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## BIO 318 - S15 – 6 responses from class of 11 students.

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#### Course Sections

**A** BIO 318 (1): Invertebrate Zoology

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#### Comments

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- Really great teacher.
  - This was the best course that I've taken while at UNCW. Although extremely difficult, I have never learned as much material related to my major in any other class. Dr. Pawlik is so knowledgeable about Invertebrate Zoology and his love for this course is infectious. All Marine Biology majors should take it!
  - Dr. Pawlik is amazing! His head contains more knowledge than ten textbooks combined and he makes you want to know as much as he does someday. He will turn you from a student into a scientist!
  - This is one of my favorite courses I have taken at UNCW. I love the setup of the class (especially the lab). The only thing I would change or add is possibly consider providing a study guide before exams....I found it hard at times to predict broader concepts on the exams such as specific comparison. For example: comparing movement in spiders and other arthropods. Not everyone can gain access to old exams and may fall short because of this disadvantage not because of lack of effort.
  - Dr. Pawlik is a very good instructor. The enormous amount of information taught in this course is only made manageable by the great organization of the course.
  - Dr. Pawlik is an excellent and brilliant professor, and is one of the best professors I have taken. The course information is also very interesting. This class was by far one of the most difficult courses I have ever taken, but only because of the immense amount of memorization needed for the exams and lab practicals. I feel that the course helped me learn how to study more efficiently, and I have a more factual understanding of invertebrates. I do not feel, however, that this class has helped me progress in terms of developing applicable skills for a career in marine sciences, other than pure memorization for exams. Overall, I would highly recommend the course to anyone interested in acquiring factual knowledge of invertebrates, or to anyone that has a photographic memory. I would not recommend the course to anyone interested in acquiring applicable skill sets for a career in the natural sciences, such as writing, researching, or public speaking. I also would not recommend taking this course if you have a busy schedule and would not be able to devote an enormous amount of time to studying for the exams and lab practicals.

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