

**COURSE SYLLABUS: FALL 2025** 

#### INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

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Preferred Form of Communication: Email Communication Response Time: 24 hrs

#### **COURSE INFORMATION**

Textbook(s) Required: None

Software Required: Lindale ISD/Hawkins ISD issued Chromebook, iPad or personal laptop.

Optional Texts and/or Materials: None

# **Course Description**

# **Student Learning Objectives:**

- 1. Explain the role of animal agriculture in providing benefits for mankind.
- 2. Identify common livestock breeds and classes.
- 3. Define terminology specific to animal science disciplines.
- 4. Demonstrate understanding of fundamental animal science principles including selection, reproduction, nutrition and health.
- 5. Apply animal science principles by solving common problems. 6. Identify animal issues of interest to society, and related responsibilities. 7. Apply scientific reasoning to investigate questions and utilize animal science 8. tools to collect and analyze data and demonstrate methods.
- 9. Use critical thinking and scientific problem-solving to make informed decisions. 10. Communicate effectively the results of scientific investigations.

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# **COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Lindale ISD/Hawkins issued Chromebook, iPad or personal laptop.

# **Instructional Methods**

Lecture, notes, video, hands-on labs.

# Student Responsibilities or Tips for Success in the Course

Students should check their D2L course account each day in order to review and submit assignments as required.

# **GRADING**

Final grades in this course will be based on the following scale:

A = 90%-100%

B = 80%-89%

C = 70% - 79%

D = 60%-69%

F = 59% or Below

Weights of the assessments in the calculation of the final letter grade.

Grades will be calculated as follows:

Daily Grades/Quizzes = 25%

Labs & Journal Abstract = 25%

Tests = 50%

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# **COURSE OUTLINE / CALENDAR**

Week	Dates	Unit
1	8/25-8/29	Animal Industry
2	9/2-9/5	Beef Cattle
3	9/8-9/12	Dairy Cattle
4	9/15-9/19	Swine
5	9/22-9/26	Sheep & Goats
6	9/29-10/3	Poultry
7	10/6-10/10	Horses
8	10/13-10/17	Behavior
9	10/20-10/24	Reproduction & Breeding
10	10/27-10/31	Genetics
11	11/3-11/7	Digestive System
12	11/10-11/14	Nutrition
13	11/17-11/21	Diseases/Parasites
14	12/1-5	Meats
15	12/8-12	FINALS

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#### **TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS**

#### **LMS**

All course sections offered by East Texas A&M University have a corresponding course shell in the myLeo Online Learning Management System (LMS). Below are technical requirements

## LMS Requirements:

https://community.brightspace.com/s/article/Brightspace-Platform-Requirements

## LMS Browser Support:

https://documentation.brightspace.com/EN/brightspace/requirements/all/browser\_support.htm

## Zoom Video Conferencing Tool

https://inside.tamuc.edu/campuslife/CampusServices/CITESupportCenter/Zoom\_Account.aspx?source=universalmenu

#### **ACCESS AND NAVIGATION**

You will need your campus-wide ID (CWID) and password to log into the course. If you do not know your CWID or have forgotten your password, contact the Center for IT Excellence (CITE) at 903.468.6000 or <a href="mailto:helpdesk@tamuc.edu">helpdesk@tamuc.edu</a>.

**Note:** Personal computer and internet connection problems do not excuse the requirement to complete all course work in a timely and satisfactory manner. Each student needs to have a backup method to deal with these inevitable problems. These methods might include the availability of a backup PC at home or work, the temporary use of a computer at a friend's home, the local library, office service companies, Starbucks, a TAMUC campus open computer lab, etc.

#### **COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT**

Best form of communication is by email (response time within 24 hours) - Casey.jones@etamu.edu

This course will utilize D2L via the myLeo link on the ETAMU website. We will utilize D2L for the majority of our classwork submission.

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# **Technical Support**

If you are having technical difficulty with any part of Brightspace, please contact Brightspace Technical Support at 1-877-325-7778. Other support options can be found here: <a href="https://community.brightspace.com/support/s/contactsupport">https://community.brightspace.com/support/s/contactsupport</a>

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#### **Interaction with Instructor Statement**

#### COURSE AND UNIVERSITY PROCEDURES/POLICIES

## **Course Specific Procedures/Policies**

## **Syllabus Change Policy**

The syllabus is a guide. Circumstances and events, such as student progress, may make it necessary for the instructor to modify the syllabus during the semester. Any changes made to the syllabus will be announced in advance.

#### **University Specific Procedures**

#### **Student Conduct**

All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment. The Code of Student Conduct is described in detail in the Student Guidebook. https://inside.tamuc.edu/admissions/registrar/documents/studentGuidebook.pdf.

Students should also consult the Rules of Netiquette for more information regarding how to interact with students in an online forum: <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/netiquette">https://www.britannica.com/topic/netiquette</a>

#### **ETAMU Attendance**

For more information about the attendance policy please visit the <u>Attendance</u> webpage and <u>Procedures 13.99.99.R0.01</u> http://www.tamuc.edu/admissions/registrar/generalInformation/attendance.aspx

#### **Academic Integrity**

Students at Texas A&M University-Commerce are expected to maintain high standards of integrity and honesty in all of their scholastic work. For more details and the

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definition of academic dishonesty see the following procedures:

<u>Undergraduate Academic Dishonesty 13.99.99.R0.03</u> <u>Undergraduate Student Academic Dishonesty Form</u>

http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/documents/13.99.99.R0.03UndergraduateStudentAcademicDishonestyForm.pdf

# **Graduate Students Academic Integrity Policy and Form**

Graduate Student Academic Dishonesty Form

https://inside.tamuc.edu/aboutus/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/13students/graduate/13.99.99.R0.10.pdf

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#### Students with Disabilities-- ADA Statement

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact:

## Office of Student Disability Resources and Services

East Texas A&M University Velma K. Waters Library Rm 162 Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835 Fax (903) 468-8148

Email: <a href="mailto:studentdisabilityservices@tamuc.edu">studentdisabilityservices@tamuc.edu</a>

Website: Student Disability Services

https://www.tamuc.edu/student-disability-services/

#### **Nondiscrimination Notice**

Texas A&M University-Commerce will comply in the classroom, and in online courses, with all federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination and related retaliation on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, genetic information or veteran status. Further, an environment free from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression will be maintained.

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# **Campus Concealed Carry Statement**

Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in Texas A&M University-Commerce buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and ETAMU Rule 34.06.02.R1, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations.

For a list of locations, please refer to the <u>Carrying Concealed Handguns On</u> <u>Campus</u> document and/or consult your event organizer.

#### Web url:

http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/34SafetyOfEmployeesAndStudents/34.06.02.R1.pdf

Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all ETAMU campuses. Report violations to the University Police Department at 903-886-5868 or 9-1-1.

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## **ETAMU Supports Students' Mental Health**

The Counseling Center at ETAMU, located in the Halladay Building, Room 203, offers counseling services, educational programming, and connection to community resources for students. Students have 24/7 access to the Counseling Center's crisis assessment services by calling 903-886-5145. For more information regarding Counseling Center events and confidential services, please visit <a href="https://www.tamuc.edu/counsel">www.tamuc.edu/counsel</a>

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## Mental Health and Well-Being

The university aims to provide students with essential knowledge and tools to understand and support mental health. As part of our commitment to your well-being, we offer access to Telus Health, a service available 24/7/365 via chat, phone, or webinar. Scan the QR code to download the app and explore the resources available to you for guidance and support whenever you need it.



http://telusproduction.com/app/5108.html

## Al use policy [Draft 2, May 25, 2023]

Eas Texas A&M Universitye acknowledges that there are legitimate uses of Artificial Intelligence, ChatBots, or other software that has the capacity to generate text, or suggest replacements for text beyond individual words, as determined by the instructor of the course.

Any use of such software must be documented. Any undocumented use of such software constitutes an instance of academic dishonesty (plagiarism). Individual instructors may disallow entirely the use of such software for individual assignments or for the entire course. Students should be aware of such requirements and follow their instructors 'guidelines. If no instructions are provided the student should assume that the use of such software is disallowed.

In any case, students are fully responsible for the content of any assignment they submit, regardless of whether they used an AI, in any way. This specifically includes cases in which the AI plagiarized another text or misrepresented sources. 13.99.99.R0.03 Undergraduate Academic Dishonesty 13.99.99.R0.10 Graduate Student Academic Dishonesty

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