Jiménez
	Education, and Ecotourism	Sieving & Silva-Rodríguez 2011	
	Sieving's perspectives on		
	conservation and philosophy of		
	science		
	Conservation and Ornithological		
	studies in southern South America		
20 October	Unit II: Introduction to Sub-Antarct	ic Film: Convivencia	J. Kennedy

	Conservation, Ornithology, Education, and Ecotourism Ecotourism, Education and Bio- Cultural Conservation • Brief review of chapters by Posey & Skutnabb-Kangas by a graduate student • Film Convivencia • Freshwater ecology education	Moorman et al. 2006 Rozzi et al. 2010. Pp. 1-5 Maffi 2001. On Biocultural Diversity. Pp. 379-395 (Posey) & pp. 396-432 (Skutnabb-Kangas)	R. Rozzi
27 October	Unit II: Introduction to Sub-Antarctic Conservation, Ornithology, Education, and Ecotourism Undergraduate Group presentations		J. Jiménez R. Rozzi
3 November	Unit II: Introduction to Sub-Antarctic Conservation, Ornithology, Education, and Ecotourism Bird Research, Ecotourism and Sub- Antarctic Avifauna • Elphick's view of avian conservation • Sub-Antarctic Ornithology and Ecology	Rozzi et al. 2010. Pp. 25-27 Ippi et al. 2009 Elphick et al. 2011	C. Elphick J. Jiménez
^{&} 10Novemb.	Unit II: Introduction to Sub-Antarctic Conservation, Ornithology, Education, and Ecotourism Sub-Antarctic Ecotourism • Brief review of chapter by Blount by a graduate student • Film Return to the Den • Chávez on Ecoturism and conservation	Goffinet et al. 2012. Chapters 1 & 2 Maffi 2001. On Biocultural Diversity. Pp. 503-516 (Blount) Film: Return to the Den	J. Chávez R. Rozzi
[@] 17Novemb.	Unit II: Introduction to Sub-Antarctic Conservation, Ornithology, Education, and Ecotourism Sub-Antarctic Bryology in "The Miniature Forests of Cape Horn:" Science, education and conservation	Rozzi et al. 2008b Goffinet et al. 2012. Chapters 3 & 4	B. Goffinet R. Rozzi
24 November	Thanksgiving	Moffi 2001 On Big sultium	L limés s
1 December	Unit II: Introduction to Sub-Antarctic Conservation, Ornithology, Education, and Ecotourism. Sub-Antarctic Biodiversity: The pristine landscapes of Cape Horn	Maffi 2001. On Biocultural Diversity. Pp. 540-45 (F. Manriquez) & pp. 145-156 (G. Nabhan) Supplementary:	J. Jiménez R. Rozzi J. Kennedy

	Brief review of chapters by	Walpole & Leader-Williams	
	Manriquez & Nabhan <i>by a graduate</i> student	2002	
	Woodpeckers & Flagship species seminar by graduate students	Hargrove 2008	
	Submission of final essays		
8 December	Final Exam		J. Jiménez
			J. Kennedy

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