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Course Delivery:
Print-Based Correspondence Course

Credit Hours:
Three Semester Hours

Prerequisites:
BUS 103 – Intro to Business, BUS 105 – Intro to Agribusiness, ECON 255 – Macroeconomics Principles, ECON 256 – Microeconomics Principles, or instructor consent with a grade of C- or better.

Course Time Limits:
The minimum course completion times for a three credit hour print correspondence course is six weeks from the date of enrollment.

All correspondence courses have a maximum course completion deadline of one year from the date of registration.

Course Materials:
Textbooks can be purchased from the Adams State University Bookstore. To order textbooks or obtain information about book titles, you may go to exstudies.adams.edu and click on the "Bookstore" link. Select "DISTLEARN" from the department menu. (http://adams.edu/students/su/sub/bookstore/)

Use Section Number: 1464 to order books from Bookstore site. This should provide the correct textbook information and ordering options.

If you have questions, you can contact the Bookstore at 719-587-7981, email at asubookstore@adams.edu or by mail to Adams State University Bookstore, 208 Edgemont Blvd., Suite 3140, Alamosa, CO 81101.
BUS 498 – WORLD FOOD DISTRIBUTION AND AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

Required Textbook:


**CATALOG DESCRIPTION:**

This course considers both micro- and macro-economic issues as they are applied to food producing systems, markets, and trade around the world.

The goal of this course in this capstone course for the ASU Agribusiness degree is to focus on the global nature of the agricultural industry. This course encompasses a variety of topics and issues related to agriculture, agribusinesses, government policy, and international trade agreements.

The agriculture industry represents the largest segment of career options available today. As well, currently a shortage exists for post-secondary trained agricultural workers. This course is designed to provide students with specific information in World Food Distribution & Agricultural Economics and agribusiness practices. Career information in the agriculture and agribusiness industries is explored. This course is intended to help prepare students for upper level agribusiness curriculum and career consideration.

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge and comprehension of how population growth and higher incomes are expected to affect food consumption.
2. Describe the determinants of agricultural production in developed and developing nations.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of how consumption and production of food align over time.
4. Describe the interactions of agriculture and the environment, globalization, overall economic development, and food security in nations.
5. Demonstrate comprehension of issues and solutions in affluent nations as well as developing nations on various continents across the globe.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS:**

This coursework will consist of four exams and one marketing paper. The Study Guide walks you through each chapter assignment in preparation for the papers and exams.

This course is divided into 3 units each consisting of 5 to 6 chapters in the text. Once you have completed the work in each unit and have requested your exam, you will take the unit exam.
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Exams

Exams will consist of short answer questions. Each exam will be proctored and is 90 minutes in duration. No books or notes of any kind will be allowed during the exams. Calculators are authorized for the exams. More details as to the specific content and timing of exams are provided in the Study Guide.

All written work is subject to plagiarism detection software review. Identified instances of cheating or plagiarism will follow the Academic Integrity statement in the Syllabus.

Final Exam

After you have completed Exam 3 you may submit the exam request for the Final Exam. The Final Exam will cover all three units and will be proctored with a 90 minute duration.

Syllabus Agreement

It is your responsibility to read and understand the Syllabus for this course. In Unit 1 there is a required Syllabus Agreement. This is non-graded but required for completion of the course. The Syllabus Agreement must be received by instrprior to the other assignments in the course.

Global Agriculture Paper

A paper regarding issues in global agriculture is required in this course. It is required to be a formal, written (typed, 12 pt. font, double-spaced, 1-inch margins) that is 3 pages in length. You must use APA formatting and referencing on this paper. A rubric is included with further instructions in the Study Guide.

Computer/Internet Requirements

Components of this course may require Internet or other computer use. If you do not have access to a computer and/or word processing software, please contact the instructor prior to starting the course.
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GRADE DISTRIBUTION AND SCALE:
In alignment with ASU academic policies, no D may apply to a major or minor field.

Grade Distribution:

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Grade Scale:

- 731-800 points: 90-100% A
- 661-730 points: 80-89% B
- 591-660 points: 70-79% C
- 531-590 points: 60-69% D
- Less than 530 points: 59% and below F

ADA STATEMENT:

Adams State University complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Adams State University is committed to achieving equal educational opportunities, providing students with documented disabilities access to university programs. In order for a course to be equally accessible to all students, different accommodations or adjustments may need to be implemented. The Office of Disability Services (ODS) is located in Richardson Hall, Suite 3-100, by mail at 208 Edgemont Blvd., Suite 3-100, Alamosa, CO 81101, by email at odsd@adams.edu, or by calling 719-587-7746. They are your primary resource on campus to discuss the qualifying disability, help you develop an accessibility plan, and achieve success in your courses. Please communicate with them as early as possible; this can be in person, via email, or by phone. The Disability Services Coordinator shall either provide you letters to give to your professors for accommodations or email these letters out to you and your professors.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

In accordance with Academic Policy 100-03-01, Adams State University, to preserve academic integrity, does not tolerate academic dishonesty (misconduct). Every student is required to practice and adhere to the principle of ACADEMIC INTEGRITY while undertaking studies at Adams State University. Students and faculty at Adams State University value academic honesty as a virtue essential to the academic process. Cheating, plagiarism, unauthorized possession or disposition of academic materials, or the falsification or fabrication of one’s academic work will not be tolerated.
Any offense may result in a zero for the exam, lesson, or exercise in question and may result in failure of the course. Please refer to the ASU Extended Studies Academic Integrity website for more information including the student handbook: Academic Integrity at Adams State University.

All written work is subject to plagiarism detection software review.

**STUDENT IDENTITY VERIFICATION:**

Adams State University utilizes a variety of methods to verify the identity of students enrolled in courses, including but not limited to: secure logins and pass codes, proctored exams, security questions, and other technologies and practices that are effective in verifying student identity. Some of these methods may incur an extra cost to students; associated costs will be outlined in the course syllabus, other University documents, and on the University website. Adams State University reserves the right to request additional government-issued documentation of identity from students for the purpose of ensuring that the person enrolled in the course is the person completing assignments, exams, and all other course requirements. Any student engaged in incidents of student identity fraud may face reprimand, disciplinary warning, a lowered or failing grade(s), and/or probation, or suspension from the course, academic program or University, or expulsion from the University.

**EXAMINATIONS:**

Please refer to the Guidelines for Proctored Exams and submit your Exam Request Form three weeks BEFORE you plan to take the exam.