

**Lees-McRae College**  
**FA20 Final Course Evaluations (MNC)**

**Course:** BIO-441-01-FA20: BIO-441-01  
**Instructor:** Cody Porter \*  
**Response Rate:** 7/12 (58.33 %)

1 - Student Engagement						
I attended class regularly.						
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means	
Strongly Agree	(4)	4	57.14%			3.57
Agree	(3)	3	42.86%			
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%			
Strongly Disagree	(1)	0	0.00%			
Not Applicable	(0)	0	0.00%			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median
7/12 (58.33%)				3.57	0.53	4.00

1 - Student Engagement						
I actively participated in class (discussions, group work, projects).						
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means	
Strongly Agree	(4)	4	57.14%			3.29
Agree	(3)	2	28.57%			
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%			
Strongly Disagree	(1)	1	14.29%			
Not Applicable	(0)	0	0.00%			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median
7/12 (58.33%)				3.29	1.11	4.00

1 - Student Engagement						
I understand the connection and context of how this course informs my future success.						
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means	
Strongly Agree	(4)	5	71.43%			3.71
Agree	(3)	2	28.57%			
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%			
Strongly Disagree	(1)	0	0.00%			
Not Applicable	(0)	0	0.00%			
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2 - In a typical week, I devoted approximately _____ hours outside of class to this course:(Note: Please do not include class or lab time)						
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means	
7 or more hours per week	(4)	2	28.57%			2.57
4-6 hours per week	(3)	1	14.29%			
1-3 hours per week	(2)	3	42.86%			
Less than 1 hour per week	(1)	1	14.29%			
Not Applicable	(0)	0	0.00%			
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3 - Overall, I would rate the level of my engagement in this course as:					
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means
High	(4)	2	28.57%		3.29
Average	(3)	5	71.43%		
Below Average	(2)	0	0.00%		
None	(1)	0	0.00%		
Not Applicable	(0)	0	0.00%		
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4 - Why were you engaged (or not engaged) in this course?	
<b>Response Rate</b>	3/12 (25%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I knew very little about birds coming into the class and was excited to expand upon that.</li> <li>• I absolutely loved the topics we went over.</li> <li>• I found learning about birds fun</li> </ul>	




5 - What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?	
<b>Response Rate</b>	4/12 (33.33%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quizlets will be your saving grace for lab, use them. Also, try to participate in the weekly discussions, they are a lot of fun and it helps connect a lot of other ideas from the class</li> <li>• Practice, practice, practice. Keep an eye out wherever you go and either bring your field guide or download one (or three) for reference. Getting good with binoculars is essential, too. It's frustrating to finally find the bird only for it to fly off.</li> <li>• Study. Study. STUDY.</li> <li>• Study bird calls and identification, the quizzes add up.</li> </ul>	




6 - About the Course					
Course expectations and objectives were clearly stated.					
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6 - About the Course					
Course materials were well prepared, organized, and easily accessible.					
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means
Strongly Agree	(4)	6	85.71%		3.86
Agree	(3)	1	14.29%		
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%		
Strongly Disagree	(1)	0	0.00%		
Not Applicable	(0)	0	0.00%		
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6 - About the Course					
Tests, projects, discussion questions, labs, and learning activities related to the main concepts of the course.					
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Strongly Agree	(4)	6	85.71%		
Agree	(3)	1	14.29%		
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6 - About the Course					
The course was intellectually challenging and advanced my learning.					
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7 - Would you recommend this course? Why or why not?	
<b>Response Rate</b>	4/12 (33.33%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yes! It was a fun class and I learned so much from it.</li> <li>• Yes; the course covers hundreds of species and at the end, I feel like I barely scratched the surface. An excellent course for beginners, but also helps to expand upon more concepts of bird behavior and ecology, so there is a lot to offer for even the more veteran birders.</li> <li>• I would definitely recommend this course to anyone that loves birds.</li> <li>• Yes, learning about birds was a lot of fun. However, it is very challenging to keep a good grade. I am a straight A student and both classes I have been in that Dr. porter taught I had trouble keeping a low B or high C, even though the other classes I took I have A's. The study guides do not help, and in this class they had far too much information than what is on the exam's. This classes exams are primarily essay questions (usually 6) so i would have preferred to be more prepared than I felt the study guide helped me. I understood the topics, I even would get excited after class and discuss what I learned with friends. I understood the topic and even had fun learning about the topic, it was extremely disheartening that the exams did not reflect that. I did well on every assignment and quiz that was given to me, the exams are a butt kicker.</li> </ul>	

8 - About the Instructor					
The instructor demonstrated knowledge of the subject matter.					
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8 - About the Instructor						
The instructor helped students interpret the subject matter and critically think about material.						
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8 - About the Instructor						
The instructor provided meaningful and helpful feedback by answering questions and clarifying concepts/areas of confusion.						
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8 - About the Instructor						
The instructor was available for student-faculty interaction outside of class (office visits, phone calls, and emails).						
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8 - About the Instructor						
The instructor made effective use of class time and was prepared for class.						
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**9 - Would you recommend this instructor? Why or why not?**

**Response Rate** 4/12 (33.33%)

- Dr. Porter is fantastic. I had some personal issues going on throughout the semester and he went out of his way to help me every step of the way. He made sure that we understood the concepts and engaged with the students in a way that made me feel comfortable to participate. I am very happy that LMC has gotten such a wonderful teacher!
- Yes; knowledgeable, approachable and able to explain concepts in an understandable way. Not to mention, his enthusiasm for the material is infectious.
- I definitely would. He is very knowledgeable and understanding.
- Yes. Dr. Porter was very helpful answering questions and helping me learn the subject. I especially enjoyed when we went bird watching for lab. He would respond to emails quickly answering any questions on assignments.

**10 - Did this course have modifications due to Covid-19?(e.g. hybrid course, etc.)**

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Yes	(1)	7	100.00%		1.00		
No	(2)	0	0.00%				
				0 25 50 100	Question		
<b>Response Rate</b>				<b>Mean</b>	<b>STD</b>	<b>Median</b>	
7/12 (58.33%)				1.00	0.00	1.00	

**11 - Did the course modifications affect your ability to complete this course?**

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Yes	(1)	1	14.29%		1.86		
No	(2)	6	85.71%				
				0 25 50 100	Question		
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- I learn better in a class setting rather than watching a computer screen

**12 - Did the modified class environment hinder your learning ability in this course? (e.g. no small groups, online assignments, etc.)**

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Yes	(1)	1	14.29%		1.86		
No	(2)	6	85.71%				
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- I'm better with in person classes, it makes asking questions during a lecture easier.

**13 - Were there modifications that increased your learning ability in this course?**

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Yes	(1)	1	14.29%		1.86		
No	(2)	6	85.71%				
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- I felt more comfortable participating and sharing my thoughts and questions through the chat on virtual classroom

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14 - Overall, do you have any concerns or suggestions about classroom health and safety practices for this course?						
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means	
Yes	(1)	0	0.00%		2.00	
No	(2)	7	100.00%	██████████		
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7/12 (58.33%)			2.00		0.00	2.00