Bemidji State University

BIOL 3850: Marine Biology

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION
   Credits: 3
   Lecture Hours/Week: *.*
   Lab Hours/Week: *.*
   OJT Hours/Week: *.*
   Prerequisites: None
   Corequisites: None
   MnTC Goals: None
   Lecture course introducing major concepts and theories. Includes physical and chemical components of the oceans, with special interest paid to the major groups of organisms living in marine systems. Emphasis on the different types of marine systems (coral reefs, mangroves, open water, etc.). Prerequisites: BIOL 1400 and 1500. Might not be offered every year.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 11/30/2003 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS
   1. Abyssal Zone
   2. Algae & Marine Toxins
   3. Aquaculture
   4. Coral Reefs
   5. Costal Environments
   6. Deep Sea Vents
   7. Estuaries
   8. Fishes
   9. Geography of Oceans
  10. Kelp Forests
  11. Mangroves
  12. Marine Biotechnology
  13. Marine Invertebrates
  14. Marine Mammals
  15. Mudflats
  16. Ocean Currents & Tides
  17. Open Ocean/Pelagic Zone
  18. Organism Distribution
  19. Origins & Geology of Oceans
  20. Reptiles & Seabirds
  21. Rocky Intertidal
  22. Salt Marshes
  23. Water Chemistry & Properties of Water
D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)
   1. learn an introduction to major concepts and theories of marine biology.
   2. demonstrate and understanding of physical, chemical, and geologic components of the oceans.
   3. identify major groups of organisms living in marine systems.
   4. learn the different types of marine systems and the organisms inhabiting them.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies
   None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT
   As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION
   None noted