

NRM 106 - ORIENTATION TO NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
Spring - 2009 (1 credit, pass/fail)

Schedule:

Wednesday 03:30 - 04:30 pm 183 Arctic Health Research Bldg

Course Objective:

To acquaint new and prospective Natural Resources Management majors with the NRM degree and provide an overview of career opportunities and requirements for employment in professional natural resource related occupations.

Expected Student Outcome:

Improved focus on career goals, understanding career opportunities within natural resources management, stronger commitment to graduation, and ability to successfully pursue fulfilling and stimulating jobs or graduate school opportunities.

Course Description:

The course will involve invited speakers representing a broad range of natural resource related agencies and companies. Speakers will discuss their positions and professional opportunities in various aspects of natural resources management. Students should feel free to interact with speakers and ask questions.

Course Requirements:

Students are expected to attend and participate in all class sessions. Failure to attend the class sessions and/or submission of the required assignments (see below) will result in a failing grade.

Assignments:

Develop your personal resume and a cover letter to pursue a position/career in natural resources management. The **draft** of these two documents is **due in class on or before March 18, 2009** and the **revised** resume and cover letter are **due in class on or before April 8, 2009**.

You will be divided into groups of students with similar career interests. In the group, you will gather information related to professional positions available within the natural resources area you have selected. The last weeks of the semester you will present as a group, available career opportunities within your interest area in the state and elsewhere, required qualifications, the application process and other relevant information.

Course Coordinators:

Dr. Meriam Karlsson

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Student Disability Services:

In collaboration with UAF Office of Disability Services (203 Whit), 474-7043, reasonable accommodations will be made to assist students with documented disabilities.

WEB

Blackboard

National Association of Colleges and Employers

State jobs (Workplace Alaska)

Federal jobs

<http://classes.uaf.edu>

www.jobweb.com

www.jobs.state.ak.us/

www.usajobs.opm.gov

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Tentative schedule Sp-09: Wednesdays 03:30 - 04:30 pm, 183 Arctic Health Research Bldg.

January	28	Course introduction
February	4	Patti Picha, Director, Career Services, 110 Eielson Bldg. www.uaf.edu/career/, 474-7596, fnplp@uaf.edu
February	11	Jen Arseneau, Education Program Leader, University of Alaska Museum of the North, 474-6948, j.arseneau@uaf.edu
February	18	Group activities
February	25	TBA
March	4	Audra Brase, Lower Tanana Area Management Biologist, Sport Fish Division, AK Dept of Fish and Game (www.adfg.state.ak.us), 459- 7244, audra.brase@alaska.gov
March	11	Spring Break
March	18	Resume and cover letter due TBA
March	25	Group activities
April	1	TBA
April	8	Final resume and cover letter due Dr. Susan Sharbaugh, Senior Scientist, Alaska Bird Observatory, 418 Wedgewood Dr., Fairbanks, AK, (907) 451-7159, SSharbaugh@alaskabird.org
April	15	Group presentations
April	22	Group presentations
April	29	Discussion and wrap up