

SYLLABUS

FDSC 3061: LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER PRACTICUM

Department of Animal Science
University of Wyoming

Time/place: For Spring Semester: 6:00 to 9:25 am T, AB Meat Lab.

Instructors:

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Course Description: Students will learn and practice proper techniques of livestock slaughter. Students will be directly involved in livestock slaughter in the UW Meat Laboratory. *Prerequisites:* FDSC 3060.

Disability Statement: *If you have a physical, learning, or psychological disability and require accommodations, please let the instructor know as soon as possible. You must register with, and provide documentation of your disability to University Disability Support Services (UDSS) in SEO, room 330 Knight Hall.*

Objectives/Outcomes/Standards: Students will learn the proper procedures of livestock slaughter, improve their proficiency at performing selected tasks, and be able to properly identify major steps in the slaughter process.

Students are expected to follow all rules and regulations regarding meat lab procedures. These include personal safety, personal hygiene, sanitation, record keeping, and other procedures. These will be outlined for you. Students should be familiar with procedures outlined in previous class periods, handouts and sections of the text that correspond to the current session **before** coming to lab.

Meat Lab policies prohibit food (including gum), tobacco, jewelry, watches, shorts, skirts, and open toed shoes. Hairnets and protective clothing will be provided for you while in the Meat Lab. Clean clothes and shoes are required. Jewelry used for body piercing must be removed if they are visible. If they cannot be removed, they must be covered for personal and hygienic safety reasons. Tape is available for this purpose.

Students should become engaged in an interactive learning process. This means you should participate in discussions, ask questions when a particular topic or point is unclear, and work as a team in practicum groups. These activities will facilitate the learning process.

Attendance/Participation Policy: Students are expected to attend all class sessions. Attendance will be graded and count towards assignment of final grades (see grading section below). An acceptable excuse must be presented to the instructor prior to missing any graded event. University sponsored absences are cleared through the Office of Student Life. Possibilities for a make-up test will be discussed as problems arise. Due to the nature and expense of materials, however, make-up of graded events will not be given. If you have a problem, please visit with the instructor(s).

Text: The Meat We Eat, 14th edition, 2001, Romans, Costello, Carlson, Greaser and Jones. Appropriate chapters of the text (chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7) will be assigned as the course progresses (see course outline). You are expected to read appropriate portions of the text and additional materials before attending related class periods.

UW HACCP Plans

Equipment Needed: knives (appropriate for livestock slaughter; 5 inch semi-flexible boning knife and lamb skinner, must be purchased from Meat Lab); old, but clean, clothes. Hard hats and protective clothing will be provided.

Grading Standards: Exams and practicums will be administered in regularly scheduled sessions (see course outline for dates). The weighting of these will be as follows:

Final Exam (1 @ 100 points)	100
Midterm evaluations	50
Pig Slaughter	100
Lamb Slaughter	100
Beef Slaughter	100
Lab Attendance and participation (15 sessions @ 10 points each)	150
Knife Sharpness (15 sessions @ 10 points each)	150
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TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS	750

Final Exam will cover material discussed in class, assigned portions of the text, handouts, and information presented during slaughter sessions and cumulative in nature. Spelling is important! Incorrectly spelled words will cause ½ point to be deducted from written test scores per occurrence. The final exam will be scheduled at the University assigned time.

Every two unexcused absences from class will result in an automatic one letter grade drop in final grade.

Instructor reserves the right to adjust a student's grade up to +/- 5% based on their effort and participation in class.

Grades will be assigned based on total points earned with 90-100% = A, 80.0-89.9% = B, 70.0-79.9% = C, 60.0-69.9% = D, less than 60.0% = F.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY:

GENERAL INFORMATION. All members of the University community are responsible for upholding the values of academic integrity. The faculty considers academic integrity a matter of common concern, not merely a private issue between instructor and student. Honesty in all academic endeavors is a component of academic integrity that is vital to the educational functions of the University. Whatever form academic dishonesty may take, the faculty considers it as establishing a student's failure to demonstrate the acquisition of knowledge and the failure to apply it to an academic endeavor. It is a student's responsibility to learn the standards of conduct for the performance of academic endeavors; it is an instructor or faculty member's responsibility to make reasonable effort to make known the standards of conduct for the performance of academic endeavors. Through an atmosphere of mutual respect we enhance the value of education and maintain high standards of academic excellence. Failure on the part of the student to observe and maintain standards of academic honesty, as hereafter defined or made known by an instructor responsible for a course or other academic endeavor, requires corrective action as hereafter authorized

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See University Regulation 6-802 for details.

<http://www.uwyo.edu/generalcounsel/support/clean%20uw%20regulations/UW%20Reg%206-802.pdf>

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