

BIOB38 Plants In Society
SYLLABUS – Winter 2016 – Dr. Connie Soros

Lecture: Tuesdays 3:00-5:00. Rm. AC223

Tutorials: Thursdays 5:00-7:00 Rm. AC223 (Jan 21, Feb 11, Mar 10, Mar 31)

- Week 1 (Jan 5) Lecture 1 – Introduction, Plant Form and Lifecycle
- Week 2 (Jan 12) Lecture 2 – Plant Cells and Physiology
- Week 3 (Jan 19) Lecture 3 – Origins of Agriculture
(Jan 21) Tutorial 1 - Assignment
- Week 4 (Jan 26) Lecture 4 - Grasses
- Week 5 (Feb 1) Lecture 5 - Legumes
- Week 6 (Feb 9) Lecture 6 - Starches
(Feb 11) Tutorial 2 - IN-CLASS MIDTERM (5:00-7:00PM AC223) (lectures 1-4)
- Week 7 (Feb 16) NO CLASSES – Reading Week
- Week 8 (Feb 23) Lecture 7 – Beverages
- Week 9 (Mar1) Lecture 8 – Herbs and Spices
- Week 10 (Mar 8) Lecture 9 – Medicinal and Psychotic Plants
(Mar 10) Tutorial 3 -IN-CLASS MIDTERM (5:00-7:00PM AC223) (lectures 5-8)
- Week 11 (Mar 15) –Lecture 10 – Materials (cloth, wood, paper) and Poisonous Plants and Allergies
- Week 12 (Mar 22) Lecture 11 – Feeding the World
- Week 13 (Mar 29) Lecture 12 – Fungi and Algae
(Mar 31) Tutorial 4 - Review

Final Exam Period: Friday April 8 – Friday April 22 (we will have a written final exam scheduled in this period).

The lecture notes and both labeled and some unlabeled diagrams will be posted on blackboard weekly as well as any course information and exam details etc).

Required Reading: each week there will be a short assigned reading, these will be assigned during the lecture.

The chapters in the text that each lecture corresponds to will be given at the time of the lecture and can be found on blackboard (you are responsible for the material covered in lecture and the required readings and figures/charts from the text, other material in the text is there as a resource to help you)

Text (available at the UTSC bookstore)

Required Textbook: **Plants in Society** 7th edition, 2007, McGraw Hill Publishing
Estelle Levetin and Karen McMahon.

Distribution of Marks:

Midterm Examinations (2 x 20%)	40%
Assignment #1	10%
Assignment #2	15%
Final Written Examination	35% (During final exam period)

Both Assignments will be discussed in class. A hard copy will be handed in during class time and a softcopy submitted to turnitin.

Lecture Examinations: the exact format of a particular lecture exam will be announced ahead in class. Lecture exams may include short answer such as multiple choice, fill in the blanks, definitions, matching type questions, labeling diagrams, etc. There may also be short and/or long essay questions. The Final exam may be cumulative, although with slightly less emphasis placed on material from the earlier parts of the course. The final exam will be held during the final exam period.

Missed Exams – students who miss an exam due to medical illness, must submit to Jennifer Campbell, the course coordinator a detailed UTSC Medical Certificate filled out by the physician you saw on the day of the test itself. You MUST contact Jennifer within 48 hours of missing the exam. The date and format of the makeup test will be communicated via email. We will not accept any other medical certificate/note, and if the note is not filled out to our satisfaction, we do reserve the right to refuse it.

The UTSC Medical Certificate can be found here for your convenience:

http://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/~registrar/resources/pdf_general/UTSCmedicalcertificate.pdf

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