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: We maintain “open door” policies to maximize student access. If you have trouble finding us, feel free to make an appointment.

: To introduce students to the tools necessary to make good environmental and natural resource management decisions in the face of complexity, uncertainty, and competing values and to enhance students' critical thinking skills. By the end of this course, you should be able to:

(science, economics, ethics/values, and policy) upon which natural resource management decisions are made.

when evaluating information and be able to distinguish between fact, theory, and opinion.

Independently to support positions in natural resource issues.

, both orally and in writing.

employed by resource managers in decision-making.

(“big picture” sense) on perspectives (“points of view” sense).

: Conroy, MJ & JT Peterson. 2013. Decision making in natural resource management: A structured, adaptive approach. Wiley-Blackwell, Hoboken, NJ. 474 pp. Other required readings will be assigned and made available via Blackboard

NRM 101 or permission of instructor.

. The emphasis is on discussion and active learning, lecture and passive learning. Class participation is a substantial portion of your final grade, and depends on both your presence in class and the quality of your participation. More than two absences will reduce your class participation grade. Participation quality depends on active participation in discussions, thoughtful comments, and good questions. Effort counts here. We will do all we can to provide the atmosphere necessary for fun and challenging discussions.

, reflecting our emphasis on clarity of communication. Although some new information will be presented, the emphasis will be on improving how you synthesize and work with information you already have, e.g., from previous courses.

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