#### NRM 70 Course Outline as of Fall 2019

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: NRM 70 Title: FOREST MGMT AND ASSESS

Full Title: Forest Management and Assessment

Last Reviewed: 9/24/2018

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	4.00	Lab Scheduled	3.00	6	Lab Scheduled	52.50
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	6.00		Contact Total	105.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 210.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: FOR 70

### **Catalog Description:**

Applied forestry as related to forest stand improvement, harvest methods, fire control, disease, damage, insects, manufacturing and management of forested lands. Quantity, and quality, and other forest resources, including water, range, wildlife, and outdoor recreation, carbon storage and fuel loading. Field trips are mandatory.

### **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

### **Recommended Preparation:**

Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU:

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# **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

**AS Degree:** Effective: Inactive: Area **CSU GE: Transfer Area** Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Inactive: Effective:

**CSU Transfer:** Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: **Inactive:** 

CID:

# Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

## **COURSE CONTENT**

## **Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Evaluate and apply procedures in timber stand thinning and harvesting.
- 2. Evaluate other forest attributes on the site including water, range, recreational use, wildlife carbon storage and wildfire risk.
- 3. Evaluate diseases and insect damage and how to control them.
- 4. Apply forest measurement skills.

### **Objectives:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Discuss the objectives and goals of a forest inventory project.
- 2. Analyze data on the growth and yield of forest products over time.
- 3. Apply procedures in timber stand thinning.
- 4. Apply harvesting planning and how it relates to forestry using appropriate measuring tools.

### **Topics and Scope:**

- I. Disease, Damage and Insects
  - A. Causes, costs, general solutions
  - B. Disease identification
- C. Types of damage II. Timber Stand Improvement

  - A. Stand survey
    B. Stand selection
  - C. Stand removal
- III. Harvesting
  - A. Planning, requirements for harvesting
  - B. Effects of harvesting upon recreation and silviculture

#### IV. Other Forest Measurements

- A. Wood products
- B. By-products
- C. Water
- D. Range
- E. Wildlife
- F. Recreation
- G. Soils
- H. Fisheries
- I. Fuel loading
- J. Carbon storage

All topics are covered in the lecture and lab portions of the course.

### **Assignment:**

Lecture-Related Assignments:

- 1. Reading assignments that will average 10 15 pages per week
- 2. Two timber inventory reports totaling ten pages
- 3. Quizzes (6); midterm and final exam

### Lab-Related Assignments:

- 1. Laboratory exercises: field trips emphasizing the collection, examination, and evaluation of field data
- 2. Prepare simple and accurate maps from field data

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Timber inventory reports

Writing 20 - 30%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework problems, field work, field notebook; lab exercises

Problem solving 20 - 30%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Lab exercises, field trips, prepare maps from field data

Skill Demonstrations 20 - 30%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes, midterm and final exam: completion, short essay questions

Exams 30 - 40%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and participation

Other Category 0 - 10%

## **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

Forest Mensuration. 5th ed. Husch, Bertram, et al. Wiley Blackwell. 2017 Introduction to Forests and Renewable Resources. 8th ed. Sharpe, Grant, et al. Waveland Press Inc. 2012 (classic)

A Landowner's Guide to Managing Your Woods: How to Maintain a Small Acreage for Long-Term Health, Biodiversity, and High-Quality Timber Production. 1st ed. Hansen, Sverson, et al. Storey Publishing, LLC. 2011. (classic)

Instructor prepared materials