

Ornithology. Wild Birds: Wild Birds & Human Interactions: Exploring Connections Across Conservation, Culinary Traditions, Public Health, & Art

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Week One: July 5 – 11, 2026

Schedule: Monday - Friday, 9-12 and 1:30-3:30, except Wednesday afternoon.

Location: College of Veterinary Medicine, Green Room S2-223, Cornell Arboretum, Cornell Lab of Ornithology with some field work

Resource list

<https://merlin.allaboutbirds.org/> Please download this app on your phone.

Things to bring to class list:

Fieldwork in summer can be amazing but also tough, so dressing smart is key. Here's a practical guide on how to dress for comfort, safety, and efficiency when doing fieldwork in hot weather:

- Lightweight, long-sleeve shirt (breathable, for sun + bug protection)
- Lightweight, long pants (to protect from ticks!)
- A hat or cap
- Sneakers
- Moisture-wicking socks (synthetic or merino wool—no cotton!)
- Insect repellent (especially for mosquitoes and ticks)
- Sunscreen (SPF 30+, non-greasy so it won't smudge optics)
- Binocular if you have one (We have some to share.)
- Small towel or cooling cloth (great for hot, humid days)
- Reusable water bottle & snacks!