MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE

Faculty are required to have the outline submitted to the Academic Affairs Office. The course outline is the form used for approval of new courses by the Collegewide Curriculum Committee.

DEPT. Farm Business Management COURSE NO. FBMA 2133
NUMBER OF CREDITS: 2
COURSE TITLE: Directed Studies in Farm Business and/or Family Transition
CATALOG DESCRIPTION: This course provides the opportunity for the student to study the many aspects of farm business and/or family transition which occur in the typical farm business.

AUDIENCE: Farm business operators or managers or others with consent of instructor.

FULFILLS MN TRANSFER CURRICULUM AREA(S): (Leave blank if not applicable)
Area : by meeting the following competencies:
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PREREQUISITES OR NECESSARY ENTRY SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE: None

LENGTH OF COURSE: 1 Semester

THIS COURSE IS USUALLY OFFERED:
Every other year [ ] fall [ ] spring [ ] summer [ ] undetermined [ ]

Four goals are emphasized in course at Minnesota West Community & Technical College:

1) ACADEMIC CONTENT:
   a. Classify various farm business structures & how they vary during family transition
   b. Distinguish farm business transfer strategies

2) THINKING SKILLS:
   a. Lay out & implement a family transition plan to address transition needs, concerns, & goals
   b. Analyze strategies for retirement planning as a part of family transition
   c. Apply tools & techniques developed in diploma & certificate programs

3) COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS:
   a. Promote administrative skills
   b. Identify family and/or individual transition needs and concerns

4) HUMAN DIVERSITY:
   a. Improve written and oral presentation skills
   b. Develop team and/or project management skills

TOPICS TO BE COVERED: Family transition planning; farm business transfer strategies for retirement planning as a part of family transition; farm business structures; administrative skills; written and oral presentation skills; and tools and techniques developed in diploma and certificate programs.
LIST OF EXPECTED COURSE OUTCOMES: This course will focus on the many methods of farm business and/or family transition, problems confronted during transition, family and/or individual transition needs and concerns, how to plan for farm business and/or family transition, and actually implementing a farm business and/or family transition plan.

LEARNING/TEACHING TECHNIQUES used in the course are:

- Collaborative Learning
- Problem Solving
- Student Presentations
- Interactive Lectures
- Creative Projects
- Individual Coaching
- Lecture
- Films/Videos/Slides
- Demonstrations
- Individual Coaching
- Lab

This course will be delivered through individual instructional sessions, small group seminars, classroom instruction, or any combination of these.

ASSIGNMENTS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THIS CLASS INCLUDE:

- Reading
- Tests
- Individual Projects
- Oral Presentations
- Worksheets
- Collaborative Projects
- Textbook Problems
- Papers
- Portfolio
- Group Problems
- Term Paper
- Other (describe below)

TEXT: Current and relevant materials as needed.

Each student will contribute a total of 54 hours of effort per credit toward the completion of this course. Instructor will use Farm Business Management Student Assessment Form.

EXPECTED STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: Students will be evaluated on their ability to:

1) Identify farm business and/or family transition strategies
2) Plan and utilize farm business and/or family transition strategies
3) Explain the importance of farm business and/or family transition planning
4) Understand the role that each family member plays in transition planning

The information in this course outline is subject to revision

Veteran Services: Minnesota West is dedicated to assisting veterans and eligible family members in achieving their educational goals efficiently. Active duty and reserve/guard military members should advise their instructor of all regularly scheduled military appointments and duties that conflict with scheduled course requirements. Instructors will make every effort to work with the student to identify adjusted timelines. If you are a veteran, please contact the Minnesota West Veterans Service Office.

To receive reasonable accommodations for a documented disability, please contact the campus Student Services Advisor or campus Disability Coordinator as arrangements must be made in advance. In addition, students are encouraged to notify their instructor.

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