

***Agriculture 130***  
***Principles of Agronomy***  
***Fall 2004***

***Course Requirements and Information***

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***Office Hours:*** I will be available at office hours other than scheduled class periods.  
(schedule posted at Room 5) It's best to set up a time to ensure a meeting time.

***Reference Materials:*** Text Book: Metcalfe, D.S., and D.M. Elkins. Crop Production, Principles and Practices. 4th Ed. MacMillan Publishing Co., 1980. Recommended but not required. These reference books are in the Crabbe Library.

***Lecture Supplement:*** A general outline of the lecture notes will be available the first week of class. This lecture supplement is **required material** for the course and will be followed each day during class. It is also a valuable resource for examination and quiz review. Additional notes taken in lecture should be added directly to the supplement outline or on the blank facing pages.

***Style of Teaching:*** Major points of the course will be emphasized in lecture and will be the primary source for quiz and examination questions. Reading assignments from the text will compliment the lecture topics and should be completed prior to the lecture.

**Agriculture Department Attendance Policy**  
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Students in Agriculture/Horticulture classes are required to attend all scheduled class meetings. If students have a legitimate reason to be absent (personal illness, critical illness, death in their immediate family or participation in an approved University activity) they are expected to discuss it with the instructor prior to the anticipated absence and make arrangements for any make-up work that must be done. Completion of make-up work is the responsibility of the student. The instructor will judge the validity of the reason for an absence.

In case of an emergency of such nature that the above requirements cannot be met, the student should inform the instructor at the first opportunity after the student's return to the campus and should present adequate and documented reasons. Absences in excess of 20 percent of a class will automatically result in a failing grade unless this is waived by the instructor and department chair.

Students who have unexcused absences forfeit the right to do make-up work especially quizzes, exams and laboratories given that day.

Enforcement of this policy is the responsibility of the instructor. Unexcused absences may be used as a factor in determining a grade for the course.

**DISABILITY STATEMENT** - If there is any student in this class who is in need of academic accommodations and who is registered with the Office of Services for Students with Disabilities, please make an individual appointment with the course instructor to discuss accommodations. Upon individual request, this syllabus can be made available in alternative forms. If any student who is not registered with the Office of Services for Students with Disabilities has need of academic accommodations, please contact the Office directly either in person at SSB 361 or by telephone at 622-1500.

**Evaluation:** The final grade for the course will be determined according to the following:

Six - 75 point hour exams	375 points (Drop one)
Lecture Homework assignments & quizzes	150 points
Final Exam - Comprehensive	<u>150 points</u>
	675 points

Exams will be primarily short answer and essay with some objective questions (multiple choice and completion). All collected assignments will be reduced by 20% of the total possible points for each class period late until the graded assignment has been returned, after which they will not be accepted.

Hourly exams are tentatively scheduled for: 9/3, 9/17, 10/8, 10/29, 11/12 and 12/3.

**The Final Exam is scheduled for Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 - 10:00 am.**

**Grading:** The final letter grade will be based on a percentage of the semester total  
 A=90% , B=80% ,C=70% - 80%, D=60% - 70%, and F=<60%.

You are responsible for keeping a record of your points throughout the semester and knowing your grade status at any time. The following table should be filled in as your work is returned to assist you in keeping a record of your progress. Bring it with you when you have questions about your grade. You may be asked to calculate your current percentage at any time during a quiz using this table. Please save all of your returned quizzes both for later review and to help resolve any questions you may have about your grade.

Hour Exams		Hour Exams		Homework & Quizzes	
Your Score	Points Possible	Your Score	Points Possible	Your Score	Points Possible
1 _____	75	4 _____	75	1 _____	4 _____
2 _____	75	5 _____	75	2 _____	5 _____
3 _____	75	6 _____		3 _____	6 _____
FINAL _____	150				
TOTAL _____	675				