

# 2024 CHANCE Greece Spring Semester

## BIOL 399: Foreign Studies - Conservation Issues Confronting the Mediterranean Sea and Sustainable Solutions Practicum

Class Day	Day/Date/Place (if applicable)	Course Agenda and Assignments
1	Wed Mar 13	<p><b>Introduction &amp; Course Overview:</b> (30 min)</p> <p><b>Ice Breaker Group Activity:</b> What is Biodiversity? What is conservation biology? (30 min)</p> <p><b>Presentation 1 (with Q &amp; A):</b> How to “journal” and review of 1<sup>st</sup> journal prompt (30 min)</p> <p><b>Class Activity &amp; Discussion:</b> How to work effectively in a group. (30 min)</p>
2	Wed Mar 20	<p><b>NO CLASS</b></p> <p><b>Reading Assignment:</b> Chapter 5 – How much is the Biosphere Worth? E.O. Wilson</p> <p><b>Journal Prompt #1 Submission DUE</b></p>
3	Wed Mar 27	<p><b>Class Discussion:</b> Chapter 5 – How much is the Biosphere Worth? E.O. Wilson (60 min)</p> <p><b>Overview and Group Homework Assignment (Part 1):</b> <i>Geneva Environmental Network – Plastics and the Environment</i>. (60 min)</p>
4	Wed Apr 3	<p><b>Student Group Report Out – DRAFT “Mock News Broadcast from Geneva” (Part 2):</b> <i>Geneva Environmental Network – Plastics and the Environment and recommended LINKS section below</i>. (120 min)</p>
5	Wed Apr 10	<p><b>Student Group Report Out – FINAL “Mock News Broadcast from Geneva” (Part 3):</b> <i>Geneva Environmental Network – Plastics and the Environment and recommended LINKS section below</i>. (120 min)</p>
6	Wed April 17	<p><b>NO CLASS</b></p> <p><b>Reading Assignment:</b> Sharma, S., Sharma, V., &amp; Chatterjee, S. (2021). <u>Microplastics in the Mediterranean Sea: sources, pollution intensity, sea health, and regulatory policies</u>. <i>Frontiers in Marine Science</i>, 8, 634934.</p> <p><b>Journal Prompt #2 Submission DUE</b></p>
7	Wed Apr 24	<p><b>Class Discussion:</b> Sharma, S., Sharma, V., &amp; Chatterjee, S. (2021). <u>Microplastics in the Mediterranean Sea: sources, pollution intensity, sea health, and regulatory policies</u>. <i>Frontiers in Marine Science</i>, 8, 634934. (60 min)</p> <p><b>Overview &amp; Logistics (with Q&amp;A):</b> Traveling to Athens, Greece with Penn State CHANCE; review of summer practicum. (60 min)</p>

