IPM 5305
PRINCIPLES OF PESTICIDES
Spring 2020
Three (3) credit hours – Spring semesters

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OFFICE HOURS: While I do not set aside dedicated office hours, I am readily available to make appointments. To arrange an appointment, email or call me on the telephone as listed above. Should you send email to me, please do so only within the Canvas course management system. Please do not text me. I do not communicate by texting, and will not respond to you.

COURSE MEETINGS: Asynchronous – UF Elearning (Distance).

COURSE DESCRIPTION
Principles of Pesticides will provide opportunities for students to gain a basic knowledge of pesticides and their use. The course is not designed for students to memorize chemical structures, but to gain a practical working knowledge of all types of pesticides used primarily in agricultural and horticultural settings. Emphasis will be placed upon major classes of agricultural pesticides used on commodities grown in Florida. Students are expected to be able to associate common names of pesticide active ingredients with chemical families, modes of action, and use patterns.

COURSE OBJECTIVES
➢ To have a thorough knowledge of the history of pest management, particularly the specific role pesticides have served in the development of management strategies.
➢ To have a knowledge of pesticide families and be able to differentiate among families based on their specific modes of activity.
➢ To evaluate specific pest scenarios caused by arthropods, nematodes, pathogens and weeds in order to develop appropriate pesticide management strategies.
➢ To be knowledgeable of the laws and regulations governing the proper use of pesticides.
➢ To obtain a working knowledge of the equipment used to apply pesticides and to understand the factors involved in calibrating application equipment for pesticide applications and be able to make accurate calculations for these purposes.
➢ To understand the potential hazards to humans, wildlife, and the environment by the use of pesticides.
COURSE PREREQUISITES: Graduate standing or approval by the instructor.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS: None

SUGGESTED TEXTBOOKS (not required):


RECOMMENDED GENERAL REFERENCES
Students are advised to review assigned reading materials (see listings of lectures and required readings). Material from assigned readings and class lectures is considered fair game for exams. A list of helpful references is provided for your own information. Some of my lecture material is taken from these references.

GRADING CRITERIA
The course grade will be determined from:

- 3 semester exams
- A final comprehensive exam
- 4 written assignments
- A project PowerPoint presentation

The following is a breakdown of how the final course grade is calculated by total available points:

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Written Assignments: under the “Assignments” tab in the Canvas course management system, students will find instructions and due dates, as well as below, for completing these written assignments of relevant topics.

Assignment 1: (introductory bio) **Due: 11:59 p.m. Friday, January 17, 2020**
Assignment 2: (justifying the use of pesticides in the U.S.) **Due: 11:59 p.m. Friday, January 31, 2020**
Assignment 3: (the biotech dilemma) **Due: 11:59 p.m. Friday, February 28, 2020**
Assignment 4: (calculation problems) Due: 11:59 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2020

Project Presentation: the presentation will be a comprehensive pest management plan for an agricultural commodity. Instructions will be posted in the course management system under the “Assignments” tab. Due: 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

Learning Activities: some weeks I will post a learning activity. Although not required, your learning of relevant material will be enhanced with your participation and interaction with your classmates. My hope is that these activities will foster an interactive environment and be driven by you, the students. Typically in the past, those students who actively participate do well in IPM 5305.

Due Dates: all exam, assignment, and project presentation due dates and times are strictly adhered. The course management system will not allow submissions after the due time and date. If you anticipate a problem, contact me ahead of time. Late submissions are allowable only at the discretion of the instructor.

Grading (% of total points): 93 to 100 A; 90 to 92 A-; 87 to 89 B+; 83 to 86 B; 80 to 82 B-; 77 to 79 C+; 73 to 76 C; 70 to 72 C-; 67 to 69 D+; 63 to 66 D; 60 to 62 D-; <60 E.

ONLINE COURSE EVALUATIONS

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via https://ufl.bluera.com/ufl/. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/.

ACADEMIC HONESTY, SOFTWARE USE, SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, UF COUNSELING SERVICES

The University of Florida Honor Code may be found in the Regulations of the University of Florida under section 6C1-4.041.

Preamble: In adopting this Honor Code, the students of the University of Florida recognize that academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students who enroll at the University commit to holding themselves and their peers to the high standard of honor required by the Honor Code. Any individual who becomes aware of a violation of the Honor Code is bound by honor to take corrective action. Student and faculty support are crucial to the success of the Honor Code. The quality of a University of Florida education is dependent upon the community acceptance and enforcement of the Honor Code.
The University of Florida requires all members of its community to be honest in all endeavors. Cheating, plagiarism, and other acts diminish the process of learning. When students enroll at UF they commit themselves to honesty and integrity. Your instructor fully expects you to adhere to the academic honesty guidelines you signed when you were admitted to UF.

As a result of completing the registration form at the University of Florida, every student has signed the following statement:

**The Honor Pledge:**

We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code.

On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied:

"On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment."

Reminder: you have signed the following statement:

"*I understand that the University of Florida expects its students to be honest in all their academic work. I agree to adhere to this commitment to academic honesty and understand that my failure to comply with this commitment may result in disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the University.*"

It is to be assumed all work will be completed independently unless the assignment is defined as **group project**, in writing by the professor.

This policy will be vigorously upheld at all times in this course.

**Plagiarism**

You will not receive credit for the assignment. The Office of the Dean for Students will be notified and you will deal with them. IPM 5305 is a graduate-level course and I believe graduate students should have high standards which includes doing one’s own work.

**Software Use**

All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such
violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate.

**Campus Resources**

**Health and Wellness**

**U Matter, We Care:**
If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu or 352 392-1575 so that a team member can reach out to the student.

Counseling and Wellness Center:
[http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Default.aspx](http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Default.aspx), 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

**Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)**
Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

**University Police Department**, 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies). 
[http://www.police.ufl.edu/](http://www.police.ufl.edu/)

**Academic Resources**

*E-learning technical support*, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu. [https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml](https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml).


**Library Support**, [http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask](http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask). Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

**Teaching Center**, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. [http://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/](http://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/)


**Students with Disabilities**
The Dean of Students Office coordinates the needed accommodations of students with disabilities. This includes the registration of disabilities, academic accommodations within the classroom, accessing special adaptive computer equipment, providing interpretation services, and mediating faulty-student disability related issues.
***The Canvas Course Management System***

We will be utilizing the Canvas distance course management system (http://lss.at.ufl.edu) to communicate relevant course-related material, due dates, etc. You will login with your GatorLink username and password. Students must have an active GatorLink ID to access E-Learning. Should you encounter problems or you cannot remember your GatorLink login information, visit the GatorLink website (http://gatorlink.ufl.edu) or the UF Computing Help Desk: (352) 392-HELP for assistance.

***Online Course Evaluation Process***

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/.

***Listings of lectures and required readings***

Readings are also found in the “Modules” tab of the Canvas course management system. Upon entering, select “Readings” for each week. I suggest that you print and read these.

**Module 01 (The Foundation of Principles of Pesticides): opens Monday, January 6.**

01.01.01 _Introduction to IPM 5305_ (Review course syllabus)
01.01.02 _What is a Pesticide and Why Use Pesticides?_
01.01.03 _History of Pest Management and Pesticides_

**Weekly readings:**

2. What is and isn’t a Pesticide? https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI13300.pdf

01.02.01 _The Law and Pesticide Application_
01.02.02 _Principles of Pesticides and Pest Control_
01.02.03_Understanding Pesticide Labeling

Weekly readings:
1. Agricultural and Related Pest Control Applicator License Classifications under the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI09500.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI09500.pdf)
2. Federal Regulations Affecting Use of Pesticides [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI16800.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI16800.pdf)
3. Interpreting Pesticide Label Wording [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI07100.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI07100.pdf)
4. Understanding Safety Data Sheet Language [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI07200.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI07200.pdf)

01.03.01_Pesticide Formulations
01.03.02_Pesticides and the Environment

Weekly readings:
1. Pesticide Formulations [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI23100.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI23100.pdf)
2. Protecting Water Resources from Agricultural Pesticides [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI00100.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI00100.pdf)
3. Pesticide-Organism Interactions [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI08000.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI08000.pdf)
4. Pesticide Effects on Nontarget Organisms [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI12200.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI12200.pdf)
5. Pesticide Residues [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI10600.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI10600.pdf)

01.04.01_Harmful Effects and Emergency Response
01.04.02_Personal Protective Equipment
01.04.03_Transportation, Storage and Security, and Disposal of Pesticide Wastes

Weekly readings:
2. Glyphosate Biomonitoring for Farmers and Their Families: Results from the Farm Family Exposure Study [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1241861/](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1241861/)
5. Secure Pesticide Storage: Security Against Terrorist Threats [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI07900.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI07900.pdf)

01.05.01_Pesticide Drift
01.05.02_Pesticide Resistance

Weekly readings:
1. Managing Pesticide Drift [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI23200.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI23200.pdf)
2. Florida’s Organo-Auxin Herbicide Rule - 2018 [https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/WG/WG05100.pdf](https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/WG/WG05100.pdf)
3. Pesticide Resistance and Resistance Management
   http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/CG/CG02600.pdf

End of material for Exam I

Exam I opens 8:00 a.m. Monday, February 10 and must be completed by 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, February 12, 2020.

Module 02 (Fungicides and Insecticides): opens Monday, February 10.

02.01.01_Introduction to Fungicides I
02.01.02_Introduction to Fungicides II
02.01.03_Introduction to Fungicides III

Weekly readings:
1. Fungicide Resistance Action Committee’s (FRAC) Classification Scheme of Fungicides According to Mode of Action
   http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI13100.pdf
2. Rethinking Copper
   http://pested.ifas.ufl.edu/other/CourseReferences/RethinkingCopper.pdf
3. Control of Bacterial Spot of Pepper Initiated by Strains of *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *vesicatoria* That Differ in Sensitivity to Copper
   http://pested.ifas.ufl.edu/other/CourseReferences/ControlOfBacterialSpotofPepper.pdf

02.02.01_Introduction to Fungicides IV
02.02.02_Introduction to Fungicides V
02.02.03_Introduction to Fungicides VI

Weekly readings:
1. Fungicide Resistance Action Committee’s (FRAC) Classification Scheme of Fungicides According to Mode of Action
   http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI13100.pdf
2. Evaluating Fungicide Recommendations for Vegetable Crops in the United States: Should More Be Done to Limit the Risks of Fungicide Resistance Development?

02.03.01_Introduction to Insecticides I
02.03.02_Introduction to Insecticides II
02.03.03_Introduction to Insecticides III

Weekly readings:
1. IRAC’s Insecticide Mode of Action Classification (Students should focus on this document for all insecticide lectures)
   http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI12100.pdf
2. The History of the Pyrethroid Insecticides
   http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/documents/pyrethroid-timeline-pdf/
3. Spinosad: An Exciting New Product for Larval Control
   http://pested.ifas.ufl.edu/other/Coursereferences/LarvalControl.pdf
4. History of Bt [http://pested.ifas.ufl.edu/other/Coursereferences/HistoryOfBT.pdf]

02.04.01_Introduction to Insecticides IV
02.04.02_Introduction to Insecticides V
02.04.03_Introduction to Insecticides VI

Weekly readings:
1. IRAC’s Insecticide Mode of Action Classification (Students should focus on this document for all insecticide lectures) [http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/PI/PI12100.pdf]
4. Natural Products for Managing Landscape and Garden Pests in Florida [http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/IN/IN19700.pdf]

End of material for Exam II

Exam II opens 8:00 a.m. Monday, March 16 and must be completed by 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, 2020.

Module 03 (Herbicides and Miscellaneous Pesticides): opens Monday, March 16.

03.01.01_Introduction to Herbicides I
03.01.02_Introduction to Herbicides II
03.01.03_Introduction to Herbicides III

Weekly readings:
1. Weed Science Society of America - Herbicide Site of Action (SOA) Classification List (all lectures for the herbicide section) [WSSA-Herbicide Site of Action (SOA) Classification List]
2. Students should also become familiar with the Herbicide Resistance Action Committee (HRAC) Website [http://www.hracglobal.com/]

03.02.01_Introduction to Herbicides IV
03.02.02_Introduction to Herbicide V
03.02.03_Introduction to Herbicides VI

Weekly readings:
1. Weed Science Society of America - Herbicide Site of Action (SOA) Classification List (all lectures for the herbicide section) [WSSA-Herbicide Site of Action (SOA) Classification List]
2. Students should also become familiar with the Herbicide Resistance Action Committee (HRAC) Website [http://www.hracglobal.com/]
4. Pesticide Storage: Keep It in the Container
   https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/Pl/PI25500.pdf

03.03.01 Introduction to Herbicides VII
03.03.02 Plant Growth Regulators, Acaricides, and Molluscsicides
03.03.03 Soil Fumigants and Nematicides

Weekly readings:
1. Weed Science Society of America - Herbicide Site of Action (SOA) Classification List
   (all lectures for the herbicide section) WSSA-Herbicide Site of Action (SOA) Classification List
2. Students should also become familiar with the Herbicide Resistance Action Committee (HRAC) Website http://www.hracglobal.com/
4. Plant Growth Regulators https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/Pl/PI13900.pdf
6. Fumigants and Nematicides http://pested.ifas.ufl.edu/other/CourseReferences/ChemicalsUsedToControlInvertebrates.pdf

End of material for Exam III

Exam III opens 8:00 a.m. Monday, April 6 and must be completed by 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2020.


04.01.01 Application Equipment and Methods
04.01.02 Calibration and Calculations
04.01.03 Adjuvants for Pesticide Applications

Weekly readings:
1. Boom Sprayer Nozzle Performance Test http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/Pl/Pl01500.pdf
3. Spray Adjuvants file://ad.ufl.edu/ifas/AGR/Users/weeddr/IPM%205305/IPM%205305%202020/04.01.03%20Adjuvants%20for%20Pesticide%20Applications%202020/Spray%20Adjuvants.pdf

04.02.01 Pesticide Interactions
04.02.02 Misuse of Pesticides
Weekly readings:

End of class material (Last day of class: April 22)
Final exam opens 8:00 a.m. Monday, April 27 and must be completed by 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, 2020.

List of helpful references (Note: not required reading)

Crop Data Management Systems. (Pesticide product labels) http://www.cdms.net/LabelsMsds/LMDefault.aspx?

EXTOXNET (Extension Toxicology Network provides detailed toxicology data for many pesticide active ingredients) http://extoxnet.orst.edu/

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Division of Agricultural Environmental Services. (Licensing and regulatory information) https://www.freshfromflorida.com/Divisions-Offices/Agricultural-Environmental-Services


TeeJet Technologies. (Sprayer equipment manufacturer and retailer) http://teejetguidance.com/english/home/literature/catalogs.aspx
