SYLLABUS

Course Number: SOCR 177
“Introduction to Applied Information Technology in Agriculture”
1 Credit hours

Department of Soil & Crop Sciences.

Catalogue Description:

Introduction to application of various Information Technology advances in agriculture. This will include but not be limited to data base management, project management, geographic information systems, global positioning systems, remote sensing, and their applications in soil, crop, animal, forestry, horticulture, economics, and business management.

Pre-requisite: None.

The class is taught in the Spring semester every year for 1 credits (1,0,0). The class will meet once a week every week throughout the semester.

I.

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II. Course Schedule:

Lecture: Mondays 12:00 through 12:50pm. Room 105 Military Science Building (Alternate arrangements: lecture time may be re-scheduled as per class requirements)

Laboratory: NONE. The class will perform some hands-on lab work during the scheduled lecture time in Precision Agriculture Lab W-010 in Plant Sciences Building or outside at Montford Quad (South of Plant Sciences Building)

III. Learning Objectives:

1. Students will be able to develop appreciation for Information Technology in Agriculture.
2. Students will be able to realize the challenges, avenues and opportunities of utilizing Information Technology in Agriculture.
3. Students will be able to develop an understanding of how Information Technology is currently being utilized in Agriculture, how it is going to impact agricultural operations and business in the future, and how they can contribute and benefit from acquiring training in the area of Applied Information Technology in Agriculture.

IV. Course Grading:

Students will be evaluated based on the traditional grading system.

A. One midterm exams: 25 percent
B. Home work Problems 40 percent
C. Final Exam: 30 percent
D. Class Participation: 05 percent

FINAL EXAM: Wednesday May 11th, 2011 from 11:50pm to 1:50pm