

## Fall 2026 Syllabus

Jones Auditorium, 123 Huntington Street, New Haven, 06511

| DATE                            | TITLE                                                                                                                                                                                        | INSTRUCTOR                               |
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| <b>Thursday</b><br>Sep 3, 2026  | Tree Biology<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 2 of Pirone's Tree Maintenance</i>                                                                                                                     | Mr. Chris Donnelly                       |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Sep 10, 2026 | Tree – Soil Relationship<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 3 &amp; 6. Pirone's Tree Maintenance</i><br>Read: <i>ISA BMPs –Soil Management for Urban Trees &amp; Root Management</i>                   | Mr. Michael Almstead                     |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Sep 17, 2026 | Tree Identification<br><i>A Field Guide to Trees and Shrubs</i> (or similar guide)                                                                                                           | Mr. Doug Pistawka                        |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Sep 24, 2026 | Non-Parasitic Conditions of Trees<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 10, Pirone's Tree Maintenance</i>                                                                                                 | Mr. Dan Dalton                           |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Oct 1, 2026  | Insects That Feed on Trees<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 11 Pirone's Tree Maintenance</i>                                                                                                         | Dr. Claire Rutledge                      |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Oct 8, 2026  | Diseases of Trees<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 12 Pirone's Tree Maintenance:</i><br>Read: <i>Disease Guide</i> (Dr. Douglas's book)                                                              | Dr. Yonghao Li                           |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Oct 15, 2026 | <b>Tree Conditions Lab</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | Several Instructors                      |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Oct 29, 2026 | Integrated Pest Management – An Introduction<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 9 &amp; 13 Pirone's Tree Maintenance</i><br>Read: <i>ISA BMPs – Integrated Pest Management &amp; Tree Injections</i>   | Mr. Chris Donnelly<br>Mr. Pat Taylor     |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Nov 5, 2026  | Tree Law, Tree Regulations and Pesticide Safety<br>Read: <i>Pesticide Applicator Training Manual</i>                                                                                         | Ms. Amanda Varhol<br>Dr. Srikanth Kodati |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Nov 12, 2026 | Pruning, Cabling, and Bracing<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 7 &amp; 8, Pirone's Tree Maintenance</i><br>Read: <i>ANSI A300 (Parts 5 &amp; 7) with BMPs for Pruning &amp; Tree Support Systems</i> | Mr. Charlie Iselin                       |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Nov 19, 2026 | Safety Requirements Relating to Tree Maintenance<br>Read: <i>ANSI Z133.1 (if available)</i>                                                                                                  | Mr. Emmett Shutts                        |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>Dec 3, 2026  | Implementing an IPM Program<br>Suggested: <i>Chapter 9 &amp; 13 Pirone's Tree Maintenance</i>                                                                                                | Mr. Chris Teter                          |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>Dec 9, 2026 | <b>Review Night</b><br><i>Scenarios and Questions from Instructors</i>                                                                                                                       | All Available Instructors                |