

Day 1	Monday, October 5, 2026– Class at Racquet Park
8:30am – 10:00am	Welcome, Course Overview, Introductions, Pre-test: Jessica Paarlberg and Christina Nelson
10:00am- 11:30am	Introduction to Florida Freshwater Systems Presentation with Q&A: Jessica Paarlberg
11:30am - 12:30pm	Lunch on your own
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Forested Wetlands: Larry Figart
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Video with discussion: Florida Swamps
2:30pm - 3:30pm	Interpretation Presentation with Q & A: Beth Strawbridge
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Form Groups for projects

Day 2	Monday, October 12, 2026– AM Class at Racquet Park and PM Lofton Creek Kayak
8:30am – 9:30am	Invertebrates Presentation with Q & A: Christina Nelson
9:30am-10:30am	Video with Q&A: Florida Marshes
10:30-11:30am	Herbaceous Wetlands Presentation with Q&A: Larry Figart
11:30am-12:00pm	Project time
12:00 – 1:30pm	Lunch on your own, travel to Lofton Creek – Melton Nelson Boat Ramp
1:30pm – 4:30pm	Field Trip – Kayak on Lofton Creek

Day 3	Monday, October 19, 2026– Class at Racquet Park
8:30am – 9:30am	Permanent Wetlands Presentation with Q & A: Christina Nelson
9:30am-10:30 am	Video with Discussion: Florida Lakes
10:30am-11:30am	Guest Speaker: TBA
11:30am-12:30pm	Lunch on your own
12:30-1:30pm	Ethics Presentation with Q & A: Jessica Paarlberg
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Video with Discussion: Human Dimensions
2:30pm - 4pm	Mammals Presentation with Q & A and touch table: Christina Nelson and Jessica Paarlberg
4-4:30pm	Project time, wrap-up, questions

Day 4	Monday, October 26, 2026– AM Field trip and PM Class at Cary State Forest
8:30am - Noon	Field Trip at Cary State Forest – Cypress swamp, pitcher plant bog, and more: Jon Johnson
Noon - 1:00pm	Lunch on your own and travel to Cary State Forest Field Office
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Amphibians Presentation with Q&A: Jon Johnson
2:00pm - 3:30pm	Reptiles Presentation with Q&A: Jon Johnson
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Project time, wrap-up, questions

Day 5	Monday, November 2, 2026– Class at Omni Racquet Park
8:30am -10:30am	Interpretive Speaking Presentations : Students
10:30-11:30am	Fish Presentation: <i>Beth Strawbridge</i>
11:30am – 12:30pm	Lunch on your own
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Birds Presentation with Q & A: <i>Christina Nelson</i>
1:30pm - 3:30pm	Birding around Omni: <i>Christina Nelson</i> and <i>Jessica Paarlberg</i>
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Project time, wrap-up, questions, intro to field trip

Day 6	Monday, November 9, 2026 – AM Field Trip and PM Class at Okefenokee Adventures
8:30am – 11:30am	Okefenokee Swamp Boat Tour: Cypress Swamp, pitcher plants, and more
11:30am-12:00pm	Visitor’s Center educational displays
12:00pm-1:00pm	Lunch on your own (purchase available)
1:00pm - 3:00pm	Group Project Presentations
3:00-3:30pm	Post test, Evaluation, Graduation
3:30pm-4:30pm	Wildlife Drive and Boardwalk exploration (option to stay later for sunset)