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Marine Biodiversity: a larval perspective BIO 425G

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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)
LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT

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Program: BIO 425G

Department, College: Biological Sciences

Faculty Member: Professor Jonathan Puritz

Date returned to Faculty: September 24, 2018

Librarian Completing Assessment: Michael A. Cerbo II

Collection Management Officer: Professor Joanna Burkhardt

This new 3 credit grand challenge course is titled "Marine biodiversity: a larval perspective" and the Professor expects the students to conduct some research. This will be a major elective in Biological Sciences, and would require junior standing or permission of the instructor.

We are able to add whatever appropriate monographic needs might arise for the instructor. Our monographic holdings in marine biology and environmental sciences are good and any additional materials can be garnered through inter-library loan.

Access to journals in this field meets the needs of the course. Our online indexes and abstracts in marine biology and environmental sciences specifically and the sciences generally should more than meet the demands of this course. In particular, access to reference databases such as ScienceDirect, Web of Science, Environment Abstracts, Biological and Agricultural Index Plus, and the more general Academic Search Complete are available. There are many online journals such as Ecology, Marine Biotechnology, Marine Biology Research, Nature and many others in the field that are also available online through the Library. We are unable to add any new journal titles at this time, however, our current holdings in this field seem sufficient.

Therefore, the librarian believes that the Library can support, bibliographically, the needs of the students to be able to acquire the most out of this course.

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