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Advanced Evolutionary Biology BIO/GEO 472

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LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT

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Program: BIO/GEO 472

Department, College: Biological Sciences

Faculty Member: Professor Steven Irvine

Date returned to Faculty: October 18, 2017

Librarian Completing Assessment: Michael A. Cerbo II

Collection Management Officer: Professor Joanna Burkhardt

This 3 credit course is titled "Advanced Evolutionary Biology" and is cross-listed with Geosciences. The Professor expects the students to conduct some research in the field. It is an undergraduate course that will mirror the graduate level BIO 572.

We are able to add whatever appropriate monographic needs might arise for the instructor. Our monographic holdings in biology, evolutionary theory 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 biology and evolution specifically and the sciences generally should more than meet the demands of this course. In particular, access to reference databases such as ScienceDirect, Scopus, Environment Abstracts, Biological and Agricultural Index Plus, and the more general Academic Search Complete are available. There are many online journals such as Evolution, Journal of Evolutionary Biology, BMC Evolutionary Biology, Molecular Biology & Evolution, and many others in the field that are also available online or in print through the Library. We are unable to add any new journal titles except through a drop/add policy that requires the department to identify a journal title (of equal value) it would like to drop from its serials list to permit the addition of another. 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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Biological Sciences Bibliographer
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