CASPER COLLEGE COURSE SYLLABUS  
REW M- 2000-01

Semester/Year: Fall 2006
Lecture Hours: 2  Lab Hours: 2  Credit Hours: 3

Class Time: 11:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.  Days: T TH  Room: WA 110
Lab Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.  Day: M  Room: WA 106
Meet from 9/11 - 10/16

Instructor's Name: Heath Hornecker

Instructor's Contact Information:
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Office Hours:
As posted on office door.

Course Description: Basic principles of range management as they apply and relate to livestock production, conservation practices and wildlife management, region vegetative types and range sites, and grazing systems and multiple range uses. Several field trips will be included.

Statement of Prerequisites: None

Goal: To provide the student an in-depth study of the rangelands of the West. Focus will be on range plants and their relationship with livestock, wildlife, humans and weather.

Outcomes:
To gain fundamental principles of range management through actual field study and survey of the various problems facing range operation today.

Methodology: This course is designed as a lecture type course, however, many different methods of instruction will be used, including “hands-on” field trips, slides, guest lectures, and plant mount study. Labs sessions will be used to explore range topics in and around the community as well as the in-depth study of plants and noxious weeds.

Evaluation Criteria:
Grades in this course will be based on the following criteria:

1. Attendance is essential and will be recorded. Announced and unannounced quizzes will be given for both lab and class time. There will be a lab assignment or quiz each week and excused absences require prior approval. Assignments or quizzes missed for unexcused absences may only be made up for a lower grade.
2. The remainder of the grade will consist of several tests, including a possible mid-term and possible comprehensive final, quizzes, papers and reports.
3. Class participation.
4. The grading scale will be:

- **A = 90%-100%**
- **B = 80%-89%**
- **C = 70%-79%**
- **D = 60%-69%**
- **F = 59% or lower**

**Required Text, Readings, and Materials:**
1. **Range Management, Principles & Practice**, Holechek, Pieper, & Herbel, Prentice Hall *(Highly Recommended but not required)*
2. **Weeds of the West**: Western Society of Weeds *(Required)*

**Class Policies:**
1. Students are expected to attend all classes, lectures, field trips, and other requirements for each class.
2. Students who miss class while representing the college officially are directly responsible for seeing that assignments, quizzes, and tests are made up promptly.
3. Make-up tests are not guaranteed; students should inform the instructor of absence well in advance.

**Classroom/Lab**
As a college student, it is your responsibility to determine whether or not your attendance in this class is required. The most successful students are always those with the best attendance record! As an instructor, it is my responsibility to ensure that the optimal learning environment is provided to all students. The following are examples of expected behaviors in this, and any college classroom:

- Attend all class meetings, and be on time. If you are late, discreetly enter the classroom through the rear doors.
- **TURN OFF CELL PHONES!**
- Listen to questions/statements made by your fellow classmates; these may enhance your understanding of the material. We will have a wide variety of backgrounds in this class and we can all learn from others’ perspectives.
- Expect to receive pertinent course materials/handouts during the designated course times. If you are unable to obtain these materials at these times, it becomes your responsibility to obtain them from a fellow classmate, or from the instructor, during her office hours. Don’t expect late, partially completed or illegible work to be graded.
- Always exercise your right to ask questions. There is absolutely no such thing as a “stupid question” and your instructor is not beyond being able to learn from you. Be active in your learning.
- Most labs will be outside visiting differing types of terrain. It is your responsibility to dress appropriately for the occasion. Good shoes, long pants and jackets will all be needed at times.

**Student Rights and Responsibilities:**
Please refer to the Casper College Student Conduct and Judicial Code for information concerning your rights and responsibilities as a Casper College Student.

**Chain of Command:**
If you have any problems with this class, you should first contact the instructor in order to solve the problem. If you are not satisfied with the solution offered by the instructor, you should then take your problem through the appropriate chain of command starting with the department head (Heath Hornecker), then the division chair (Dr. Tom Clifford), and lastly the vice president for academic affairs (Dr. Carmen Simone).

**Academic Dishonesty - Cheating & Plagiarism:**
Casper College demands intellectual honesty. Proven plagiarism or any form of dishonesty associated with the
academic process can result in the offender failing the course in which the offense was committed or expulsion from school. See the Casper College Student Code of Conduct.

**ADA Accommodations Policy:**

It is the policy of Casper College to provide appropriate accommodations to any student with a documented disability. If you have a need for accommodation in this course, please make an appointment to see me at your earliest convenience.