

**SEWARD COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COURSE SYLLABUS**

I. TITLE OF COURSE: AG1712- Livestock Selection II

**II. COURSE DESCRIPTION: 2 credit hours
2 credit hours of lecture and 0 credit hours of lab per week.**

Emphasis on live animal evaluation of Beef Cattle, Swine, Sheep, Meat Goats and Horses. Animal evaluation will include study of live animals, animal performance records, carcass grading, and oral defense of decisions made in evaluations.

For each unit of credit, a minimum of three hours per week with one of the hours for class and two hours for studying/preparation outside of class is expected.

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Pre-requisite: NA

III. PROGRAM AND/OR DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT:

The agricultural program at Seward County Community College provides opportunities to further each student's knowledge and apply specific methods and techniques to the management and performance of agricultural operations.

IV. TEXTBOOK AND MATERIALS:

No Textbook Required

V. SCCC OUTCOMES

Students who successfully complete this course will demonstrate the ability to do the following SCCC Outcomes.

I: Read with comprehension, be critical of what they read, and apply knowledge gained to real life

II: Communicate ideas clearly and proficiently in writing, appropriately adjusting content and arrangement for varying audiences, purposes, and situations.

III: Communicate their ideas clearly and proficiently in speaking, appropriately adjusting content and arrangement for varying audiences, purposes, and situations.

V: Demonstrate the ability to think critically by gathering facts, generating insights, analyzing data, and evaluating information

VIII: Show the ability to contribute to political, civic, and community responsibilities as an informed member of society

IX: Exhibit workplace skills that include respect for others, teamwork competence, attendance/punctuality, decision making, conflict resolution, truthfulness/honesty, positive attitude, judgment, and responsibility

VI. COURSE OUTCOMES:

The student will be able to judge and evaluate beef cattle, swine, sheep, and horses.
The student will be able to estimate animal carcass traits based on live animal evaluation.
The student will be able to orally justify the reasoning for selecting the animals in a certain order.

The student will be able to use livestock production and performance records as an aid in

livestock selection.

The student will increase skills in decision making, setting priorities, orally defending a decision, and public speaking.

VII. COURSE OUTLINE:

1. Fundamentals of Livestock Selection
2. Organization of Oral Reasons
3. Selection and Placing Process of Livestock Judging
4. Livestock Terminology
5. Livestock Contest Operation
6. Professionalism in a Judging Contest
7. Animal Performance Testing and Records

VIII. INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS:

Lecture
Livestock judging workouts
Class handouts
Livestock judging contests

IX. INSTRUCTIONAL AND RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Live Animal Carcass Evaluation and Selection Manual, Boggs & Merkel
SCCC Livestock Judging Manual
Various Breed and Livestock Publications
Livestock Producers
Livestock Shows
Livestock Classes

X. METHODS OF ASSESSMENT:

Methods of assessing the general course outcomes and the specific course competencies include class participation, judging scores, and attendance.
SCCC Outcome #1 will be assessed and measured by class participation and comprehension of material read.
SCCC Outcome #2 and Outcome #3 will be assessed and measured by oral and written reasons over livestock judging classes at contests, and workouts.
SCCC Outcome #5 will be assessed and measured by contest and workout results from live animal evaluations.
SCCC Outcome #8 will be assessed and measured by students responding to diverse situations and environments through traveling to various livestock judging competitions and workouts.
SCCC Outcome #9 will be assessed and measured by students reacting with fellow classmates, the instructor, and all people encountered during the judging experience.

XI. ADA STATEMENT:

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, Seward County Community College will make reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities. If you need support or assistance because of a disability, you may be eligible for academic accommodations. Students should identify themselves to the Dean of Students at 620-417-1106 or going to the Student Success Center in the Hobbie Academic building, room 149 A.

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