

**Clarendon College Department of Agriculture
AGRI 2321, AGRI 2121 SEC 102, AGRI 2121 Sec 103
Fall Semester 2024**

**Monday 1:00- 5:00 p.m. (Sophomore Livestock) 1 hr. AGRI 2121. SEC 102
Wednesday 1:00-5:00 p.m. (Meats) 1 hr . AGRI 2121. SEC 103
Thursday 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. (Freshman Livestock) 3 hr. AGRI 2321. SEC 101. 3 hours
Courson RFO Center ≠ Rhonde Room**

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Office Hours: By appointment

Text: None.

Course Description: Advanced livestock evaluation techniques will be taught to students who are on the traveling livestock judging team. Oral reasons, and performance classes of livestock will be stressed during the semester

Statement of Purpose: To prepare the sophomore team to compete on a national level against other community colleges.

Exemplary Objectives: The learner shall:

- understand and apply the basic principles of critical thinking, problem solving, and technical proficiency in the development of exposition and argument.
- demonstrate oral communication skills through the evaluation of livestock.

Student Learning Outcomes: The learner shall:

- develop an understanding of the modern standards that are being used to evaluate livestock species.
 - establish organizational skills which would lead to successful completion of oral reasons.
- * * reveal critical communication skills by answering pertinent questions related to livestock.

Methods of Instruction: Lecture, videotape, demonstrations

Semester Schedule:

Meats

Practices will be on Wednesday afternoons and the weekends. Students will travel with coaches to 3-4 contests per semester.

Livestock

Practices will take place in the afternoons on weekdays and the team will travel to several contests each semester. Additionally, students can expect weekend practices.

Grading: Due to the nature of the course students are graded according to participation. Students who have more than three unexcused absences will be dropped from the course and their judging scholarship will be dropped the next semester.

Class Policies

- Unexcused and/or unauthorized absences will be reflected in the student's final grade. Students will be dropped from the course after six unexcused absences.
- Excused absences (school activities, illnesses, and emergencies) **do not** excuse the student from any missed work. Students must make arrangements with the instructor to complete all assigned work.
- Permission for making up any missed work will be granted only for absences arranged for in advance of the absence. In case of an emergency, illness, or death in the family, it is the student's responsibility to notify the instructor as soon as possible.

College Policies

Academic Integrity and Dishonest Behavior

Clarendon College is committed to a philosophy of honesty and academic integrity. It is the responsibility of all members of the Clarendon College community to maintain academic integrity at Clarendon College by refusing to participate in or tolerate academic dishonesty. Any act of academic dishonesty will be regarded by the faculty and administration as a serious offense.

Academic dishonesty violations include, but are not limited to: (1) obtaining an examination, classroom activity, or laboratory exercise by stealing or collusion; (2) discovering the content of an examination, classroom activity, laboratory exercise, or homework assignment before it is given; (3) observing the work of another during an examination or providing answers to another during the course of an examination; (4) using an unauthorized source of information during an examination, classroom activity, laboratory exercise, or homework assignment; (5) entering an office, classroom, laboratory, or building to obtain unfair advantage; (6) taking an examination for another person; (7) completing a classroom activity, laboratory exercise, homework assignment, or research paper for another person; (8) altering grade records; (9) using any unauthorized form of an electronic communication device during an examination, classroom activity, or laboratory exercise; and/or, (10) plagiarism. (Plagiarism is defined as the using, stating, offering, or reporting as one's own, an idea, expression, or production of another person's work without proper credit. This includes, but is not limited to, turning in a paper purchased or acquired from any source, written by someone other than the student claiming credit, or stolen from another student.)

Students are responsible for reporting known acts of academic dishonesty to a faculty member, the program coordinator, the associate dean, and/or dean. Any student with knowledge of a violation who fails to report it shall him/herself be in violation and shall be considered to have committed an act of academic dishonesty. Additionally, any student who reports him/herself in violation of this code before it is likely that another might consider this possibility will be understood as repentant and acting in good faith. Though the confession will not excuse the

student for the violation, the confession will be considered and the violation should not result in suspension from school except in the most extreme cases.

While academic integrity and honesty are the responsibility of the individual student, each individual faculty member, teaching assistant, and/or laboratory instructor is responsible for classroom management and for maintaining ethical behavior within the classroom and/or laboratory. Faculty who discover or suspect a violation should discuss the matter with the suspected violator(s) and attempt to resolve the case at that point. In cases of convincing evidence, the faculty member should take appropriate action. The faculty member and student should complete a Counseling Sheet regarding the violation. (The Counseling Sheet should contain at a minimum the date and time of the violation, the course, the instructor's name, the student's name, an explanation of the infraction or facts of the case, and the resolution to the incident.) This form should be signed by the student, faculty member, program coordinator, and the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students will maintain a file on all violations. If a faculty member prefers to report the case directly to the Dean of Students, it remains his/her prerogative to do so. Additionally, if the faculty member and the accused student cannot reach a resolution or if the faculty member believes that suspension from school is the only fair sanction, the case should immediately be reported by the faculty member, in writing, to the Dean of Students. If the Dean of Students observes any trends in student behavior which involve more than one violation or act of academic dishonesty, the Dean is responsible for notifying all faculty members involved, for contacting the student(s) involved, and after consultation with the faculty member(s) involved for taking the appropriate action. The Dean of Students is responsible for the timely notification (normally within two weeks) to all parties of an action taken.

Students wishing to appeal a disciplinary decision involving academic integrity or acts of academic dishonesty may do so through the Student Appeals and Grievance Procedure.

Student Rights and Responsibilities:

A copy of the Student Rights and Responsibilities is available on the College website at: <http://www.clarendoncollege.edu/Resources/Student%20Services/StudentRightsResponsibilities.pdf>.

Withdrawing from (Dropping) the Course

If you decide that you are unable to complete this course or that it will be impossible to complete the course with a passing grade, you may drop the course and receive a "W" on your transcript instead. (The last day to drop a course is available on the Academic Calendar, located at the Student link on the Clarendon College website.) Withdrawal from a course is a formal procedure that you must initiate. If you do not go through the formal withdrawal procedure, you will receive whatever grade you have earned.

Whether to drop a class or not requires a lot of thought. According to Texas state law a student is only allowed to drop the same class twice before he/she will be charged triple the tuition amount for taking the class a third time or more. Furthermore, beginning with the Fall 2007 semester, students in Texas may only drop a total of 6 courses throughout their entire undergraduate career. After the 6th dropped class, he/she will no longer be able to withdraw from any classes.

If you think you need to drop this course, please talk with me about it first. It is possible that there is something you can do to still pass the course. Don't hurt your chances for a passing grade in the course by not turning in assignments or missing exams before we have discussed your situation.

Accommodations Statement

Clarendon College provides reasonable accommodations for persons with temporary or permanent disabilities. Should you require special accommodations, notify the Dean of Student Services. We will work with you to make whatever accommodations we need to make.