

Mammalogy



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Dr. Sam Zeveloff has an extensive background in teaching about and studying mammals. He has authored and edited several books on mammals and wilderness issues. He has published articles about raccoons and mountain goats, as well as aspects of mammalian reproduction and evolution. Throughout this course, he hopes to convey his fascination with this remarkable group of animals.

Simply defined, mammalogy is the study of mammals. In this course, special attention is given to their identifying characteristics and evolutionary history. Much of the class is devoted to a detailed exploration of the various mammalian taxa, such as the marsupials, cetaceans, and primates. The laboratories are largely devoted to an extensive look at these groups. We utilize an outstanding collection of mammalian specimens, including the skeletons and study skins of hundreds of species. The students in this course engage in a project that addresses the conservation of a selected mammal species.

Related careers:

Useful for those considering careers in wildlife conservation and management, and environmental education.

Prerequisites:

Zool 1110 and SI 1120, or approval of instructor