

MBSS SUMMER TRAINING 2025 AGENDA

Day 1: May 27, 2025

Physical Habitat Assessment Certification presentation and exam
Fish Crew Leader Certification presentation and exam

7:30 – 8:30 am	Check In / Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45 am	MBSS training overview
8:45 – 10:00 am	Physical habitat assessment protocol presentation ¹
10:00 – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 – 11:30 pm	Field demonstration of physical habitat assessment protocols ¹
11:30 – 12:00	Physical habitat assessment certification written exam ¹
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 – 2:30 pm	Fish sampling protocol presentation ²
2:30 – 2:45	Break
2:45 – 4:00 pm	Field demonstration of fish sampling protocols ²
4:00 – 5:00	Field crew leader certification written exam ²
5:00 pm	Adjourn

Day 2: May 28, 2025

Herpetofauna, mussel, crayfish, and fish taxonomy presentations
Open taxonomy review – Specimen room access available throughout day; experts on hand

7:30 – 8:30 am	Check In/ Breakfast
8:30 – 9:30 am	Mussel taxonomy presentation
9:30 – 9:45 am	Break
9:45 – 10:45 am	Crayfish taxonomy presentation
10:45 – 11:00 am	Break
11:00 – 12:00	Fish taxonomy presentation
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 – 2:00 pm	Fish taxonomy presentation (continued)
2:00 – 2:15 pm	Break
2:15 – 3:45 pm	Reptile and Amphibian taxonomy presentation
5:00 pm	Adjourn

Day 3: May 29, 2025

Herpetofauna, crayfish and mussel taxonomy exams

Open taxonomy review – Specimen room access available throughout day (except during exams); experts on hand

7:30 – 8:30 am	Check In/ Breakfast
8:30 – 10:30 am	Taxonomy review and exam setup
10:30 – 12:00	Mussel taxonomy exam ³
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 – 2:30 pm	Crayfish taxonomy exam
2:30 – 3:00 pm	Break
3:00 – 4:30 pm	Herpetofauna taxonomy exam
5:00 pm	Adjourn

Day 4: May 30, 2025

Fish taxonomy exam

MBSS Fish Taxonomy Certification overview

Open taxonomy review – Fish specimen room access available until 9:45 am

7:30 – 8:30 am	Check In/ Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45 am	Fish Taxonomy Certification overview
10:00 – 12:00	Fish taxonomy exam ⁴
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 – 2:15 pm	Closing remarks and fish exam review
2:30 pm	Adjourn

¹ Required for Physical Habitat Assessment certification.

² Required for Fish Crew Leader certification.

³ Required for Mussel Taxonomy certification.

⁴ Required for Fish Taxonomy certification.