

**College of Micronesia -FSM
COURSE MODIFICATION REQUEST**

AG 299 Directed Field Experience (1 credit)

Course Number and Title

Agriculture
Department

AG 299 Directed Field Experience (4 credits)

Recommended Course Number and Title

Agriculture
Department

New Course Objectives:

Apply knowledge and skills to a range of situations encountered in an actual agriculture or natural resources management workplace.

Demonstrate communication skills in the workplace.

Demonstrate the ability to write and present a practicum report that details the field experience.

New Course Description:

A structured learning experience working under supervision in a private, non-governmental or government agency involved in agriculture or natural resource management for at least 12 hours weekly

Justification for Revising the Course:

Three hours weekly is too short to get a meaningful field experience.

(SGD) Kiyoshi Phillip

Division Chairperson

July 29, 2008

Date

Chairperson, Curriculum Committee

Date

President, COM-FSM

Date

Official Use Only

New Course Number and Title:

Appendix C
College of Micronesia-FSM

COURSE OUTLINE COVER PAGE

Directed Field Experience	AG 299
Course Title	Department and Number

Course Description: A structured learning experience working under supervision in a private, non-governmental or government agency involved in agriculture or natural resource management for at least 12 hours weekly

Course Prepared by:	L Bacongus/K Phillip	Campus Site:	Kosrae/National Campuses
----------------------------	----------------------	---------------------	--------------------------

Course Type (see definitions of course types)	Hours per Week	No. of Weeks	Total Hours	Divisor	Semester Credits
Practicum	12	x 16	= 192	48	= 4
	_____	x _____	= _____		= _____
	Total Semester credits				4

(Hours per week x number of weeks = total hours) (Total hours/divisor = semester credits)

Divisors

Lecture: /16	Co-op education: /30	Workshop: /48
Practicum: /48	Lect./Lab /16	Internship: /48
Field Study: /48	Studio: /48	Lab: /48

Purpose of Course:

Degree Requirement	x
Degree Elective	_____
Certificate	_____
Other	_____

Prerequisite Course(s):

AG 101 Introduction to Agriculture	
AG 110 Basic Crop Production with Lab	
AG 140 Principles of Animal Science with Lab	

Signature, Chairperson, Curriculum Committee	Date Approved by Committee
---	-----------------------------------

Signature, President, COM-FSM	Date Approved by President
--------------------------------------	-----------------------------------

AG 299 Directed Field Research (4)

I COURSE OBJECTIVES

Program Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the Associate of Science in Agriculture and Natural Resources Management, students will be able to:

1. Acquire fundamental concepts and principles of agriculture and natural resources focusing on development and production in a sustainable manner appropriate to Micronesia.
2. Demonstrate basic competencies in the management of land resources and food production.
3. Acquire basic skills, knowledge and attitude to manage a sustainable food production enterprise or qualify for entry-level employment in an agriculture or natural resource management-related agency.
4. Acquire a sound scientific background that will allow transfer to a higher degree program related to land resources and food systems.

Student Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course students will be able to:

1. Apply knowledge and skills to a range of situations encountered in an actual agriculture or natural resources management workplace.
 1. Complete tasks assigned to them by their site supervisor.
 2. Propose strategies and solutions to problems or situations encountered in the workplace.
 3. Demonstrate the ability to work independently under supervision or as a member of a team.
 4. Demonstrate safety in the workplace.
 5. Demonstrate professionalism and ethics in the workplace.
2. Demonstrate communication skills in the workplace.
 1. Demonstrate writing skills by documenting the tasks completed in a daily written journal.
 2. Propose strategies and solutions to problems encountered in weekly meetings with supervisors and coordinators.
3. Demonstrate the ability to write and present a practicum report that details the field experience.
 1. Write a practicum report following the APA style of writing.
 2. Prepare and deliver a 30-minute Powerpoint presentation that focuses on the highlights of the directed field experience.

II COURSE CONTENT

The Directed Field Experience is individualized and is developed cooperatively among the student, faculty coordinator and field supervisor.

An introductory meeting will be held to determine and document the expectations of the field experience, assessment, journal writing, and safety and professionalism in the workplace. After mid-term, the student will again meet with the instructor to discuss final report writing and presentation skills.

III TEXTBOOK

No textbook for this field experience course.

IV REFERENCE

American Psychological Association (APA). Publication *Manual of the American Psychological Association*. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association, 2001. (Available at the COM-FSM Library) ISBN: 978-1-55798-810-2

V REQUIRED COURSE MATERIALS

Notebook for internship journal

VI INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS/EQUIPMENT AND COST FOR THE COLLEGE

Access to cooperating worksite in a private, non-governmental or government institution or organization involved in agriculture/natural resources management.

Site cooperator is not obliged to provide financial remuneration to the student.

VII METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

No classroom lecture required. The student is required to participate in meetings as arranged by the instructor and field supervisor and must record every activity that she/he attends.

Student is required to work according to the schedule set by the farm or agency, agreed upon with the instructor and the field supervisor, and to maintain a daily diary of all work activities assigned by the field supervisor. The field supervisor will sign the daily timesheet and diary. The student is expected to complete 192 hours of documented field experience within the semester.

At the end of the Directed Field Experience, student will prepare a written report following the APA style and make a 30-minute Powerpoint presentation to the class, instructor and site supervisor during the final examination period.

VIII EVALUATION

Suggested final course grade: Based on the daily diary, written report and presentation of the student, an evaluation by the field supervisor.

90 - 100 = A
89 - 80 = B
79 - 70 = C
69 - 60 = D
59 - Below = F

IX CREDIT-BY-EXAMINATION POLICY

None.

X ATTENDANCE POLICY

The student is expected to complete a minimum of 192 hours of documented field experience as jointly scheduled by the student, faculty coordinator and field supervisor. Should the student be absent due to personal illness or death in the immediate family, he or she must notify the field supervisor immediately and arrange to make up for the lost time prior to the end of the semester.

XI ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

College of Micronesia-FSM Academic Honesty Policy will be applied.