AGRI 56 Course Outline as of Fall 2024

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: AGRI 56 Title: AG ENTERPRISE PROJECT

Full Title: Agricultural Enterprise Project

Last Reviewed: 2/12/2024

Units		Course Hours per Wee	k]	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	1.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	17.50
Minimum	2.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	9.00		Contact DHR	157.50
		Contact Total	10.00		Contact Total	175.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 35.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 210.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: P/NP Only

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

Also Listed As:

Formerly: AG 56

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion or Current Enrollment in any of the following courses: AGRI 20, AGRI 60, ANSCI 20, EQSCI 25, NRM 60, NRM 70, VIT 51, or WINE 3

Recommended Preparation:

Limits on Enrollment:

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Schedule of Classes Information:

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Transfer Credit: CSU;

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

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

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Spring 2003 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. Select a specific agricultural/forestry crop, commodity, or product and develop an enterprise project using the resources at Shone Farm or other locations (with instructor's approval).
- 2. Apply production and management techniques, and marketing methods resulting in an eventual sale of the chosen agricultural/forestry crop, commodity, or product.

Objectives:

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

- 1. Investigate the feasibility of producing and marketing a specific agricultural/forestry crop, commodity, or product.
- 2. Calculate facilities needed and square footage required for production.
- 3. Operate appropriate tools and equipment safely and correctly.
- 4. Develop production methods for a particular crop, commodity, or product.
- 5. Manage production through the life cycle of the individual crop, commodity, or product.
- 6. Compile accurate records of all related processes and expenses.
- 7. Develop a marketing plan for the production and sale of crop or commodity.
- 8. Prepare a statement of income and expenses for an agricultural/forestry enterprise.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Scope of Project
 - A. Crop/commodity/product selection
 - B. Business plan
 - C. Budget
 - D. Facility needs
- II. Project Implementation
 - A. Purchasing supplies
 - B. Growing/raising/producing the crop/commodity/product
 - C. Maintenance & care or cultivation
 - D. Marketing and closing of sale
- III. Final Analysis
 - A. Income and expense statement
 - B. Comparison of budget and operating statements
 - C. Project analysis
 - 1. Reasons for changes
 - 2. Reasons for successes/failures
 - 3. Suggestions for future enterprises

Assignment:

- 1. Assigned readings (15-25 pages per week)
- 2. Prepare a project plan including commodity proposed, quantity or size of the project, facilities required, projected market, and commodity management plan
- 3. Write a marketing plan for commodity production and sale
- 4. Implement a cultural, husbandry, or production plan (field work such as crop growth, harvest, and processing/sale of commodity)
- 5. Write a project analysis report (5 pages max)
- 6. Prepare a final statement of project income and expenses

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.

Project plan; marketing plan; project analysis report

Writing 20 - 30%

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

Field work; project analysis report; income/expense statement

Problem solving 30 - 40%

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

Field work

Skill Demonstrations 30 - 40%

Participation

Exams
0 - 0%

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

Other Category
0 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Entrepreneurship: Starting and Operating A Small Business. 5th. Mariotti, Steve and Glackin, Caroline. Pearson. 2020.

Instructor prepared materials (varies by project)

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill