Special Problems
AGR 475.005
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Course Description: One to four credit hours. In depth study into newly emerging
technologies, practices and research for broiler production. Prerequisite 12 hours of
agriculture.

Course Assignment and Grade: Satisfactory completion of the course will be based on
the acceptability level of student work as evaluated by the assigned instructor. Standard
grades will be assigned at the completion of the class.

Program Learner Outcomes:

1. Technical Thinking - The student will demonstrate competence of technical
subject matter in poultry sciences.
2. Communication - The student will demonstrate effective oral and written
communication skills.
3. Leadership - The student will exhibit leadership and other interpersonal skills
needed for career placement and advancement.
4. Critical Thinking - The student will exhibit problem solving skills based on
quantitative and analytical reasoning.
5. Critical Skills - The student will demonstrate knowledge of poultry production
facilities.
**Course Requirements:**

Student will be required to gather research data. Analysis data collected from research findings. Furthermore, the student will be required to develop conclusions based upon the research and discuss the implications of the research.

**Attendance Policy:**

Excused absences should be approved in advance when possible. Attendance will be on a TBA basis. Scheduling will be agreed upon by the student and instructor.

**Academic Integrity:**

Academic integrity is a responsibility of all university faculty and students. Faculty members promote academic integrity in multiple ways including instruction on the components of academic honesty, as well as, abiding by university policy on penalties for cheating and plagiarism.

**Academic Dishonesty and Cheating:**

Any instance of academic dishonesty or cheating will be governed by the guidelines set in the General Bulletin. They are as follows:

Academic dishonesty includes both cheating and plagiarism. Cheating includes but is not limited to (1) using or attempting to use unauthorized materials to aid in achieving a better grade on a component of a class; (2) falsifying or inventing any information, including citations, on an assigned exercise; and/or (3) helping or attempting to help another in an act of cheating or plagiarism. Plagiarism is presenting the words or ideas of another person as if they were your own. Examples of plagiarism are (1) submitting an assignment as if it were one’s own work when, in fact, it is at least partly the work of another; (2) submitting a work that has been purchased or otherwise obtained from an Internet source or another source; and (3) incorporating the words or ideas of an author into one’s paper without giving the author due credit.

Please read the complete policy at [http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/academic_integrity.asp](http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/academic_integrity.asp)

**Students with Disabilities:**

To obtain relates accommodations and/or auxiliary aids, students with disabilities must contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS), Human Services Building in Room 325, 468-3004 or 468-1004 as soon as possible. Once verified, ODS will notify the course instructor and outline the accommodations and/or auxiliary aids to be provided. [http://www.sfasu.edu/disabilityservices/](http://www.sfasu.edu/disabilityservices/)

**Withheld Grades Semester Grades Policy (A-54):**

Ordinarily, at the discretion of the instructor of record and with the approval of the academic chair/director, a grade of WH will be assigned only if the student cannot complete the course work because of unavoidable circumstances. Students must complete the work within one calendar year from the end of the semester in which they receive a
WH, or the grade automatically becomes an F. If students register for the same course in future terms the WH will automatically become an F and will be counted as a repeated course for the purpose of computing the grade point average.

**Acceptable Student Behavior:**
Classroom behavior should not interfere with the instructor’s ability to conduct the class or the ability of other students to learn from the instructional program (see the Student Conduct Code, policy D-34.1). Unacceptable or disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. Students who disrupt the learning environment may be asked to leave class and may be subject to judicial, academic or other penalties. This prohibition applies to all instructional forums, including electronic, classroom, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The instructor shall have full discretion over what behavior is appropriate/inappropriate in the classroom. Students who do not attend class regularly or who perform poorly on class projects/exams may be referred to the Early Alert Program. This program provides students with recommendations for resources or other assistance that is available to help SFA students succeed.