



University of Illinois Extension

Fulton, Mason, Peoria, and Tazewell Counties

Naturalist Core Education Training 2023



Date	Location	Time	Topic	Notes
Monday – Oct 2	Wildlife Prairie Park	9am – 3pm	Intro to the Master Naturalist Prog – 1 Mammology – 9 Herpetology – 10 Entomology – 12	Extension Staff Dennis Johnson DJ & Bryant Brumbill Louise/Patricia
Tuesday – Oct 3	Tawny Oaks, Singing Woods – PPD	9am – 3pm	Ornithology – 8 Prairies – 3 Forest of Illinois – 4	Mike Miller – All Day
Wednesday – Oct 4	Illinois River Biological Station Forbes Biological Station Jake Wolfe Memorial Fish Hatchery	9-10:15am 10:30-11:45am 12:30-3pm	Flowing Waters IL Streams & Rivers – 18 Waterfowl Fish	IRBS Staff Auriel Fournier Frank Sladek
Thursday – Oct 5	Emiquon/UIS – Therkildsen Dickson Mounds Museum	9am – 1pm 1-3pm	Wetlands & Aquatics – 5 Archology & Anthropology – 16	Randy Smith/Marie Lemke/ Thomas Rothfus Ashley
Friday – Oct 6	Rocky Glen – PPD Forest Park Nature Center	9am – noon 12:30-3pm	Geology – 13 Environmental Ethics & Philosophy – 15	Ed Stermer ICC Nicole Flowers-Kimmerle
Tuesday – Oct 17	Mason State Tree Nursery	9am – noon	GivePulse/Volunteer paperwork Volunteer work	Christine/Nicole Dave Horvath/Holly Frainer

Key - Foundation Chapters Ecosystem Chapters Ologies Chapters Supplemental Chapters

Each day of class these 4 topics will be covered.

Botany – 11

Soils of Illinois – 14

Illinois Natural Divisions – 19

Climate & Weather – 17

Training session location addresses and directions:

Monday – 10/2/2023 – Wildlife Prairie Park, 3826 N Taylor Rd, Hanna City, IL 61536, phone (309) 676-0998

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/mqvt29vZE5SxLzP57>

Tuesday – 10/3/2023 – Tawny Oak Field Station, Singing Woods Nature Preserve, 715 W Singing Woods Rd, Edelstein, IL 61526, (309) 418-7051

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/NLc16xDuj1q>

Wednesday – 10/4/2023 – (9-10:15am) Illinois River Biological Station, 704 N Schrader St, Havana, IL 62644, (309) 543-6000

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/h5NhaYsW5EuKdAZs5>

Wednesday – 10/4/2023 – (10:30-11:45am) Forbes Biological Station, 20003 N CR 1770E, Havana, IL 62644, (217) 332-3825

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/gpNzScbpyHq3KhUg8>

Wednesday – 10/4/2023 – (noon-3pm) Jake Wolfe Memorial Fish Hatchery, 25410 Fish Hatchery Rd, Topeka, IL 61567, phone (309) 968-7531

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/UGcu2R51ECxSvvUx9>

Thursday – 10/5/2023 – The Nature Conservancy Emiquon, 11304 North Prairie Road, Lewistown, IL 61542, phone (309) 547-2730

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/dM5mrcS2gpm>

Thursday – 10/5/2023 – Dickson Mounds Museum - 10956 N Dickson Mounds Rd, Lewistown, IL 61542, phone (309) 547-3721

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/tCfe2vPqVmC2>

Friday – 10/6/2023 – (9-noon) Rocky Glen, 525 N Kickapoo Creek Rd, Peoria, IL 61604

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/1pc66WJhvKzXcJUK7>

Friday – 10/6/2023 – (12:30-3pm) Forest Park Nature Center, 5809 N Forest Park Dr, Peoria Heights, IL 61616, phone (309) 686-3360

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/qTLk2opfAXQ2>

Tuesday – 10/17/2023 – Mason State Tree Nursery, 17855 N Co Rd 2400 E, Topeka, IL 61567, phone (309) 535-2185

Google maps link <https://goo.gl/maps/27VE1c3SFpwREm3G9>

Important Notes:

- Bring a water container or traveling mug.
- Dress for the weather because a little rain and cool weather will not keep us in. Only severe weather will stop us from going outside.
- Wear sturdy shoes or boots, something you will not mind getting wet or muddy. Not all terrain is level, if you have a walking stick you may also want to bring that.
- I suggest wearing a hat or bandana while we are on hikes or in the sun. I do have sunscreen and insect repellent available, but you may also want to bring your own.
- Bring a sack lunch & a chair. We will take a lunch break around 12 noon to 12:30 most days.
- Days are shortened to allow time for digital learning.

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