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FOREST ECOSYSTEM PROCESSES (FOR 532)

Fall 2000

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Text: Forest Ecosystems: Analysis at Multiple Scales (1998), by R.H.Waring and S.W.Running

<u>CLASS SESSION</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>PAGES</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
1	1		Ecosystem analysis principles
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			Ecosystem Analysis Principles
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15	6		Abiotic ecosystem disturbances
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18			Climate principles, MT-CLIM model
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21	8		Regional biology
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23	8		Regional biogeochemistry
24	9		Global forest distribution
25	9		Global carbon cycle
26	9		Biodiversity and sustainability
27-Final			Present class projects, models

CLASSWORK RESPONSIBILITIES (this is what your grade is based on)

1] a copy of our new multi-biome BIOME-BGC ecosystem model and MT-CLIM mountain micro-climate model, will be furnished to you. We will do exercises with them on PCs and bring the graphed results to class for discussion throughout the semester.

2] To develop your own skills in systems analysis, I want each student to try a first conceptual layout of an ecosystem analysis problem of their choice, with logic flowchart, key cause-effect linkages and references. This class project will be the basis for our "final", as each student will present their project to the class verbally, and in written form to me.