WELCOME TO NATS 101, Lec 40 INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL CHANGE



Your Professor:

Dr. Katie Hirschboeck *

Associate Professor of Climatology Laboratory of Tree-Ring Research

*(pronounced: "hersh-beck")

Our class meetings 12:30 - 1:45 pm T TH are held here in ILC 140

Additional learning activities will take place online and outside of the classroom with assistance from your Teaching Team

This is a General Education / Teaching Team Course





THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Your Teaching Team:

Professor: Dr. Katie Hirschboeck

(Laboratory of Tree-Ring Research, LTRR)

Office: 208 West Stadium (yes, the football stadium!)

Graduate Teaching Assistants (GTA's)



Ela Czyzowska



Rebecca Franklin



YOUR GTA's





Adam Csank

and Undergraduate Preceptors







WHAT IS THIS COURSE ALL ABOUT?

SCIENCE & PHYSICAL SCIENCE CONCEPTS

THE EARTH

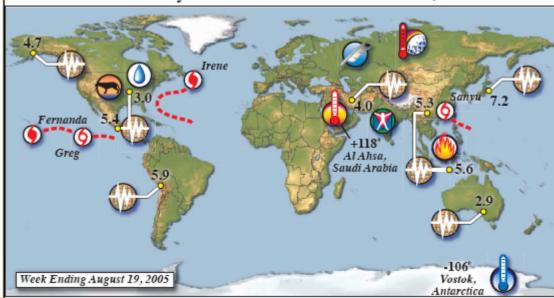
HOW & WHY
GLOBAL CHANGES OCCUR

YOUR ROLE AS A CITIZEN OF OUR PLANET

Why study the Earth System & Global Change?

Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Climate 'Tipping Point'



Climate scientists warned that a vast expanse of western Siberia has begun an unprecedented

thaw, which could cause a "tipping point" in global warming. The area spans nearly 400,000 square miles and is melting for the first time since it formed 11,000 years ago. The discovery, made by Sergei Kirpotin at Tomsk State University in western Siberia and Judith Marquand at Oxford University, was published in New Scientist. The researchers say that as the world's largest frozen peat bog melts, it will release vast quantities of methane, a greenhouse gas 20 times more potent in global warming than carbon dioxide.

Deluge Aftermath



The death toll from waterborne illnesses around India's financial and entertainment hub of

Mumbai (Bombay) reached 251 as the region's health facilities struggled to deal with the aftermath of a week-long monsoon deluge that ended in early August. Officials say that 1,071 people drowned or were crushed by landslides across Maharashtra state during the record cloud-bursts. But poor sanitary conditions combined with lingering pools of water and overflowing rivers have also brought a rash of leptospirosis infections and other waterborne diseases to the disaster zone.

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Borneo Blazes



A huge cloud of smoke from burning forests or Borneo caused a health emergency in parts of

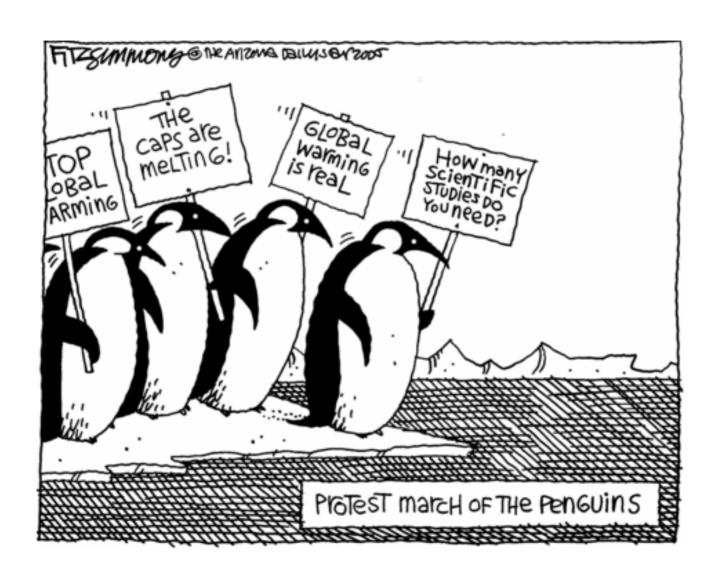
Malaysia, then eventually blew northwestward to Thailand's beach resort of Phuket. The annual pall occurs as farmers, illegal loggers and plantation operators, mainly on the Indonesian side of Borneo, set hundreds of fires to clear land. Once the fires are ignited, underground pear and coal seams often keep smoldering for weeks. Australia said it will send a team of firefighting experts to help combat the blazes, and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations announced it has set up a panel of experts to tackle the smoke pollution

http://www.earthweek.com/

Questions GLOBAL CHANGE SCIENTISTS are asking and studying:

- How and why are these changes occurring?
- Are these changes good or bad for people?
- Can human beings do anything to stop or reverse those changes?
- Or are they part of natural variability that will happen no matter what we do?

THESE ISSUES ARE NOT WITHOUT CONTROVERSY!! We'll address this too!



DOING SCIENCE & BEING A SCIENTIST

BASIC PHYSICAL SCIENCE BACKGROUND:

- The Nature of Matter
- Thermodynamics & Energy
- Electromagnetic Radiation
- Mechanics & Energy

Physics Fundamentals for Understanding Global Change

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Tools of the Global Change Scientist



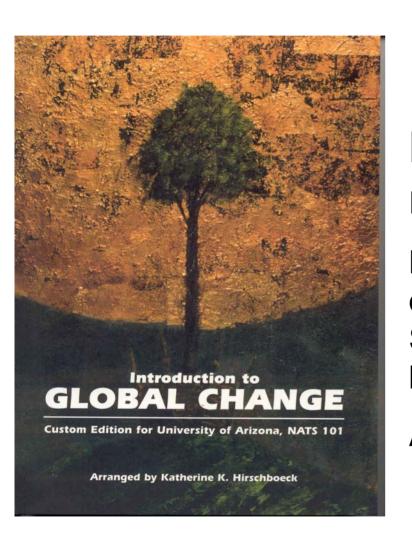
Tying It All Together: Key Global Change Issues

WHAT KIND OF BACKGROUND DO I HAVE TO HAVE?

- CRITICAL READING SKILLS
- WRITING SKILLS
- BASIC MATH & QUANTITATIVE REASONING SKILLS
- HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE
- TEAM WORK SKILLS

Important: regular computer access is REQUIRED for this class!

(Please fill out the yellow background form turn it in before you leave today)



Required TEXTBOOK

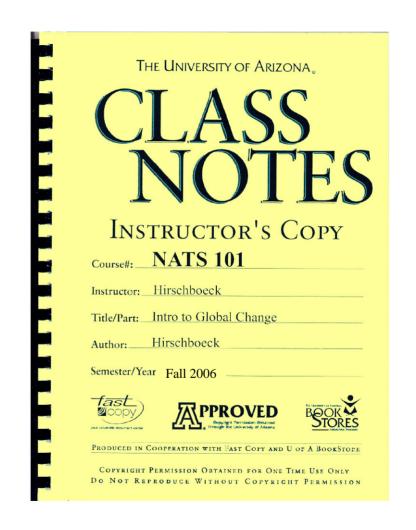
Begin reading Chapter 1 now. . .

NOTE: assigned readings are listed on the Reading Assignments Schedule. Find it in the Syllabus handout & on the course webpage.

Also see the weekly D2L Checklist.

CLASS NOTES
PACKET
available in the
ASUA bookstore.

Should be available by THURSDAY; needed for in-class use every class. Bring it with you to our next class if you can get it by then!



How this class will operate:



Class is divided into ~ 20 collaborative learning groups

Most of you are first-year students & non-science majors

DURING CLASS TIME:

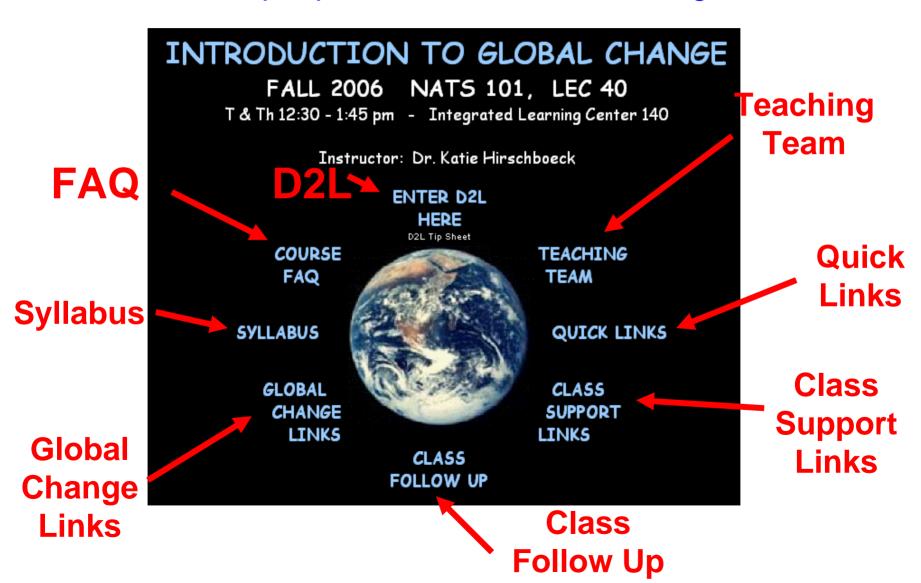
- Lectures
- Learning Aids (videos, demonstrations, etc.)
- In-Class Individual or Group Learning Activities & Assignments
- Tests
- Discussions

Homework / On Your Own:

- Textbook reading & studying
- D2L Online Activities (Self-checks, online Quizzes, Discussion posts, Mail, Chat room, etc.)
- Individual Assignments (some web-based)

NATS 101-GC Website:

http://fp.arizona.edu/kkh/nats101gc/

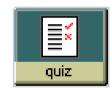


COURSE LOGISTICS: D2L

"Desire To Learn"
D2L is a web-based online
learning environment equipped
with many learning tools & links.

















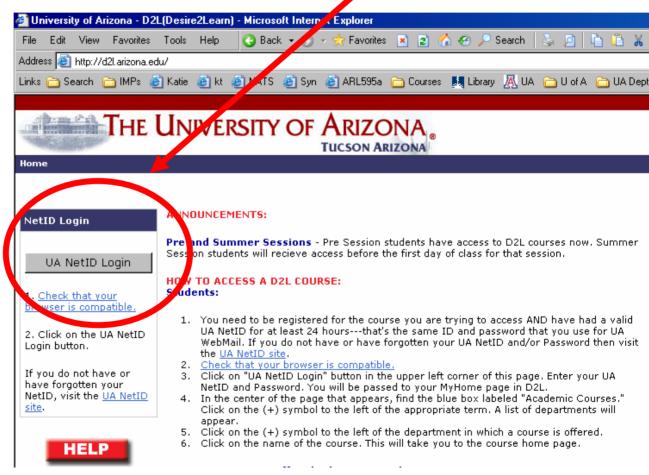




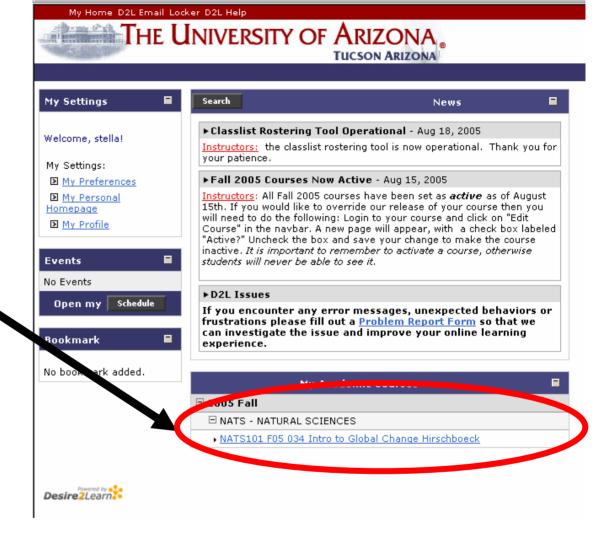
You can get to D2L via our NATS 101-GC WebPage or directly at: http://d2l.arizona.edu/ Then you LOGIN using your UA NetID:



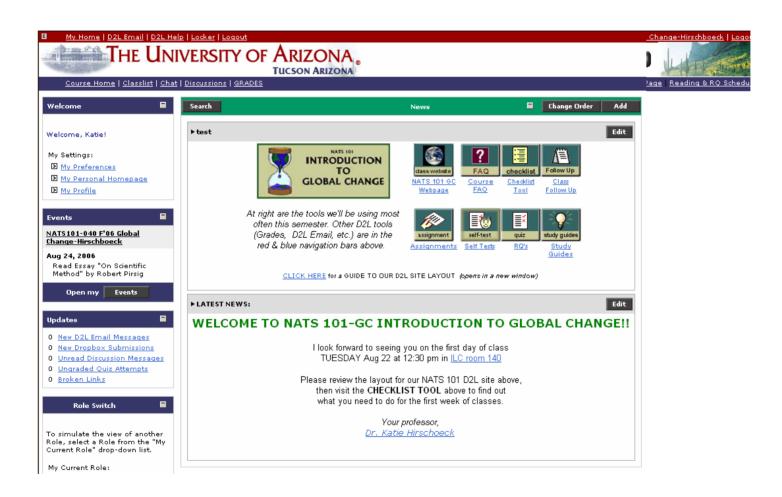
(NOTE: To LOGIN you MUST be registered in the course first!)

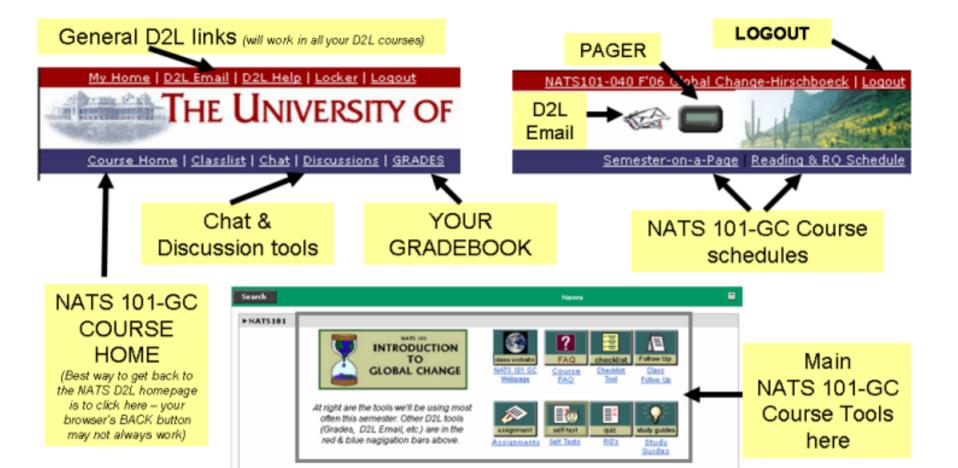


Then click on the course title . . .



.. and you'll arrive at our D2L Homepage!





News & Announcements here

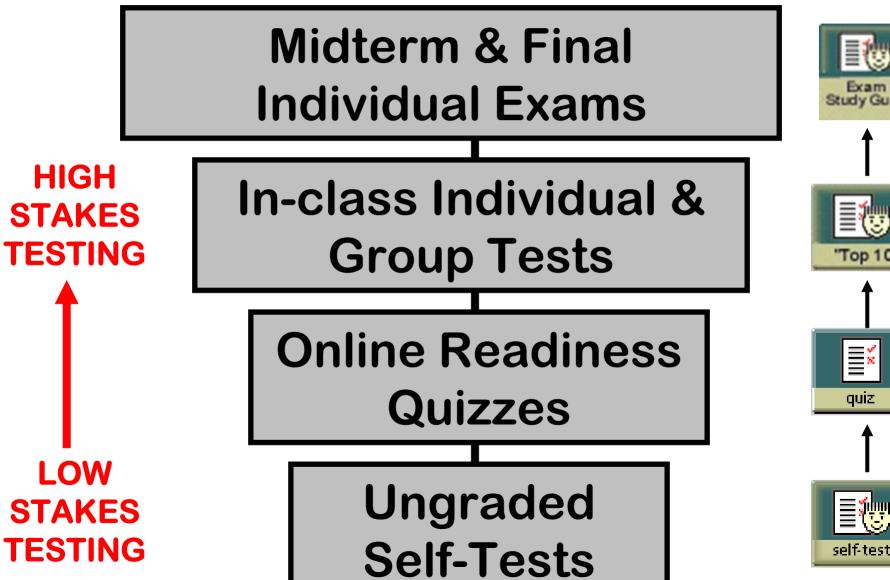
Check this daily for the latest news about the class WELCOME TO NATS 101-GC INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL CHANGE!!

I look forward to seeing you on the first day of class
TUESDAY Aug 22 at 12:30 pm in ILC, rm 140.

Please review the layout for our NATS 101 D2L site,
then visit the CHECKLIST TOOL above to find out
what you need to do to prepare for the first week of classes.

Your professor, Dr. Katie Hirschboeck

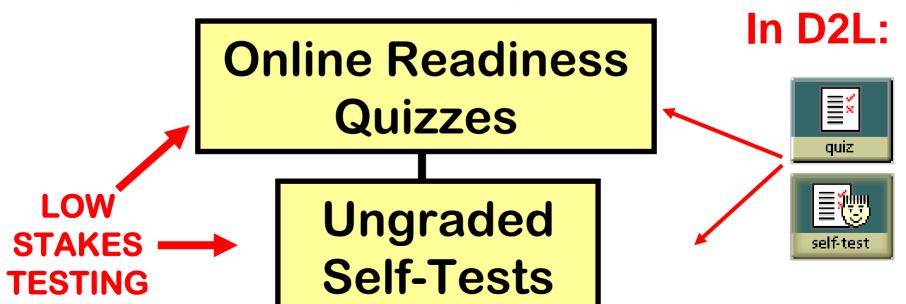
CLICK HERE for a GUIDE TO OUR D2L SITE LAYOUT



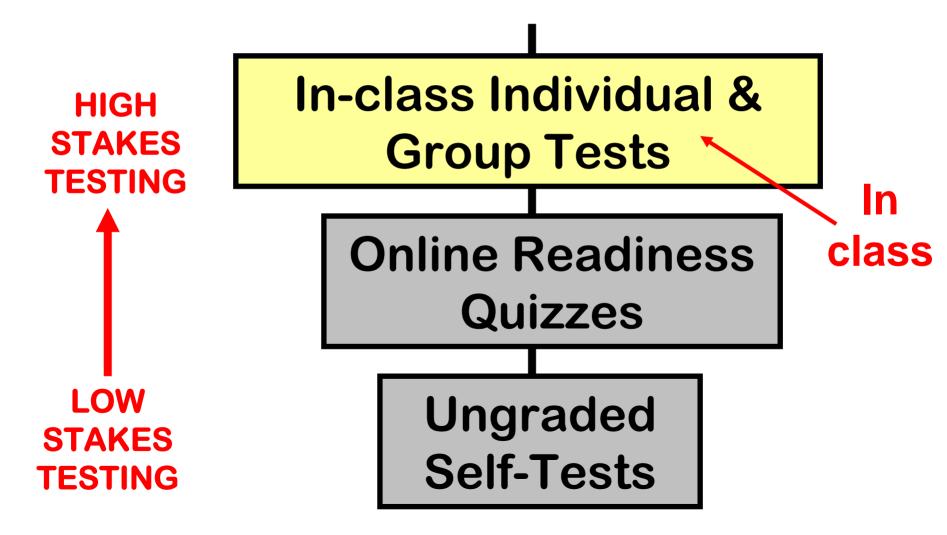


START OUT WITH UNGRADED SELF-TEST & SHORT ONLINE QUIZ

To give you feedback in your reading comprehension, you'll start with "low stakes" online quizzes (0 - 5pts each)



... and then move on to "higher stakes" 25 pt tests on the course material, taken in class:



Individual in-class testing procedure:

These are short, 10-question quizzes that you'll take after we cover a set of topics in class.

Each question is worth 2 pts = 20 pts for the entire Individual Test.

You'll take it as an individual first . . .

After individual test forms are completed and collected, you'll get into your learning group and take the same test as a

group!



You'll find out your Group Test score right after you take it . . .



You'll use IF-AT forms for immediate feedback on your Group Tests & compute your group score yourselves.

Each question is worth .5 pts on the Group Test for a total of 5 pts

Midterm & Final Individual Exams (100-115 pts) HIGH In-class Individual & **STAKES Group Tests** (25 pts) **TESTING** class **Online Readiness** Quizzes (5 pts) Ungraded **STAKES** Self-Tests (0 pts) TESTING

ABOUT ASSIGNMENTS:



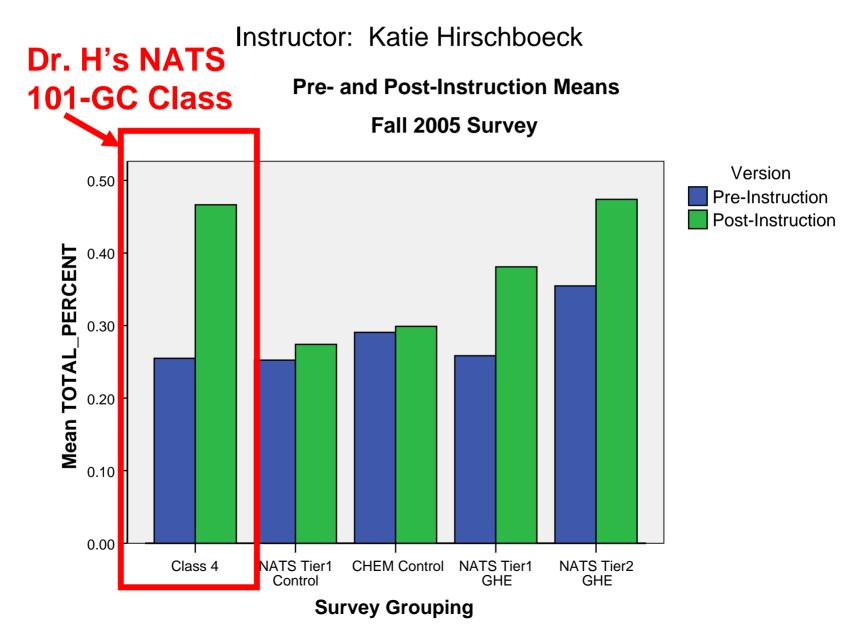
Group (in class assignments)



Individual (homework assignments)

GREENHOUSE EFFECT (GHE) UNDERSTANDING

Class 4 = NATS 101. Sec 34 Fall 2005



NEXT:

About the Teaching Team Program & becoming a Preceptor

(see Syllabus & Nats 101-GC website for additional details on being a Preceptor in this class)



Teaching Teams Program

Putting People Back Into Education

What Does a Teaching Team do for MY class?



 Hands-on projects and activities





- Various Learning
 Opportunities

 (which cater to most learning styles!)
 - Helpful Resources and extra support

Who is on <u>YOUR</u> Teaching Team?

- Instructor
- · TAS
- Preceptors



What is a Preceptor?



 Motivated and responsible student

· Facilitator

·Peer Tutor

·Classroom leader

So, who can be a preceptor?



Why should <u>I</u> Become a Preceptor?

- Personal involvement with your course - YOU can help make it a better course through your input
- · Learn new professional and leadership skills
- · Opportunity to excel in the course !!
- · Get to know your professor & TA's as mentors and future references for applications, jobs, etc.
- · It's FUN!!!!





Preceptor Compensation?

Preceptors receive units of academic credit by enrolling in one of the following courses:

UNVR 197a: Preceptor Training (3 units) (for first-time preceptors)

<u>UNVR 397a: Independent Study Preceptorship</u> (for returning preceptors) (units vary)

OR preceptors can receive HONORS CREDIT in NATS 101 as part of an HONORS CONTRACT...

UNVR 197a TRAINING WORKSHOP:

- Several sections offered at various times
- Sections meet for 2 hours once a week for 9 weeks



Training in Communication Skills, Group Dynamics and Leadership

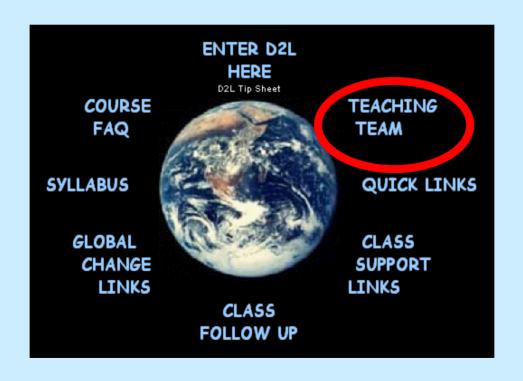
UNVR 397a: Independent Study for Advanced Preceptors

- Gain practical leadership and problem-solving experience
- Learn skills that will help you in all aspects of your life



So, how do I sign -up?

See the PRECEPTOR SECTION under TEACHING TEAM on our NATS 101-GC WEBPAGE:



CLASSROOM RULES & POLICIES



"ARIZONA IDOL"

http://uanews.org/movies/idol.html

Some especially important "Dr. H" CLASSROOM POLICIES

plus, see the online FAQ ("Frequently Asked Questions"):

- 1. Sorry, but no questions can be answered *before* class until teaching equipment is set up & ready to go.
- 2. Questions *after* class will be answered after the equipment has been shut down (best to do this away from the front desk or outside the classroom).
- 3. All electronic devices (esp. cell phones) must be shut off throughout the class period permission granted for special circumstances (see Dr H).
- 4. Refrain from conversations with your classmates during lectures, presentations, videos, etc.
- 5. No food or drink (except in closed containers) in ILC.

Your 1st ASSIGNMENT:

Here are your first assigned tasks:

- 1. Familiarize yourself with our D2L course site.
- 2. Read & study the Syllabus and the online FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) Then take SELF TEST ST-A and Practice Readiness Quiz RQ-A to test your understanding of the course logistics & policies.
- 3. Get your copy of *CLASS NOTES* as soon as you can this week & bring it to class on Thursday if it is available by then. To prepare for Thursday's class, *READ pp 11-16* on Science in CLASS NOTES.
- 4. READ the short essay "On Science" by Robert Pirsig before class on Thursday 8/24 -- available on the NATS 101-GC webpage under QUICK LINKS in a pdf file the PASSWORD is: nats101gc

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

Disability Resource Center (DRC) students & SALT students – make an appointment (via email) in the next two weeks with Dr. H so she can meet you.

Trying to ADD the class?

Interested in picking up Preceptor materials?

See Dr. H after class is dismissed to discuss this.

CLASS DISMISSED ☺



To NATS 101-GC website