

FES 100 – Introduction to Forest Biology
Study Strategies

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What students found most useful in preparing for exam #2 on photosynthesis, respiration, DNA replication, transcription/translation, meiosis, genetic inheritance.

Exam Score	>80% (n=11)	<60% (n=15)
# hrs for studying	5.5	7.3
Practice on old test questions	27%	0%
Use study groups	64%	27%
Watch lecture recordings	18%	40%
Review notes	27%	27%

New Strategies for FES 100 Instruction

- 1) For students with a current lecture grade of <70%
 - a) Turn in notes after discussing topic
 - b) Include list of possible test questions that cover all information on topic
- 2) Lecture questions
 - a) Email questions ahead of time
 - b) Turn-in response prior to class period
 - i) Answer question
 - ii) OR
 - iii) State what needs better explanation
 - c) Make class periods more like study group sessions – use full period to discuss and practice answering questions.
- 3) Study Groups
 - a) Send email message if you have a study group (indicate names)
 - b) Send email message if you want to join a group