

NRM 106 - ORIENTATION TO NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
Spring - 2011 (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 23, 2011** and the **revised** resume and cover letter are **due in class on or before April 6, 2011.**

Students with similar career interests will be divided into groups. As a group, you will gather information related to available positions within the natural resources area you have selected. The last week of the semester you will present as a group, 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 10 am to noon, 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

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-11: Wednesdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm, 183 Arctic Health Research Bldg.

January	26	Course introduction
February	2	Patti Picha, Director, Career Services, 110 Eielson Bldg. www.uaf.edu/career 474-7596, plpicha@alaska.edu Visitor Industry Job Fair, WC, 10am - 3pm
February	9	Julie Shalvoy, Human Resources Manager, Geophysical Institute, UAF 474-6010, jashalvoy@alaska.edu
February	16	Sarah Runck, Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands, Fort Wainwright, sarah.runck@us.army.mil, (907)-361-9687
February	23	Group activities
March	2	Park Ranger Nikki Potter, Harding Lake District, AK Dept of Natural Resources, Div. of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, (907) 451-2653 nicole.phillips@alaska.gov Career Expo, WC, 10am - 5pm
March	9	Jen Arseneau, Education Program Leader, University of Alaska Museum of the North, 474-6948, j.arseneau@alaska.edu
March	16	Spring break
March	23	Resume and cover letter due TBA March 25, UAF Student Job Fair, Major Mania, WC, 11am - 2pm
March	30	TBA
April	6	Final resume and cover letter due Visit to the Alaska Bird Observatory, Dr. Susan Sharbaugh, Senior Scientist, 418 Wedgewood Dr., Fairbanks, AK, (907) 451-7159, SSharbaugh@alaskabird.org
April	13	TBA
April	20	TBA
April	27	Group presentations
May	4	Discussion and wrap up