

NRM 106 - ORIENTATION TO NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
Spring - 2010 (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 (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 17, 2010** and the **revised** resume and cover letter are **due in class on or before April 7, 2010**.

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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Thursday 9-11 am, Academic Advising Center, 509 Gruening Bldg

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

<http://classes.uaf.edu>

National Association of Colleges and Employers

www.jobweb.com

State jobs (Workplace Alaska)

www.jobs.state.ak.us

Federal jobs

www.usajobs.gov

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Tentative schedule Sp-10: Wednesdays 03:30 - 04:30 pm, 183 Arctic Health Research Bldg.

January	27	Course introduction Jan. 27 and 28, UAF Student Job Fair, WC, 11am - 2pm
February	3	Group activities Visitor Industry Job Fair, WC, 10am - 3pm
February	10	Patti Picha, Director, Career Services, 110 Eielson Bldg. www.uaf.edu/career/, 474-7596, plpicha@alaska.edu
February	17	Katie Kennedy, Education and Outreach Coordinator, UA Geography Program, 174 Arctic Health Res. Bldg., 474-6121, katie.kennedy@alaska.edu
February	24	Jen Arseneau, Education Program Leader, University of Alaska Museum of the North, 474-6948, j.arseneau@alaska.edu
March	3	Park Ranger Nikki Phillips, Harding Lake District, AK Dept of Natural Resources, Div. of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, (907) 451-2653 nicole.phillips@alaska.gov
March	10	Spring Break
March	17	Resume and cover letter due TBA
March	24	Group activities Career Expo, WC, 10am - 5pm
March	31	TBA UAF Student Job Fair, WC, 11am - 2pm
April	7	Final resume and cover letter due Visit to the Alaska Bird Observatory, Dr. Susan Sharbaugh, Senior Scientist, Alaska Bird Observatory, 418 Wedgewood Dr., Fairbanks, AK, (907) 451-7159, SSharbaugh@alaskabird.org
April	14	Ruby Hollembaek, Unique Networking and Public Relations, Delta Junction, Alaska, rhubarb99737@gmail.com
April	21	TBA
April	28	Group presentations
May	5	Discussion and wrap up