FGCU wetlands center provides systems ecology short course by distinguished Danish professor for FGCU graduate students and professors/researchers from other universities

The Everglades Wetland Research Park, a new center at Florida Gulf Coast University’s Kapnick Center in Naples, hosted 18 participants, including graduate students, research staff and professors from 4 states and 5 universities, in a 3-day short course Systems Ecology at the Kapnick Center at Naples Botanical Garden on Thursday through Saturday January 31, February 1-2, 2013. Eight of the 18 students were FGCU graduate students taking the class as a 2-credit-hour course. This course, with most of the lectures by Professor Sven Erik Jørgensen, Professor Emeritus, Copenhagen University, Denmark, introduced the basics of systems ecology from Jøegensen’s 40 years of experience in the subject, to the participants. The students also developed ecological models using the software STELLA from scratch and presented at the end of the course on Saturday February 2. Professor Bill Mitsch, Director of the Everglades Wetland Research Park and Dr. Li Zhang, the Assistant Director of the EWRP, assisted with instruction of the course.

Students and instructors of Systems Ecology short course held January 31, February 1-2, 2013 at FGCU’s Everglades Wetland Research Park at the Kapnick Center in Naples Florida

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