# NRM 106 - ORIENTATION TO NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT Spring - 2008 (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 positions.

# **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:**

Much of 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 assignment (see below) will result in a failing grade.

# **Assignment:**

Develop your personal resume and a cover letter to pursue a position/career in natural resources management. The <u>draft</u> of these two documents is <u>due in class on or before March 19, 2008</u> and the <u>revised</u> resume and cover letter are <u>due in class on or before April 9, 2008</u>.

#### **Course Coordinator:**

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 Tentative schedule Sp-08: Wednesdays 03:30 - 04:30 pm, 183 Arctic Health Research Bldg.

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January	30	Course introduction
February	6	Patti Picha, Director, Career Services, 110 Eielson Bldg. www.uaf.edu/career/, fnplp@uaf.edu, 474-7596
February	13	Heidi Rader, Agriculture and Horticulture Agent, UAF Cooperative Extension Service, 122 First Ave., Suite 600, Fairbanks, AK 99701 452-8251 ext. 3477, ffhbr@uaf.edu or heidi.rader@tananachiefs.org
February	20	Marla Lowder, 4H Youth Development Agent, UAF Cooperative Extension Service, 138 University Park, 474-1530/2427, fnmkl1@uaf.edu
February	27	Audra Brase, Fishery biologist, Sport Fish Division, AK Dept of Fish and Game (www.adfg.state.ak.us), 459-7244, audra.brase@alaska.gov
March	5	Lena Perkins, Grad student, Stanford University, Chena Hot Springs Resort, 451-8104, lena.perkins@gmail.com
March	12	Spring Break
March	19	Resume and cover letter due Curtis Knight, Natural Resource Specialist, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, 451-2761, curtis.knight@alaska.gov
March	26	TBA
April	2	Katie Murra, Recruitment & Retention Coordinator, UAF School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, 474-6786, murra@sfos.uaf.edu
April	9	Final resume and cover letter due TBA
April	16	TBA
April	23	Tyler Tenbarge, National FFA Vice President from the Eastern Region, http://www.ffa.org/
April	30	Discussion and wrap up