



Introduction to Environmental Science (EPCT 1311)
Section 3A1 – Fall 2018
Course Syllabus Class Addendum

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Course Requirements

1. A presentation or report on an environmental subject is a course requirement. The topic must be approved by the instructor. The presentation must be *at least* ten minutes in length. A type-written copy of the presentation must be turned in at the time of the presentation. Please be sure to use a report cover.
2. Participation in class activities/discussions is required.

Assignment Schedule (subject to change with or without notice)

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Week 1	Course Introduction, Syllabus, Presentation Guidelines, and POP's
Week 2	Labor Day Holiday
Week 3	Chapter 1 History and Development, and A History of the EPA
Week 4	Chapter 3 (Part 1), U.S. Legal & Legislative Framework (TSCA)
Week 5	Chapter 3 (Part 2) (PCB's & RCRA)
Week 6	Exam 1 October 1, 2018
Week 7	Chapter 7 Environmental Audits & Site Assessments/ Report Topics Due 10/8/2018

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Week 8	Chapter 8 (Part 1) Hazardous Wastes
Week 9	Chapter 8 (Part 2)
Week 10	Chapter 9 Health & Safety Training for Hazardous Waste Activities
Week	Exam 2 November 5, 2018
Week 12	Chernobyl
Week 13	Chapter 13 Indoor Air Quality & Presentations/Reports Due 11/19/2018
Week 14	Chapter 11 Public Health Issues & Presentations
Week 15	Chapter 14 Global Issues
Week 16	FINAL December 10, 2018

*The order in which topics are covered is subject to change. Tests dates are also subject to change.

Additional Course Policies/Information

1. Coming to class prepared is your ticket into the classroom. ***Being prepared is defined as having the following:*** textbook, notebook, pen/pencil, paper, calculator, and completed assignments (such as study questions).
2. All exams are worth *at least* 100 and possibly more points. Any papers, presentations or special projects are worth 100 points. Late work is unacceptable. Refrain from being absent on test nights. ***There are no makeup tests.*** *Remember, YOU are responsible for anything discussed in class; this includes your text assignments, notes, handouts and lectures.
3. **Policy on Final Grade at Semester's End – *Final grades are non-negotiable.*** The grade you earn equals the grade you receive. No extra credit will be awarded so please don't ask.
4. **Academic Integrity:** It shall be considered a breach of academic integrity (***cheating***) to use or possess on your body any of the following devices during any examination unless it is required for that examination and approved by the instructor: cell phone, smart watch/watch phone, laptop, tablet, electronic communication devices (including optical), and earphones connected to or used as electronic communication devices.

The OSHT Program has a "NO TOLERANCE" policy regarding academic dishonesty. Any student guilty of cheating on tests will be expelled from the OSHT Program.

5. **Attendance.** Perfect attendance means not missing any classes or any portion of a class.
6. It is YOUR responsibility to sign the roll sheet. If you forget then you are ABSENT. **No one else may sign for you.**
7. Class Departure Time – you are required to stay the entire length of each lecture class unless dismissed, as a class, by the instructor.
8. Cell phones, beepers, headphones and any other electronic communication devices **will** be turned off at all times in class – especially on test nights. **Anyone using their cell phone during class time will be required to leave class for the remainder of the class period.**

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Personal Disposition and Behavior in Class – you are now in a higher education environment. The instructor's expectations are that each student will:

- Demonstrate a positive professional demeanor (behavior, attitude, etc.) throughout this course. Keep any negative comments and remarks to yourself.
- Participate in class discussions when appropriate and indicate your desire to ask questions or make comments to the instructor/class by first raising your hand.
- Demonstrate leadership qualities by initiating study groups with fellow classmates, distributing contact information to fellow group members so that others may contact you, being prepared for class by having assignments ready, reading assignments and/or study questions completed ahead of time.
- Give your full and undivided attention to the instructor during class. This means no side conversations, excessive talking in class, no chatting on cell phones or text messaging, loud yawning, gum popping, etc. ***In the case of disruptive behavior, the instructor reserves the right to ask you to leave the classroom. The instructor also reserves the right not to allow you back in the class.**