

Course LEARNING Objectives as Per PBSC Syllabus

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Environmental Sampling Techniques (EVS2193C)
FINAL PROJECT
Dr. Thornton Fall 2021

This project is designed for you to use all of the information you have learned to develop and analyze a field studies project. Using images taken from field studies when holes were dug at JERFSA Pond (please share your images with each other)

Follow procedure/formatting in Laboratory Research Format, & Research Rubric

DO YOUR BEST

1. Determine the layers/horizons <https://drthorntonscourses.webs.com/pbsc-est-unit-two-soil>. (#1 under Activities)
2. Determine the minerals in the layers (by color) (#2 Activities)
3. Go to Web Soil Survey and Screen shot your areas then determine which soil you have based on depth, thickness, and types of horizons as well as thickness of horizons.
 - two soils from school & one from home
 - repeat the procedure we did together in class

PROJECT SHOULD LOOK LIKE THIS (same format as your course final project):

I. INTRO:

- Description of soil layers (one paragraph) and color (one paragraph).
- What do they mean? What can they tell you?
- CITE APA
- Images can be used along with descriptions

II. METHODS

- SITE DESCRIPTION
 - o Both sites, school and home
 - o Use examples of site descriptions sent on Remind
- Map with locations delineated (just as we did for the pond project)
- How did you determine your soils? Use jargon, NOT personal pronouns
- BE SPECIFIC. Remember this has to be repeatable.

IV. RESULTS

- Images of your soils & Images from Web Soil Survey
 - o Remember to LABEL, NUMBER, and add a BREIF DESCRIPTION with every image, graph, table etc. (refer to Laboratory Research Format for proper format)

V. DISCUSSION

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- Compare and contrast your images with info in your introduction.
- Inform the reader by referring to info in the intro/lit review and the images in your results (SEE EXAMPLES IN LABORATORY RESEARCH FORMAT (LRF) AND HERE:
<https://sites.google.com/palmbeachschools.org/drthorntonjerfsa/home>

VI. CONCLUSION

- Summarize, note limitations, give recommendations for further research
- See (Laboratory Research Format)

VII. BIBLIOGRAPHY

- APA