

HWST 211 : Ethnobotany

Credits: 3

Class Hours: 3 lecture

Recommended: Qualified for ENG 100.

Comments: Cross-listed with BOT 105.

Description: The course focuses on the importance of plants and their influence upon the cultures of Hawai'i and the Pacific. Students learn traditional and contemporary use of cultivated and wild plants.

Semester Offered: Fall, Spring

Designation:

Diversification: Social Sciences – DS

Graduation Requirement: Pacific Cultures – PC

Course Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs):

1. Carry out directed research on the cultural use of specific plants and use the findings to recreate a cultural representation (artifact) using traditional methods.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the science of ethnobotany.
3. Identify, evaluate, and compare the role plants played on other cultures using examples from Hawai'i, the Pacific, and Okinawa. PSLO.LBRT 6 Rubric Demonstrate a sympathetic awareness of the values and beliefs of their own and other cultures; explain the historical dimensions of contemporary affairs and issues; analyze the interactive roles that social, religious, artistic, political, economic, scientific, and technological forces play in society; and engage responsibly in their roles as citizens with issues affecting themselves, their families, their communities, and the world.
4. Identify and evaluate the role plants played in Hawaiian culture.