

Pennsylvania Master Naturalist Training Course
FALL SCHEDULE 2020 – Subject to Change
Outdoor Discovery Center, Crooked Creek (ACCL)

Class/Field Trip # & Day	Date	Proposed Topic	Location	Instructor	Time
Class 1 Wednesday	8/12	PA Master Naturalist Program Introduction; Ecoregions of PA; What is a Naturalist	ODC	Maeve Rafferty, Program Coordinator, PA Master Naturalist	6-8:30 PM
Class 2 Wednesday	8/19	PA Geology, Soils, Weather & Climate	ODC	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Field Trip 1 Saturday	8/22	Introduction to Field Geology	TBD	TBD	Tentatively 9 AM – 3 PM
Class 3 Wednesday	8/26	Introduction to Ecological Concepts; Bio Classification & Naming; Intro to Evolution	ACCL	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Class 4 Wednesday	9/2	Water in the Landscape — Watersheds; Wetland Communities	ODC	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Class 5 Wednesday	9/9	Introduction to Upland Communities; Intro to Capstone Projects (Project Planning Assignment)	ODC	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Field Trip 2 Saturday	9/12	Aquatic and Upland Communities	TBD	TBD	9 AM- 4 PM
Class 6 Wednesday	9/16	Introduction to Ornithology and Mammalogy	ODC	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Class 7 Wednesday	9/23	Introduction to Herpetology and Entomology	ACCL	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Field Trip 3 Saturday	9/26	Field Ornithology, Herpetology, Mammalogy, and Entomology	ODC/ Crooked Creek	TBD	8 AM – 3 PM
Class 8 Wednesday	9/30	Interpretation and Field Instruction; Teaching to diverse audiences	ODC	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Class 9 Wednesday	10/7	Volunteer Opportunities	ODC	Various	6-8:30 PM
Field Trip 4 Saturday	10/10	Restoration & Conservation Projects	TBD	TBD (off-site)	9 AM – 3 PM
Class 10 Wednesday	10/14	Suburban and Urban Ecology	ACCL	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Class 11 Wednesday	10/21	Student Presentations	ACCL	TBD	6-8:30 PM
Class 12 Wednesday	10/28	Being a PA Master Naturalist (Next Steps); Post-assessment & Evaluation	ACCL	Maeve Rafferty	6-9:00 PM