

**Information for Participants**  
**Know Your Grasses Workshop June 12-14, 2013**

**Location:**

Room 246, Hitchcock Hall,  
University of Washington Campus  
Campus Map (type Hitchcock Hall in search): <http://www.washington.edu/maps/>

**Parking:** There are many parking options.

Free Parking:

We recommend free parking if you don't mind a 15-20 minute walk. You can find parking along NE Northlake Way (west of Ivars). It's then, just a short walk east along NE Northlake Way to NE Pacific and Hitchcock Hall (corner NE Pacific and 15th Ave. NE)

Pay Parking:

The Daily parking fee is \$15.00/day between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. The night parking rate begins at 5 p.m. and is \$5.00/night.

**On campus garage parking options:**

Triangle Parking Garage: entrance off NE Pacific Place (near NE Pacific St.)

Central Plaza Parking: entrance off 15th Ave NE (near NE 41st)

Portage Bay Parking: 15th Ave NE and NE Pacific

**E1 Parking North of Husky Stadium** will be even less expensive and you can access the Burke Gilman Trail to walk or bicycle to Hitchcock Hall.

For more parking information and maps:

<http://www.washington.edu/facilities/transportation/commuterservices/parking/lots>

**Itinerary in Brief:**

**Wednesday, June 12**

9:00am Introduction to the Grass Family and the Grass Language (morphology/terminology)

12:00pm Lunch (bring your own lunch)

12:30pm Group examination of fresh plant material

3:00pm Break

3:30pm Grass keying

5:00pm Break for dinner

7:00-10:00pm Optional keying session in lab for anyone interested.

**Thursday, June 13**

8:00am The Remarkable Evolution and Adaptability of Grass

9:00am Depart to field sites

5:00pm Return to UW

7:00-10:00pm Optional keying session in lab for anyone interested.

**Friday, June 14**

8:00am Regional Perspectives on Grass Ecology (invasiveness, habitat conservation; rarity)

9:00am More grass keying

12:00pm Lunch and Wrap-up

1:00pm End

## **Workshop Materials:**

Required textbook: Hitchcock, C.L. and A. Cronquist. 1973. *Flora of the Pacific Northwest*. University of Washington Press, Seattle. ISBN: 0295952733. **(Required)** – *please note the lab has 24 copies of this book for in-class use if you do not wish to buy it.*

Clark, Lynn G. (Editor), Richard W. Pohl (Editor), and Pamela W. Henson. 1996. *Agnes Chase's First Book of Grasses: The Structure of Grasses Explained for Beginners*. Paperback, 4th edition. Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington D.C. ISBN: 1560986565. **(Required)**

Instructor's handouts, including "Grass Identification in the Puget Trough Lowland" **(Provided)**

Other items to bring:

Pressed and/or fresh grass specimens from where you work and play

10X hand lens

cutting instrument (e.g., knife, scalpel, safety razor-blades), dissecting needle, and fine-pointed (i.e., watchmaker's) forceps

15 cm ruler

Notebook and writing instruments

Appropriate "all weather" field gear

Sack lunches

Extra hand lenses, forceps, and dissecting microscopes will be available in the classroom lab

Optional references for participants to bring; at least one copy will be available at workshop:

*Flora of North America: Poaceae*. Volumes 24 (Part 1, 2007) and 25 (Part 2, 2005). (Optional: copies available at workshop). Most of the content is available on the Internet (*Grass Manual for the Web*)

## **Questions:**

If you have any other questions about the itinerary, need campus directions, or have other concerns/expectations contact David Giblin, [dgiblin@u.washington.edu](mailto:dgiblin@u.washington.edu) or Clay Antieau, [clay39@netzero.net](mailto:clay39@netzero.net), 206-233-3711

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