Question: Undergraduate bio majors all over the nation must take a course in general ecology as part of their major requirements. It seems clear why students who are interested in getting a job involving nature should take a course like Biology 203, Principles of Ecology. Why should those students who consider themselves “pre-med” take such a course? What value is there in studying ecology for these folks? You should probably draw upon both your text and lectures (despite the fact that relatively few undergraduates in general take my specific course). [This isn’t a question about why students should take my course.]