Ag 100 Introduction to Agriculture
Fall 2012
MWF 8:00 – 8:50 AM
Aug. 27 – Oct. 1

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COURSE INFORMATION

Materials – Textbooks, Readings, Supplementary Readings:

Textbook(s) Required: None

Course Description:

Introduction to agriculture and its relationship to the sciences. Also explores careers and opportunities in agriculture. Insights into the agriculture curriculum and course content are presented.

Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Introduce students to Texas A&M University - Commerce
2. Provide the student tools and opportunities for university success
3. Students will be introduced to the various fields of agriculture
Grading

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<td>Four 100-point papers</td>
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<td>Planner</td>
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A 900-1000  
B 800-899  
C 700-799  
D 600-699  
F <600

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

To be successful in the course, you will be provided access to university computers and facilities. The following items are available on university computers for your use.

1. Access to T: drive
2. MS Word
3. MS PowerPoint

These items will be helpful for you, should you need to work at home.

1. Flash drive
2. MS Office or compatible software

COURSE AND UNIVERSITY PROCEDURES/POLICIES

Course Specific Procedures:

You may bring drinks to class. Please finish any meals before class begins. The use of tobacco products during class time is strictly prohibited. Use of intoxicants before class is strictly prohibited and will result in the student’s immediate removal from class.

Cheating of any kind will not be tolerated. Copying of others’ work, use of disallowed material on exams, plagiarism in assignments or cheating in any other form as defined by the instructor will result in a grade of zero for that assignment. Multiple infractions will result in a grade of ‘F’ for the course and possible expulsion.

Attendance for this class is mandatory. For every two unexcused absences, your grade will be lowered by one letter grade. Five absences will result in a grade of F for the course.
University Specific Procedures:

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
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Gee Library 132
Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835
Fax (903) 468-8148
StudentDisabilityServices@tamu-commerce.edu
Student Disability Resources & Services

Student Conduct

Students are expected to respect the rights of others in the class. Cell phones and other electronic equipment should be turned off prior to the beginning of class. Use of these items during class time, or any other unwarranted classroom disruption, will result in your immediate excusal from class for the remainder of the period.

All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment. (See Code of Student Conduct from Student Guide Handbook).

COURSE OUTLINE / CALENDAR

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<td>1 – Aug. 27-31</td>
<td>Introductions, Syllabi, Undergraduate Catalog, Planners, and Time Management</td>
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<td>2 – Sept. 3-7</td>
<td>Taking Notes, Study Techniques, GPA Calculations, Library,</td>
<td>Weekly Planner</td>
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<td>3 – Sept. 10-14</td>
<td>Degree Plans, Degree Audit, Career Planning, Resumés, Scavenger Hunt</td>
<td>University Activity Paper Library Activity</td>
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<td>4 – Sept. 17-21</td>
<td>Talking to Professors, Higher Level Thinking, Inquiry</td>
<td>Cultural Event Paper Four year plan,</td>
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<td>5 – Sept. 24-28</td>
<td>Fields of Agriculture</td>
<td>Sporting Event Paper</td>
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<td>6 – Oct. 1</td>
<td>End of Semester Meeting Final Exam</td>
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