NRM 56 Course Outline as of Fall 2015

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: NRM 56 Title: ENTERPRISE PROJECT

Full Title: Agricultural Enterprise Project

Last Reviewed: 4/27/2015

Units		Course Hours per Wee	ek l	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	12	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: AGRI 56, HORT 56

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion or Current Enrollment in NRM 60 OR NRM 70

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: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2003 Inactive: Summer 2018

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will 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/horticultural enterprise.
- 9. Produce an increasingly more challenging and complex produce or project with each repeat.

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:

Projects will vary according to crop, commodity, or product selected; crop/commodity/projects.

- 1. Prepare a project plan, including commodity proposed, quantity or size of the project, facilities required, projected market, and commodity management plan.
- 2. Write a marketing plan for commodity production and sale.
- 3. Implement cultural, husbandry, or production plan utilizing the resources available at Shone Farm or another location.
- 4. Write a project analysis report (5 pages max.).
- 5. Prepare a final statement of project income and expenses.
- 6. Assigned readings, 15-25 pages per week.

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.

Written homework, project plan; marketing plan

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.

Implementation of production plan and marketing plan, including field work, crop growth, harvest, and sales

Skill Demonstrations 30 - 40%

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

None

Exams 0 - 0%

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: Instructor prepared materials