

# ANIMAL PRACTICUM

## ADSC 2000

### Animal and Dairy Science Department

Lecture: Tuesday, 8:00-9:15, Rhodes Complex, room 101  
Lab: Tuesday or Thursday, 2:00-6:15, various locations

3 credit hours

#### **COURSE OVERVIEW:**

**OBJECTIVE:** Animal practicum is the practical application of handling and management concepts. The primary objective is to **practice** the basic skills of livestock handling and management. These skills include handling, movement, restraint and other husbandry practices normally used in the care of farm/livestock species.

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**E-LEARNING COMMONS:** The E-Learning Commons will be used extensively for support material, internet links and grades. E-Learning Commons is accessed through your MYID log on.

**TEXT (Strongly recommended):** Handbook of Livestock Management Techniques - Battaglia and Mayrose, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., 2007. ISBN # 0-13-118933-6

#### **EVALUATION AND GRADING:**

- ★ **Exams** – 37.5% of grade.
  - Two exams to be taken during normal lecture time.
  - Exams will cover material from lecture, lab and E-Learning Commons
  - Grades will be posted on E-Learning Commons.
  - Make-up exams will be available only to those with an excused absence. Make-up exams will be more difficult than the original

exam. It is the responsibility of the student to make arrangements with the instructor to take a make up exam. **Failure to take the make up exam within 1 week of the missed exam will result in the student receiving a 0 for that exam.**

- Students with unexcused absences will receive a 0 for that exam.

★ **Laboratory** – 25% of grade.

- It is expected that all students will accomplish all management practices in each lab.
- Laboratory grades will be based on a 0-4 point scale.
  - 0 – Student is absent from lecture and lab.
  - 1 – Student is present for lecture but is absent from lab
  - 2 – Student is present for lecture and lab, but does not participate in lab.
  - 3 – Student is present in lecture and lab, but only minimally participates in lab.
  - 4 – Student is present in lecture and lab and does all work expected.
- Lab grades will be based on observations of TA's and instructor. The instructor MAY award extra points to students who participate in lab at a level well about what is expected. Lab grades will be posted on E-Learning Commons.
- Missed labs cannot normally be made up. Students with an excused absence should see the instructor about making up the lab or for an alternative assignment. **Labs must be made up or the alternative assignment must be completed within 2 weeks of missed lab or the last day of classes,** which ever comes first. If a student knows in advance they need to miss lab, please see the instructor to schedule attending the other lab session if possible

★ **Final written and practicum** – 37.5% of grade.

Final exams are comprehensive and both take place during scheduled final time period.

GRADING:	Exams (2)	37.5%
	Laboratory	25%
	Final exams	37.5%

FINAL EXAM: The final exam will be scheduled during the lecture period time block and held at the ADS Arena.

FINAL GRADE: The final grade is calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{Final \%} = ((\text{exam \%} * .375) + (\text{final \%} * .375) + (\text{lab \%} * .25))$$

Final % 90.00 -- 100% = A, A-  
80.00 – 89.99% = B+, B, B-  
70.00 – 79.99% = C+, C, C-  
60.00 – 69.99% = D  
< 60.00% = F

**Do not expect these break points to change.**

ATTENDANCE: Attendance of both lecture and lab is mandatory. Students with a Dr's excuse, a note from a UGA instructor indicating the student attended another educational activity or other events at the discretion of the instructor will be excused. Class roll will be taken at each lecture.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETT:

- NO FOOD
- NO DRINKS, except water
- NO FEET ON THE FURNITURE

DRESS FOR LAB: Be prepared to get dirt, manure and blood on you - wear appropriate clothing.

- Sturdy shoes or boots
- **NO SANDALS or OPEN TOED or HEELED SHOES!!!! Shoes must cover the entire foot**
- Jeans/pants, NO SHORTS
- T-shirts preferred,
- Gloves and clean-up supplies will generally be supplied.
- Be prepared for inclement weather (cold, rain, snow, etc.)

TRANSPORTATION TO LABS:

- Available from the Rhodes Center to outlying lab locations.
- Arrangements must be made by student ahead of time with

graduate TA for your lab.

- Vans for labs will leave the Rhodes Center at 2:00 P.M.

#### ACADEMIC HONESTY:

All students are expected to maintain the highest standards of Academic Honesty. Academic Honesty is defined by the University of Georgia as “performing all academic work without plagiarism, cheating, lying, tampering, stealing, giving or receiving unauthorized assistance from any other person, or using any source of information that is not common knowledge without properly acknowledging the source.” Students in this class are expected to uphold the UGA Student Honor Code. Any violation of the Student Honor Code will be reported and handled per UGA policy.