ANIMAL SCIENCE (ASCI)

ASCI 42 Animal Science Professional Development Experience
Prerequisites: Permission
Description: Cooperative education in an established or organized international or professional development experience program in Animal Science.
Credit Hours: 0
Max credits per semester: 0
Max credits per degree: 0
Grading Option: Pass No Pass

ASCI 95 Animal Science Major Orientation Seminar
Prerequisites: Animal Science Major
Description: The Animal Science Major Orientation Seminar provides Animal Science majors an opportunity to interact with Animal Science Faculty and other Animal Science students in an encouraging and supportive environment during their first semester in the major. Weekly topics will include discussions with Animal Science faculty, academic success resources, intrapersonal and leadership development and academic and co-curricular planning. The course is required for all Animal Science majors regardless of when the major is declared.
Credit Hours: 0
Max credits per semester: 0
Max credits per degree: 0
Grading Option: Pass No Pass
Prerequisite for: ASCI 201
Groups: Introductory

ASCI 100 Fundamentals of Animal Biology and Industry
Description: Overview of the industries in animal science; fundamentals of animal biology related to their application in those industries; and trends and current issues related to production and consumption of animal products important for human welfare.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Prerequisite for: ASCI 100L; ASCI 271
Course and Laboratory Fee: $20

ASCI 100L Fundamentals of Animal Biology and Industry Laboratory
Prerequisites: Previous or concurrent enrollment in ASCI 100
Description: Introductory animal science laboratory designed to introduce basic principles of animal biology and management.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 150 Animal Production Skills
Description: Introductory course in skills related to proper care and management of production animals. Laboratory sessions develop fundamental skills of animal husbandry.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Course and Laboratory Fee: $30

ASCI 171 Human-Companion Animal Interactions
Description: Roles of companion animals in society (therapy, research, and entertainment). The responsibilities of humans in these relationships.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 181 Beef Industry Scholars - Freshman Seminar
Notes: Letter grade only.
Description: Introduction to the Nebraska and United States beef industry. Discussion of issues by invited beef industry leaders and on-site visits of industry organizations.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: ASCI 281

ASCI 200 Animal and Carcass Evaluation
Description: Comparative evaluation of animals and their carcasses and products. Basic animal growth and development and characteristics of beef, pork, lamb, and goat used to determine carcass value. Federal and industry product standards. Introduction to the usage and interpretation of USDA market reports used to determine market value of animals and their products.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
Course and Laboratory Fee: $25

ASCI 201 Professional Development for Careers in Animal Science
Prerequisites: ASCI 95
Description: Identify potential careers related to animals and develop career goals and experiential learning plans.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: SPRING

ASCI 202 Exploring Companion Animal Nonprofits and Businesses
Description: Explore career options in the companion animal industry with nonprofits or other companion animal businesses.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded with Option
ASCI 210 Animal Products  
**Notes:** ASCI 100 or FDST 101 or FDST 131 recommended  
**Description:** Knowledge of edible animal products with particular emphasis to meat products from livestock and poultry. Includes all aspects of the meat industry from slaughter to consumption. Methods of slaughter and fabrication, conversion of muscle to meat, processing techniques, preservation and storage, and consumer related topics discussed and demonstrated.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Prerequisite for:** ASCI 310

ASCI 213 Meat Specifications and Procurement  
**Crosslisted with:** NUTR 213  
**Notes:** For those students who have an interest in a career in Culinary Science, Meat Science, and/or Dietetics.  
**Description:** Selecting and purchasing meat for the hotel, restaurant, institutional industry, and the retail markets.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Prerequisite for:** ASCI 310

ASCI 240 Anatomy and Physiology of Domestic Animals  
**Prerequisites:** BIOS 101 or LIFE 120 or equivalent; and CHEM 105A and 105L or CHEM 109A and 109L equivalent.  
**Description:** Fundamentals of the anatomy and physiology of domestic animals.  
**Credit Hours:** 4  
**Max credits per semester:** 4  
**Max credits per degree:** 4  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Prerequisite for:** ASCI 320; ASCI 341; ASCI 342; ASCI 445; ASCI 486; NUTR 450; NUTR 455; VBMS 303; VBMS 410  
**Course and Laboratory Fee:** $45

ASCI 250 Animal Management  
**Notes:** ASCI 100 recommended  
**Description:** Principles of managing animals in typical production systems. Basics of managing beef, dairy, poultry, sheep, and swine through the life cycle for economic and efficient production.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Offered:** SPRING  
**Prerequisite for:** PLAS 445, AGRO 845, ASCI 451, ASCI 851, RNGE 445, GRAS 445  
**Course and Laboratory Fee:** $10

ASCI 251 Introduction to Companion Animals  
**Description:** Overview of pets, their care, nutrition, reproduction behavior, and health issues; exploration of other ways in which these animals can be used (e.g., in therapy, teaching).  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Offered:** FALL  
**Prerequisite for:** ASCI 271

ASCI 252 Introduction to the Horse Industry and Management  
**Description:** Provides an introduction to the equine industry including history and basic biology of the horse, proper care and acceptable management procedures, and current issues. An overview of basic equine anatomy and physiology will be discussed as it relates to managerial principles associated with proper hoof care, disease prevention, breeding and genetics, nutritional management, reproduction, and animal welfare.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Prerequisite for:** ASCI 271

ASCI 254 Basic Swine Science  
**Notes:** This course is taught by Iowa State University as part of the GPIDEA/Ag*IDEA course offerings, Registration with permission from your adviser and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** Basic disciplines and concepts involved in swine production including: industry structure, trends and statistics; production phases and building; genetic improvement; reproduction; nutrition; health and bio-security; nutrient management; marketing and meat quality; and career opportunities in the swine industry.  
**Credit Hours:** 2  
**Max credits per semester:** 2  
**Max credits per degree:** 2  
**Grading Option:** Graded  
**Prerequisite for:** ASCI 354J; ASCI 354K; ASCI 354M

ASCI 256 Basic Equitation  
**Prerequisites:** Sophomore standing  
**Description:** Study and application of basic equitation principles for the novice rider. Review of fundamental horse safety and horsemanship to include handling, grooming, equipping, riding western or English, and the relationship of riding to physical and mental well-being. Development of balanced seat, hands and posture at all the natural gaits of the horse. Emphasis will be on control of the horse through the use of the primary and secondary aids. Welfare and communication considerations in order to have effective horse-human relationships.  
**Credit Hours:** 2  
**Max credits per semester:** 2  
**Max credits per degree:** 2  
**Grading Option:** Graded  
**Prerequisite for:** ASCI 360  
**Course and Laboratory Fee:** $125

ASCI 271 Companion Animal and Equine Behavior  
**Prerequisites:** ASCI 100 or ASCI 251 or ASCI 252 or BIOS 101 or LIFE 120  
**Description:** Companion animal and equine behavior. Application of behavior principles to describe normal and problem behaviors of common companion animals and horses.  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Max credits per semester:** 3  
**Max credits per degree:** 3  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Offered:** SPRING
ASCI 281 Beef Industry Scholars - Issues
Prerequisites: ASCI 181
Notes: Letter grade only
Description: Nebraska beef industry and supporting organizations (the Nebraska Cattlemen and the Nebraska Beef Council). Tours, attending meetings, and discussion of issues by invited beef industry leaders.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded
Prerequisite for: ASCI 311E

ASCI 300A Principles of Meat Evaluation, Grading and Judging
Description: Comparative evaluation of meat characteristics of beef carcasses, beef primal cuts, pork carcasses, pork primal cuts, and lamb carcasses. Federal grade standards for beef carcass and application of USDA Institutional Meat Purchase Specifications.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: ASCI 400A

ASCI 300B Principles of Livestock Evaluation and Judging
Prerequisites: Junior standing. ASCI 200 recommended.
Notes: Opportunity to become members of the University of Nebraska Livestock Judging Team.
Description: Principles of livestock judging and presentation of oral reasons. Evaluation of body structure and composition differences in breeding and market livestock as related to their use in meat production. Live animal, performance records, genetic evaluations, and breeding livestock scenarios evaluated. Presentation of oral reasons to defend selection decisions.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL/SPR
Prerequisite for: ASCI 300D; ASCI 400B
Experiential Learning: Fieldwork

ASCI 300D Principles of Meat Animal Evaluation
Prerequisites: ASCI 300B
Notes: The University of Nebraska Meat Animal Evaluation Team will be selected from students in this course.
Description: Further expertise in breeding animal, market animal, and carcass evaluation. Live animal and carcass grading and pricing.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: SPRING
Experiential Learning: Fieldwork

ASCI 300E Principles of Horse Evaluation and Judging
Notes: Students will have an opportunity to become members of the University of Nebraska Horse Judging Team.
Description: Conformation associated with equine structural form and performance standards. Evaluation of performance classes as governed by breed association standards and industry regulations. Presentation of oral reasons to defend selection decisions.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: SPRING
Experiential Learning: Fieldwork

ASCI 310 Fresh Meats
Prerequisites: ASCI 210
Description: Fresh meat from beef, pork, lamb, and poultry. Characteristics of muscle, meat technology, preservation, merchandising concepts, and markets.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Course and Laboratory Fee: $40

ASCI 311A Equine Industry Study Tour
Description: Study tour of livestock and/or meat/food processors. Provide an understanding of the industry's operations and problems.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Course and Laboratory Fee: $300

ASCI 311B Meat Industry Study Tour
Description: Study tour of livestock and/or meat/food processors. Provide an understanding of the industry's operations and problems.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Course and Laboratory Fee: $200

ASCI 311E Beef Industry Study Tour
Prerequisites: ASCI 281
Notes: Supplements to the class include invited speakers. A summer tour is required. Letter grade only
Description: Identify beef cattle related enterprises that represent the breadth of the cattle industry. Prioritize these enterprises as candidates for inclusion in the summer tour.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded
Prerequisite for: ASCI 381
ASCI 320 Animal Nutrition and Feeding
Prerequisites: ASCI 240 or 340; CHEM 106A and CHEM 106L or CHEM 110A and CHEM 110L.
Description: Fundamentals of nutrition and feeding of domestic livestock, nutrients and nutrient requirements, characteristics of feedstuffs, methods of feeding, and the feed industry.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL/SPR
Prerequisite for: ASCI 321; ASCI 450; ASCI 455; ASCI 457; ASCI 486

ASCI 321 Companion Animal Nutrition
Prerequisites: ASCI 320 or NRES 311; CHEM 106A and 106L or CHEM 110A and 110L.
Description: Digestive anatomy and physiology of companion animals including dogs, cats, small mammals, and exotic species. Unique nutrient requirements, pet food formulation, and regulations.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: SPRING

ASCI 322 Equine Nutrition
Notes: ASCI 320 recommended. Offered in odd numbered calendar years.
Description: Equine nutrition including digestive anatomy and physiology. Nutritional requirements of horses as related to growth, reproduction, and performance. The relationship of nutrition to disease and environment. Management practices and application of current equine nutritional research.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Prerequisite for: ASCI 450

ASCI 330 Animal Breeding and Genetics
Prerequisites: PLAS 215 or BIOS 206; STAT 218.
Description: Principles of animal genetics and genomics, and their application to improvement of livestock and companion animals. Topics include: characterization of allelic and genetic variation associated with animal performance, principles of selection, inbreeding and crossbreeding, advances in molecular genetics, and their applications to the development of breeding programs to enhance animal productivity and well-being.
Credit Hours: 4
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: ASCI 455
Course and Laboratory Fee: $20

ASCI 340 Animal Physiological Systems
Prerequisites: LIFE 121; CHEM 110A and 110L
Description: A comprehensive look at the major physiological systems that comprise the mammalian body. Anatomical organization and functionality of the nervous system, muscle, cardiovascular system, respiratory system, digestive system, urinary system, reproductive system, endocrine system, and immune system. Labs offer hands-on learning experiences through dissections, clinical demonstrations, and interactive multimedia.
Credit Hours: 4
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: ASCI 320; ASCI 341; ASCI 342; ASCI 445; ASCI 486; VBMS 303; VBMS 403; VBMS 410

ASCI 341 Physiology and Management of Reproduction
Prerequisites: ASCI 240 or 340
Description: Comparative anatomy and physiology of reproduction in domestic animals. Endocrine regulation of reproductive function, patterns of reproduction, economic consequences of sub-optimal reproductive performance, environmental influences on reproductive efficiency, application of selected techniques for controlling reproduction. Laboratory provides application of techniques used in reproductive management.
Credit Hours: 4
Max credits per semester: 4
Max credits per degree: 4
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: ASCI 455
Course and Laboratory Fee: $55

ASCI 342 Equine Reproduction
Prerequisites: ASCI 240 or 340 or BIOS 213.
Notes: ASCI 341 recommended
Description: Anatomy and physiology of stallion and mare reproductive systems. Estrous detection systems, artificial and natural breeding techniques, infertility, semen collection and processing, reproductive management, and record keeping.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: SPRING

ASCI 354A Swine Breeding & Gestation
Notes: This course is taught by North Carolina State University and is part of the GPIDEA/AgIDEA courses offerings. Registration with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education.
Description: Concepts related to: reproductive physiology and endocrinology of boars and sows; genetic selection programs; development programs for future replacement gilts and boars; semen collection, evaluation, and preparation; detection of estrus and artificial insemination; pregnancy diagnosis; feeding and house programs for gestating sows; environmental management; records; diseases; and development of quality assurance programs for identifying and solving reproductive problems.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded
ASCI 354B Swine Farrowing Management  
**Notes:** This course is taught by the University of Missouri and is part of the GPIDEA/AgIDEA course offerings. Registration with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** Advanced integration and application of reproductive management concepts during farrowing and lactation. Identification of production trends; formulation of strategies to improve productivity; and parturition and neonatal management.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 1  
**Grading Option:** Graded

ASCI 354D Swine Nursery Management  
**Notes:** This course is taught by Penn State as part of the GPIDEA/Ag*IDEA course offerings. Registration with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** Overview of the critical management, housing, and financial considerations relevant to the successful operation of a swine nursery, grow-finish, or wean to finish enterprise, including: nutrient requirements; building and facility management; and marketing.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 1  
**Grading Option:** Graded

ASCI 354E Employee Management for Swine Industry  
**Notes:** This course is taught by an institutional member of the GPIDEA/AgIDEA consortium. Registration is with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** Effective employee management in swine production units. Assist students in understanding the principles, policies, and practices related to procurement, development, maintenance, and utilization of employees.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 1  
**Grading Option:** Graded

ASCI 354F Swine Environment Management  
**Notes:** This course is taught by Iowa State University as part of the GPIDEA/AgIDEA consortium. Registration with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** Response of swine to thermal environment, ventilation system design and analysis, heating and cooling systems and examples of various designs for all phases of production. Trouble shooting ventilation systems and energy analysis of production units.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 1  
**Grading Option:** Graded

ASCI 354J Advanced Swine Science  
**Prerequisites:** ASCI 254  
**Notes:** This course is taught by Kansas State University and is part of the GPIDEA/AgIDEA consortium. Registration is with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** An in-depth application of basic concepts covered in Basic Swine Science, focused on the scientific principles to the economical and sustainable production of pork. Detailed analysis of benchmarking, production systems, reproduction, pig flow, ventilation, and herd health are discussed. Become knowledgeable regarding the science, complexity, and technology applied in modern swine production businesses.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 1  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

ASCI 354K Swine Health and Biosecurity  
**Prerequisites:** ASCI 254  
**Notes:** This course is taught by Iowa State University and is part of the GPIDEA/AgIDEA consortium. Registration is with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** Overview of standard biosecurity protocols and identification of behavior and clinical signs of illness in pigs. Treatment administration and prevention methods. Introduction to immune system function and basic swine disease transmission.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 1  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

ASCI 354M Marketing and Risk Management in the Swine Industry  
**Prerequisites:** ASCI 254  
**Notes:** This course is taught by North Carolina State University and is part of the GPIDEA/AgIDEA consortium. Registration is with permission from your advisor and CASNR Online Education Office.  
**Description:** Describe industry structure, markets, and risk that characterize the US swine sector. Review futures and options markets and contracts and their usage to manage risks in US swine production.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 1  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

ASCI 354N Advanced Equitation  
**Prerequisites:** Junior standing. ASCI 260 and/or permission.  
**Description:** Study and application of maneuvers basic to performance excellence. Assigned student mounts expected to show satisfactory progress toward standards of excellence in Western and English performance.  
**Credit Hours:** 2  
**Max credits per semester:** 2  
**Max credits per degree:** 2  
**Grading Option:** Graded with Option  
**Course and Laboratory Fee:** $100

ASCI 360 Advanced Equestrian Team Horsemanship/Equitation  
**Notes:** May be repeated for a total of 4 credit hours.  
**Description:** Application of equestrian horsemanship and equitation skills through practices and horsemanship competitions in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association.  
**Credit Hours:** 1  
**Max credits per semester:** 1  
**Max credits per degree:** 4  
**Grading Option:** Pass No Pass
ASCI 370 Animal Welfare
Prerequisites: Junior standing or permission.
Description: In-depth exploration of the issues involved in animal use. The historical, biological, ethical, and social aspects of human/animal interactions in Western culture.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 381 Beef Industry Scholars - Practicum
Prerequisites: ASCI 311E, ALEC 350
Notes: Letter grade only.
Description: Financial risk management, beef processing, animal health, and related emerging issues.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: SPRING
Prerequisite for: ASCI 481

ASCI 395A Experiential Learning for Career Development in Animal Sciences - Industry Experiences
Description: Extension and application of the animal science curriculum within the context of industry (e.g., internship), extension and service, research, or teaching experience.
Credit Hours: 1-6
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 395B Extension and Service Experiences
Description: Extension and application of the animal science curriculum within the context of industry (e.g., internship), extension and service, research, or teaching experience. A faculty adviser for the area of interest must be identified prior to registering for the course.
Credit Hours: 1-6
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Prerequisite for: ASCI 482, AECN 482
Experiential Learning: Internship/Co-op

ASCI 395E Experiential Learning for Career Development in Animal Sciences - Undergraduate Teaching Experience
Description: Extension and application of the animal science curriculum within the context of industry (e.g., internship), extension and service, research, or teaching experience.
Credit Hours: 1-6
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL/SPR
Experiential Learning: Student Teaching/Education Practicum

ASCI 399 Independent Study in Animal Science
Prerequisites: Permission.
Description: Individual or group projects in research, literature review, or extension of course work under supervision and evaluation of a departmental faculty member.
Credit Hours: 1-5
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 5
Max credits per degree: 12
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 400A Advanced Meat Grading and Evaluation
Prerequisites: ASCI 300A
Notes: Must be an active member of the current semester’s Meat Judging Team.
Description: Comparative evaluation of the meat characteristics of beef, pork, and lamb that affect product merit and the scientific basis of the factors that influence the relative value. Federal meat grades and their application, industry grading system and their application, and application of Institutional Meat Purchase Specifications. Application of the above topics, as well as critical decision making and written justification of meat product merit, practiced in-depth.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL/SPR

ASCI 400B Advanced Livestock Evaluation and Judging
Prerequisites: ASCI 300B or equivalent experience.
Notes: The University of Nebraska Senior Livestock Judging Team will be selected from students in this course.
Description: Livestock judging and evaluation applying principles learned in ASCI 300B. Field trips to commercial and purebred livestock operations and exhibitions. Network with producers to learn varied livestock production philosophies. Develop a proficiency in brief, concise oral presentation of reasons for making a decision.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL/SPR
Experiential Learning: Fieldwork
ASCI 400E Advanced Horse Evaluation and Judging
Prerequisites: Permission
Notes: ASCI 300E recommended. Departmental consent required. The University Horse Judging Team will be selected from students in this course. Field trips are a major component of the course.
Description: Advanced horse judging and analysis. Evaluate conformation and score multiple performance events. The development and presentation of concise oral reasons to defend placing decisions.
Credit Hours: 1-2
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
Experiential Learning: Fieldwork

ASCI 410 Processed Meats
Crosslisted with: ASCI 810
Prerequisites: ASCI 210 or FDST 205.
Description: Science and technology of modern meat processing. Utilization of meat, non-meat ingredients, and processing techniques and their impact on processed meat characteristics. Laboratory provides hands-on application with the preparation, development, and evaluation of processed meats products.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: SPRING
Course and Laboratory Fee: $40

ASCI 411 HACCP and Food Safety Systems for the Food Industry
Prerequisites: An understanding of food production and processing operations. Recommended: ASCI 310, 410, and FDST 205; or NUTR 343.
Description: Principles, implementation, sanitation, and standard operating procedures that function to support the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) System. Food safety hazards and their relationship to food borne illness in the meat and food industry.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 419 Meat Investigations
Crosslisted with: ASCI 819, FDST 419, FDST 819
Prerequisites: ASCI 210
Description: Conduct independent research and study meat industry problems in processing, production, storage, and preparation of meat and meat products.
Credit Hours: 1-3
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 421 Advanced Animal Nutrition
Crosslisted with: ASCI 821
Prerequisites: ASCI 320
Description: Advanced course dealing with the nutrition of domestic animals. In-depth coverage of nutrients, nutrient metabolism, and nutrient requirements. Biochemical and physiological functions of nutrients in life processes.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Prerequisite for: ASCI 925, NUTR 925; ASCI 926, NUTR 926; ASCI 927, NUTR 927
Offered: SPRING

ASCI 422 Advanced Feeding and Feed Formulation
Crosslisted with: ASCI 822
Prerequisites: ASCI 320 or equivalent.
Description: Feeding practices for domestic animals. Applied animal nutrition and feed formulation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 431 Advanced Animal Breeding
Crosslisted with: ASCI 831
Prerequisites: ASCI 330
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 432 Genome Analysis
Crosslisted with: ASCI 832
Prerequisites: PLAS 215 and BIOC 401 or equivalent
Description: Theoretical and practical aspects of: structure and function of eukaryotic genomes; genome sequencing and assembling, polymorphism and isoform detection and genotyping; gene and genome annotation; strategies used to identify genetic variants responsible for phenotypic differences; and personalized genomics, social and ethical aspects associated with genomic information.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: SPRING
ASC 441 New Techniques in Reproductive Biology
Crosslisted with: ASC 841
Prerequisites: ASC 341 or equivalent.
Description: Mammalian early embryonic development. Basic aspects of embryology and development biology. Modern technologies in animal reproductive biology, in vitro maturation and fertilization, embryo transfer, cloning, assisted reproductive technologies, transgenic animals, and embryonic stem cells.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Course and Laboratory Fee: $100

ASC 442 Endocrinology
Crosslisted with: ASC 842, BIOS 442, BIOS 842, VBMS 842
Prerequisites: A course in vertebrate physiology and/or biochemistry.
Description: Mammalian endocrine glands from the standpoint of their structure, their physiological function in relation to the organism, the chemical nature and mechanisms of action of their secretory products, and the nature of anomalies manifested with their dysfunction.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASC 443 Physiology of Animal Cells and Tissues
Crosslisted with: ASC 843
Prerequisites: ASC 240 or ASC 340 or BIOS 213
Description: Molecular, cellular, and tissue dependent functions of neurons, skeletal and smooth muscle, vasculature, and immune cells. Cellular regulation of important physiological processes including blood flow, gas exchange, inorganic solute homeostasis, acid-base balance, water balance, appetite control, and thermal regulation will also be studied. Understand cellular and molecular processes that ensure homeostasis and promote integration of physiological systems.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: SPRING

ASC 444 Domestic Animal Immunology
Crosslisted with: ASC 844
Prerequisites: LIFE 120; LIFE 121; ASC 240 or BIOS 213 or ASC 340
Description: Learn the fundamental knowledge of the animal immune system, and how to utilize immunology to improve animal health and production. Become familiar with common immunoassays, immunological diseases and immunotherapy.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: FALL
Groups: Biology, Psychology, & Politics

ASC 445 Equine and Canine Exercise Science
Prerequisites: ASC 240 or ASC 340
Description: Physiological adaptations to athletic training in equine and canine athletes. Topics of emphasis include exercise-related adaptations in metabolism, locomotion, the cardiovascular system, musculoskeletal system, and endocrine system. The roles of nutrition and conditioning programs on exercise.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: FALL

ASC 450 Horse Management
Prerequisites: ASC 240 or ASC 340
Notes: ASC 341 or 342 recommended
Description: Light horse production. Nutrition, reproduction, management, housing, and principle usage of light horses.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
ACE: ACE 10 Integrated Product

ASC 451 Livestock Management on Range and Pasture
Crosslisted with: PLAS 445, AGRO 845, ASCI 851, RNGE 445, GRAS 445
Prerequisites: ASC 250 and PLAS 240 or PLAS 340
Notes: AECN 201 recommended. Capstone course. All students required to participate in a one-week field trip in central or western Nebraska prior to beginning of fall semester. Therefore, students must notify instructor at time of early registration (Dates are given in class schedule.)
Description: Analyzing the plant and animal resources and economic aspects of pasturage. Management of pasture and range for continued high production emphasized.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
ACE: ACE 10 Integrated Product
Course and Laboratory Fee: $300

ASC 455 Beef Cow-Calf Management
Prerequisites: Senior standing or permission; ASCI 320; ASCI 330 or 341
Description: Integrated management specific to the beef cow-calf enterprise necessary to achieve biologic and economic efficiency.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASC 456 Beef Cattle Merchandising
Prerequisites: Senior standing. ASCI 300B and 330 recommended.
Notes: Students are responsible for planning and conducting the annual UNL bull sale.
Description: Develop skills to merchandise breeding cattle including advertising, genetic and phenotype selection, data collection, and conducting a bull sale.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded with Option
ASCI 457 Beef Feedlot Management
Prerequisites: Senior standing or permission; ASCI 320
Description: Advanced preparation in the feeding of cattle for slaughter. Emphasis on the nutrition and management of feedlot cattle and related health and economic considerations. Covers the beef enterprise from weaning to market and relates closely to beef cow-calf production.
Credit Hours: 2
Max credits per semester: 2
Max credits per degree: 2
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 481 Beef Industry Scholars - Beef Summit
Prerequisites: ASCI 381
Notes: Requires working with the Nebraska Cattlemen and the instructor to develop the summit. Letter grade only.
Description: Identification of a major issue confronting the Nebraska beef industry. Organize a Nebraska summit meeting to discuss and bring the identified issue to resolution.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: FALL
Prerequisite for: ASCI 482, AECN 482

ASCI 482 Beef Industry Scholars - National Beef Industry Policy
Crosslisted with: AECN 482
Prerequisites: ASCI 481; ASCI 395A or ASCI 395B or GRAS 490 or AECN 495C
Notes: Requires attending the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) annual convention and then, communicating the new policy and issues to local organizations and undergraduate student groups. Letter grade only.
Description: Discuss and dissect issues from the NCBA convention researching the pros and cons of current and proposed policy.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Graded
Offered: SPRING
Experiential Learning: Fieldwork

ASCI 485 Animal Systems Analysis
Prerequisites: Junior or Senior standing or permission
Notes: For majors in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources with an interest in careers in livestock production units, the meat industry, or related agribusiness.
Description: Goal setting, information gathering, and application of problem solving methods in animal science. Develops ability to analyze and solve problems in all segments of animal science by integration of information from all pertinent disciplines and sources.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL/SPR
ACE: ACE 10 Integrated Product

ASCI 486 Animal Biological Systems
Prerequisites: Junior or Senior standing; ASCI 240 or 340; ASCI 320; AGRO 215 or BIOS 206
Notes: Capstone course. For seniors with an interest in careers involving animal science disciplines, animal biology, and related fields.
Description: How to integrate information from the animal science disciplines to understanding animals as biological systems. The processes of growth, adaptation, and lactation. Analyzing the interrelationship of each discipline within animal production. Using case studies, scenarios, and problem solving assignments to examine how alterations in nutrition and metabolism, genetic makeup, endocrine profile and/or the environment impact or effect the animal as a whole.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option
Offered: FALL
ACE: ACE 10 Integrated Product

ASCI 490A Animal Science Internship - Beef Feedlot Management
Prerequisites: Acceptance into the Beef Feedlot Management Program.
Description: Management internship in a beef feedlot. Organizational and financial structure of the beef feedlot and experience in making decisions related to: animal production, marketing, business management, and personnel management.
Credit Hours: 1-3
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Grading Option: Graded with Option

ASCI 491 Animal Science Seminar
Prerequisites: Senior standing.
Description: Student-led discussion of selected current topics significant to the livestock, poultry, and meat industry. Concerns and issues of society as they relate to local, national, and international animal agriculture.
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Grading Option: Pass No Pass

ASCI 496 Independent Study in Animal Science
Crosslisted with: ASCI 896
Prerequisites: 12 hrs animal science or closely related areas and permission.
Description: Individual or group projects in research, literature review, or extension of course work under the supervision and evaluation of a departmental faculty member.
Credit Hours: 1-5
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 5
Max credits per degree: 12
Grading Option: Graded with Option
ASCI 499H Honors Thesis
Prerequisites: Admission to the University Honors Program and permission; AGRI 299H recommended.
Description: Conduct a scholarly research project and write a University Honors Program or undergraduate thesis.
Credit Hours: 3-6
Min credits per semester: 3
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Grading Option: Graded