

Department of Fisheries & Wildlife

New Student Advising and Orientation for Transfer and Post Baccalaureate Students

The following links contain important information for new students.

- ALEKS Math Placement
- Tutorial of Curriculum Yearly Planner
- FW Course Descriptions & Curriculum
- MyDegrees Tutorials
- Academic Advising at OSU
- Fisheries and Wildlife Undergraduate Student Page
- Advising Resources for Fisheries and Wildlife Students
- Internships Page
- General Catalog & Academic Regulations
- <u>College of Agricultural Sciences</u> Academic Programs Office Strand Ag Hall 147, 737-2211 (when Dean's signature is needed, or other College of Ag questions arise)

Advisor Information:

Student's Name:		
Advisor:	 	
Office:	 	
E-Mail:		

What to do during START with your departmental advisor:

- 1. Get your advisor information
- 2. All Fisheries and Wildlife students should be subscribed to the **FW-undergrads** listserv which delivers essential items such as advising, scholarships, internships, course offerings, and departmental functions. To subscribe to the FW-undergrads listserv:
 - Got to web page: http://lists.oregonstate.edu/mailman/listinfo/fw-undergrads
 - Under "Subscribing" put your name and your ONID email address
 - You don't need a password to subscribe, click on Subscribe
- 3. Prepare your schedule using the catalog and the curriculum yearly planner and then register for classes.
- 4. Review MyDegrees, Canvas, Scheduler

INFORMATION FOR NEW STUDENTS 2018-2019

Who should I go to with my questions?

For questions about your term schedule and to get your registration PIN - see your assigned	For questions about internship or work experience:
Faculty Advisor.	Danielle Jarkowsky, Internship Coordinator
Look for Nancy Allen's email announcement to the Undergrad listserv week 5 about signing up for advising.	danielle.jarkowsky@oregonstate.edu Nash 104E 541-737-1091
For questions about registration (restrictions,	If you'd like to talk about career options or
overrides, and scheduling issues), MyDegrees, transfer courses, petitions, S/U forms, and	graduate school:
graduation requirements:	Selina Heppell
	Department Head, Nash 104C,
Nancy Allen, Head Advisor, Nash 104F,	selina.heppell@oregonstate.edu
nancy.allen@oregonstate.edu, 541-737-1941	541-737-9039

How can I be a rock star student?

READ YOUR EMAIL

Everyone gets way too much of it but it's an important task to check email for critical advising, class, and university related announcements. Don't miss out!

Get Connected and Experience F&W

- Connect to graduate students, faculty, and other students
- Get hands-on experience
- · Join professional societies and attend annual meetings
- Focus on education but take advantage of other opportunities

Go to the Writing Center!

We strongly encourage you to take advantage of The Writing Center which is located in Waldo Hall Room 123. The Center offers an in-house Language Use Diagnostic test at no cost. This test is to assist you with grammar and punctuation and also help with any writing assignments you will need to prepare for class.

Know where to find academic info!

- General Catalog
- Schedule of classes
- Student Services

You don't get experience, you don't get a job!

One of the best avenues to a permanent job in Fisheries and Wildlife is through a strong Internship and temporary employment or volunteer positions. There are many opportunities for such work,

including the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon State Police (cadet program leading to game law enforcement), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Environmental Protection Agency, National Marine Fisheries Service, Defenders of Wildlife, The Nature Conservancy, and others. Begin by looking for positions on our <u>Internship and Seasonal Job website</u>. It also has tips on preparing resumes, writing cover letters and interviewing.

Get out of Dodge!

Consider studying abroad or doing an international internship your sophomore or junior years. Credits from these can be applied to meet some of your degree requirements. The OSU International Degree and Office of Global Opportunities has many partnerships with programs that will accept financial aid and scholarships as payment. Check out our Department's International Experiences section on our undergraduate webpages.

<u>Get help when you need it!</u> You will find that your teachers and advisors are interested in your success and are willing to assist you when you need it. Your tuition and fees pay for many services – take advantage of them – and let us know when you need help.

Planning for your Fisheries and Wildlife Courses

Prerequisites and sequencing require thoughtful planning and regular consultation with your advisor. In general, students should complete all lower division courses (100/200) before taking upper division courses (300/400). Math, chemistry, and biology are prerequisites for many other courses and should be completed no later than your sophomore year.

A typical 4 year plan could include the following courses under two different tracks. Your advisor will help you determine which one is right for you. **These are examples and course options will vary for every student.**

FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE PROGRAM 4-YEAR COURSE OF STUDY These are examples and course options will vary for every student.			
TRACK I - Traditional	TRACK II - Rigorous		
Freshman Year	Freshman Year		
FW 107 Orientation to FW (Fall)	FW 107 Orientation to FW (Fall)		
CH 121-123 ¹ Chemistry (F,W,S)	CH 231-233 ¹ Chemistry, labs 261-263 ¹ (F,W,S)		
Math/ALEKS if appropriate	BI 211-213 Biology (F,W,S)		
WR 121 English Composition	Math 241 or 251		
COMM 111 or 114 - Speech	WR 121 English Composition		
Physical Science Course(s)	COMM 111 or 114 - Speech		
Baccalaureate Core Requirement(s)	Baccalaureate Core Requirement(s)		
	FW 251 Principle of FW Conservation (Winter)		
Sophomore Year			
FW 209 Career Skills in FW (Fall or winter)	Sophomore Year		

FW 251 Principles of FW Conservation (Winter)	FW 209 Career skills in FW (F or W)
FW 255 Field Sampling of Fish and Wildlife	FW 255 Field Sampling of Fish and Wildlife
FW 289 Communications Skills for FW Professionals	FW 289 Communications Skills for FW Professionals
BI 211-213 ¹ Biology (F,W,S)	FW 307 Specialization Development (Spring)
Writing II (WR 327 recommended)	BI 370 Ecology (Fall)
Physical Science Course(s)	ST 351, 352 Statistics (Fall, Winter)
Baccalaureate Core Requirements	FW 320 Population Dynamics (Winter)
	FW 321 Resource Ecology (Spring)
Junior Year	Writing II - WR 327 recommended or HC 199 (honors)
FW 307 Specialization Development (Fall)	Baccalaureate Core Requirements
Vertebrate Biology/Systematics course(s)	Physical Science Course(s) Math recommended
BI 370 Ecology (Fall)	Vertebrate Biology/Systematics course(s)
FW 320 Population Dynamics (Winter)	
FW 321 FW Resource Ecology (Spring)	Junior Year
FW 410 Internship Requirement ²	Human Dimensions Course(s)
ST 351, 352 Statistics (Fall, Winter)	Vertebrate Biology/Systematics course(s)
Physical Science Course(s)	Advanced Core Courses
Specialization Courses	Specialization Courses
	FW 410 Internship Requirement ²
	FW 401 Research (optional)
Senior Year	Study Abroad (optional)
Vertebrate Biology/Systematics Course(s)	
Human Dimensions Course(s)	Senior Year
FW 488 Problem Solving in FW Science	FW 488 Problem Solving in FW Science
Human Dimensions Course(s)	Advanced Core Courses
FW 410 Internship Requirement ²	Specialization Courses
Advanced Core Courses	Human Dimensions Course(s)
Specialization Courses	FW 410 Internship Requirement ²
	FW 401 Research (optional)
	Study Abroad and/or HMSC (optional)
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¹Chemistry and Biology Courses must be completed with a C- or better grade.

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 $^{^2}$ Internships can be done any year and should be completed at least 2 terms before you graduate.