Department of Forest and Rangeland Stewardship

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Undergraduate  
Majors  
• Major in Fire and Emergency Services Administration  
• Major in Forestry  
  • Forest Biology Concentration  
  • Forest Fire Science Concentration  
  • Forest Management Concentration  
  • Forestry-Business Concentration  
• Major in Natural Resources Management  
• Major in Rangeland Ecology  
  • Conservation and Management Concentration  
  • Range and Forest Management Concentration  
  • Restoration Ecology Concentration

Minors  
• Minor in Ecological Restoration  
• Minor in Forestry  
• Minor in Range Ecology  
• Minor in Spatial Information Management

Graduate  
Graduate Programs in Forest and Rangeland Stewardship  
The department offers graduate programs leading to Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Forest Sciences and Rangeland Ecosystem Science, and to Master of Natural Resources Stewardship with specializations in Ecological Restoration, Forest Sciences, and Rangeland Ecosystems. Students interested in graduate work should refer to the Graduate and Professional Bulletin and the Department of Forest and Rangeland Stewardship (http://warnercnr.colostate.edu/frs-graduate-study/graduate-program).

Master Programs  
• Master of Science in Forest Sciences, Plan A*  
• Master of Science in Forest Sciences, Plan B*  
• Master of Natural Resources Stewardship, Plan C, Ecological Restoration Specialization  
• Master of Natural Resources Stewardship, Plan C, Forest Sciences Specialization  
• Master of Natural Resources Stewardship Plan C, Rangeland Ecosystems Specialization  
• Master of Natural Resources Stewardship Plan C, Sustainable Military Lands Management Specialization  
• Master of Science in Rangeland Ecosystem Science, Plan A*  
• Master of Science in Rangeland Ecosystem Science, Plan B*

Ph.D.  
• Ph.D. in Forest Sciences*  
• Ph.D in Rangeland Ecosystem Science*

* Please see department for program of study.

Courses  
Subjects in this department include: Fire and Emergency Service Administration (FESA), Forest and Rangeland Stewardship (F), and Rangeland Ecosystem Science (RS).

Fire and Emergency Service Administration (FESA)  
FESA 310  Fire Service Leadership  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)  
Course Description: Theory, practice, and application of ethical leadership in public safety; developing personal ethics and leadership skills and abilities.  
Prerequisite: None.  
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.  
Term Offered: Fall.  
Grade Mode: Traditional.  
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 330  Industrial Processes and Fire Protection  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)  
Course Description: Industrial processes and fire protection managed by fire and safety personnel.  
Prerequisite: None.  
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.  
Term Offered: Summer (even years).  
Grade Mode: Traditional.  
Special Course Fee: No.
FESA 331 Structure Influence on Tactics and Strategy  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: How construction type, alterations, design and materials influence a building’s reaction to fire. Fireground influence on tactics and strategy.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Summer.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 333 Proposals/Reports in Fire Service Management  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Process of preparing reports and developing a proposal supported by research. Introduction to research techniques, Internet and library use; conventions of documentation.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 334 Orientation to Experiential Learning  Credit: 1 (0-0-1)
Course Description: Demonstration of knowledge, skill, and professional experience for the purpose of enhancing documentation and career development skills.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 335 Trends in Fire Science Technologies  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Analytical tools designed to evaluate, align, select, and implement emerging fire science technologies.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 336 Fire Emergency Services Administration  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Fire and emergency service administrative structures and processes. Examination of management and leadership models and applications.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 337 Policy and Public Administration  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Political and legal foundations of fire and emergency services. Public administration concepts, decision making and policy development.
Prerequisite: FESA 334.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 338 Essentials of Emergency Management  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Emergency management theory; mitigation, planning, response, and recovery in large-scale incidents. Development/operation of emergency operation centers.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 339 Incident Command Systems  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Theory and application of incident command systems (ICS) to the command and coordination of major emergency operations.
Prerequisite: FESA 334.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Summer.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 341 Fire Officer I-A  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Fire officer competencies at the supervisory level of performance, as confirmed by NFPA Standard 1021, Level I, 4.1 to 4.4.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Enrollment in FESA program or written consent of instructor. Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (odd years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 342 Fire Officer I-B  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Fire officer competencies at the supervisory level of performance, as confirmed by NFPA Standard 1021, Level II, 4.5 to 4.7.
Prerequisite: FESA 341 with a minimum grade of C.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (odd years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 343 Fire and Emergency Services Budgeting  Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Application of emergency service budgeting systems with emphasis on revenues, public financial controls, capital funding and performance measures.
Prerequisites: FESA 333 and FESA 336.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.
FESA 433 Fire and Emergency: Human Resources Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Theory, practice, and models of human resources applied to emergency organizations; workforce development, HR functions, and labor relation.
Prerequisites: FESA 333 and FESA 336.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 434 Training Program Management Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Development of agency training and education programs. Utilization of training and education practices, resources, facilities and technologies.
Prerequisites: FESA 432 and FESA 433.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Spring (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 435 Volunteer/Combination Organization Management Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Development and management of fire and emergency service organizations with volunteer and combination resources.
Prerequisites: FESA 432 and FESA 433.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 436 Fire Protection Through Model Building Codes Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Overview of the most current fire codes that are used across the United States. Discussion of fire inspection methodology and enforcement practices.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 437 Fire and Emergency: Legal Considerations Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Fire Service in relation to the complex legal system of the United States, individual states and local jurisdictions.
Prerequisites: FESA 432 and FESA 433.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 438 Prevention Program Management Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Design, implementation, and evaluation of fire and risk prevention programs using education, engineering, and enforcement approaches.
Prerequisites: FESA 432 and FESA 433.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 439 Service Management Simulation Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Integration management and administrative knowledge and skills in the development of a fire and emergency service management simulation.
Prerequisites: FESA 432 and FESA 433.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 440 Independent Study Credits: Var[1-6]
Course Description: Discussion and documentation of professional experience in fire and emergency services.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Written consent of instructor. Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 441 Fire Officer II-A Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Fire officer competencies at the supervisory/managerial level of performance, as confirmed by NFPA Standard 1021, Level II, 5.1 to 5.4.
Prerequisite: FESA 342 with a minimum grade of C.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 442 Fire Officer II-B Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Fire officer competencies at the supervisory/managerial level of performance, as confirmed by NFPA Standard 1021, Level II, 5.5 to 5.7.
Prerequisite: FESA 441 with a minimum grade of C.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 445 Integrated Management Simulation Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Integration management and administrative knowledge and skills in the development of a fire and emergency service management simulation.
Prerequisites: FESA 432 and FESA 433.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 492 Seminar Credits: Var[1-3]
Course Description: Discussion and documentation of professional experience in fire and emergency services.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Written consent of instructor. Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 495 Independent Study Credits: Var[1-6]
Course Description: Discussion and documentation of professional experience in fire and emergency services.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Written consent of instructor. Offered as an online course only.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: S/U Sat/Unsat Only.
Special Course Fee: No.

FESA 496 Service Management Simulation Credits: 3 (0-0-3)
Course Description: Integration management and administrative knowledge and skills in the development of a fire and emergency service management simulation.
Prerequisites: FESA 432 and FESA 433.
Registration Information: Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 210 Forest Ecogeography Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Ecogeography of forested ecosystems on a global scale and identification of important North American trees.
Prerequisite: BZ 101 or BZ 104 or BZ 110 or BZ 120 or LIFE 102.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

Forest and Rangeland Stewardship (F)

F 210 Forest Ecogeography Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Ecogeography of forested ecosystems on a global scale and identification of important North American trees.
Prerequisite: BZ 101 or BZ 104 or BZ 110 or BZ 120 or LIFE 102.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: No.
F 224 Wildland Fire Measurements  Credits: 1 (0-2-0)
Course Description: Wildland fire control and use measurements: fuels, weather, topography, fire behavior, and fire ecology.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Required field trips.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 230 Forestry Field Measurements  Credits: 2 (0-4-0)
Course Description: Develop field skills using maps, compasses, and aerial photos; photo interpretation; tree and stand measurements; stand volume and value estimates.
Prerequisite: None.
Term Offered: Summer.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 310 Forest and Rangeland Ecogeography  Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Also Offered As: RS 310.
Course Description: Distribution of wildland plant communities and identification of important grasses, forbs, shrubs, and trees common in North America.
Prerequisite: BZ 101 or BZ 104 or BZ 110 or BZ 120 or LIFE 102.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Credit not allowed for both F 310 and RS 310.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 311 Forest Ecology  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Relationships of ecological concepts to the dynamics of forest ecosystems.
Prerequisite: LIFE 320 or LAND 220 or LIFE 220.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 320 Forest Biometry  Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Measurement and estimation of timber in logs, trees, and stands. Sampling with varying probabilities.
Prerequisites: (NR 220 and F 230 and MATH 141) and (STAT 201 or STAT 301).
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: Yes.

F 325 Silviculture  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Principles of silviculture and their application to major forest types of United States.
Prerequisites: F 230 and F 311 and NR 220.
Registration Information: Credit not allowed for both F 325 and NR 326.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 330 Timber Harvesting and the Environment  Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Principles of timber harvesting and effects of logging on the environment.
Prerequisite: F 230 or F 321.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 331 Wood Products in Society  Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Role of wood products in society; spectrum of wood products; some field trips.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 421 Forest Stand Management  Credits: 4 (3-3-0)
Course Description: Forest management plan preparation: forest condition and health assessment; evaluation of silvicultural treatments; implementation and monitoring.
Prerequisites: F 230 and F 321 and F 322 and F 325.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: Yes.

F 422 Quantitative Methods in Forest Management  Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Design and analysis of optimization and nonoptimization models in forest managerial operations.
Prerequisites: F 321 and F 322.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Modes: S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.
Special Course Fee: No.
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<td>F 424</td>
<td>Wildland Fire Behavior and Management</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Policies and strategies for the management of fire and fuels.</td>
<td>LIFE 320 or LAND 220 or LIFE 220</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory.</td>
<td>Fall</td>
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<td>F 425</td>
<td>Advanced Wildland Fire Behavior and Management</td>
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<td>Advanced strategies, tools, and techniques for wildland fire management.</td>
<td>F 326 and NR 319</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory.</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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<td>F 430</td>
<td>Forestry Field Practices</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Forestry field course, S212 saw certification, collect stand inventory data,</td>
<td>F 330 and F 421</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips.</td>
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<td>F 466</td>
<td>Urban and Community Forestry</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Policies and management of publicly and privately owned community forests.</td>
<td>F 310 or RS 310 or HORT 221</td>
<td>Credit not allowed for both F 466 and HORT 466.</td>
<td>Fall (odd years).</td>
<td>Traditional</td>
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<td>Independent Study</td>
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<td>F 510</td>
<td>Ecophysiology of Trees</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Environmental factors affecting physiology of woody plants.</td>
<td>BZ 440</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory.</td>
<td>Spring</td>
<td>S/U within Student Option, Trad within Student Option.</td>
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<td>F 520</td>
<td>Advanced Quantitative Methods in Forestry I</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Design and analysis of optimization models in forest management operations.</td>
<td>F 322 and MATH 160</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory.</td>
<td>Fall</td>
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<td>F 521</td>
<td>Advanced Quantitative Methods in Forestry II</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Analysis of forest inventory information; dynamic and stochastic models oriented</td>
<td>F 520</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory.</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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<td>F 522</td>
<td>Advanced Forest Economics</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Analysis of forestry issues: financial maturity, management intensity, federal</td>
<td>ECON 306</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory.</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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<td>F 524</td>
<td>Forest Fire Meteorology and Behavior</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Effects of atmospheric processes on wild and prescribed fires;</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and laboratory.</td>
<td>Fall (odd years).</td>
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<td>F 525</td>
<td>Silvicultural Practices</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Comprehensive coverage of silvicultural practices as applied in US forestry.</td>
<td>F 311</td>
<td>Must register for lecture and recitation.</td>
<td>Spring</td>
<td>Traditional</td>
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Colorado State University
F 540 Fuels, Vegetation, and Fire Management Credits: 3 (2-3-0)
Course Description: Develop, test and display the impact of alternative fuels and vegetation treatments on vegetation development, fuels and fire behavior.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Admission to the Continuing Education in Fuels Management program through the Office of Conference Services.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 541 Data Analysis/Interpretation-Fire Managers Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Knowledge and skills for complex analyses of fire information.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Employment as a wildfire manager. Offered as an online course only.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 542 Wildland Fire Economics and Management Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Managerial economics and management techniques applied to wildland fire situations.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Employment as wildland fire manager.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 544 Decision Methods for Fire Managers Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Application of decision methods, including optimization techniques, finance and decision trees to initial attack and fuels management problems.
Prerequisite: None.
Registration Information: Written consent of instructor.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 593 Seminar-Fire Science Credit: 1 (0-0-1)
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 624 Fire Ecology Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Fire in forest and range ecosystems; principles and techniques for evaluating fire effects on vegetation, soils, watersheds, and wildlife.
Prerequisite: ECOL 000 to 99999.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 625 Ecology of Forest Production Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Also Offered As: ESS 625.
Course Description: Develops student expertise in understanding carbon and nutrient flows in forests.
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Registration Information: Must have completed one 300-level course in ECOL. Credit not allowed for both F 625 and ESS 625. Sections may be offered: Online.
Term Offered: Spring (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 693 Seminar Credit: 1 (0-0-1)
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 698 Research Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 699 Thesis Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 721 Forest Policy Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Policies and institutions affecting management of forest lands in U.S.
Prerequisite: NR 567.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Term Offered: Spring (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

F 798 Research Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.
F 799 Dissertation Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description: 
Prerequisite: None. 
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional. 
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer. 
Grade Mode: Instructor Option. 
Special Course Fee: No.

Rangeland Ecosystem Science (RS)
RS 300 Rangeland Conservation and Stewardship Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Conservation and management of rangeland-ecosystem values using sustainable practices.  
Prerequisite: BZ 120 or LIFE 102. 
Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online. 
Term Offered: Fall. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 310 Rangeland and Forest Ecogeography Credits: 3 (2-2-0) 
Also Offered As: F 310.  
Course Description: Distribution of wildland plant communities and identification of important grasses, forbs, shrubs, and trees common to North America. 
Prerequisite: BZ 101 or BZ 104 or BZ 110 or BZ 120 or LIFE 102. 
Registration Information: Must have concurrent registration in RS 312. Must register for lecture and laboratory. Credit not allowed for both RS 310 and F 310. 
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 312 Rangeland Plant Identification Lab Credit: 1 (0-2-0)  
Course Description: Identification of characteristic grasses, forbs, and shrubs common to North American rangelands. 
Prerequisite: RS 310, may be taken concurrently. 
Term Offered: Fall.  
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 329 Rangeland Assessment Credit: 1 (0-3-0)  
Course Description: Five-day intensive field-based course on principles of rangeland ecosystem assessment. 
Prerequisites: (F 310 or RS 310) and (RS 300 and SOCR 240). 
Term Offered: Summer. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: Yes.

RS 331 Wildland Plants and Plant Communities Credits: 3 (2-2-0) 
Course Description: Distribution of non-forested wildland plant communities and important plant species in the western United States. 
Prerequisite: BZ 223 or NR 220. 
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips. Sections may be offered: Online. 
Term Offered: Fall. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 351 Wildland Ecosystems in a Changing World Credits: 3 (2-2-0) 
Course Description: Understanding and conserving non-forested wildland ecosystems, processes, and services under changing environmental conditions. 
Prerequisites: (LIFE 320 or LAND 220 or LIFE 220) and (SOCR 240). 
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips. 
Term Offered: Fall. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 400 Rangeland Improvements Credits: 2 (2-0-0) 
Course Description: Improvement of rangelands through biological and cultural methods; management of improved rangelands. 
Prerequisite: RS 300 or SOCR 320. 
Term Offered: Fall. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 410 Grass Taxonomy Credits: 3 (1-4-0) 
Course Description: Anatomy, morphology, and identification of grasses. 
Prerequisite: BZ 223. 
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. 
Term Offered: Spring. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 432 Rangeland Measurements and Monitoring Credits: 2 (1-3-0) 
Course Description: Vegetation sampling and field measurements emphasizing applications for monitoring and adaptive management. 
Prerequisites: (NR 220 and RS 300, may be taken concurrently) and (STAT 201 or STAT 301 or STAT 307). 
Term Offered: Fall. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: Yes.

RS 452 Rangeland Herbivore Ecology and Management Credits: 3 (3-0-0) 
Course Description: Ecology and management of large ungulate herbivores including consumer functions at organismal and ecosystem levels. 
Prerequisites: (RS 300) and (LAND 220 or LIFE 220 or LIFE 320). 
Registration Information: Voluntary field trips. 
Term Offered: Fall, Spring. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 470 Rangeland Economics and Analysis Credits: 2 (2-0-0) 
Course Description: Economics of rangeland resource use; analytical techniques for allocation of rangeland resources. 
Prerequisites: (AREC 202 or ECON 202) and (RS 300). 
Term Offered: Fall. 
Grade Mode: Traditional. 
Special Course Fee: No.
RS 471  Rangeland Planning and Grazing Management  Credits: 2 (2-0-0)
Course Description: Definition of grazing management, grazing systems. Synthesis of animal, plant responses to grazing management. Structure, function of rangeland planning.
Prerequisite: RS 300 or SOCR 320.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 472  Rangeland Ecosystem Planning  Credits: 4 (1-6-0)
Course Description: Range allotment, ranch, and restoration planning.
Prerequisite: RS 471.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 478  Ecological Restoration  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Analysis of environmental factors influencing restoration of disturbed lands and practices for successful restoration of disturbed ecosystems.
Prerequisites: (BZ 450 or LAND 220 or LIFE 220 or LIFE 320) and (SOCR 240).
Registration Information: Credit not allowed for both RS 478 and NR 678.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 495  Independent Study-Rangeland Ecosystems  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 496  Group Study-Rangeland Ecosystem  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 500  Advanced Rangeland Management  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Rangeland management concepts.
Prerequisite: LAND 220 or LIFE 320 or NR 220 or LIFE 220.
Registration Information: Sections may be offered: Online.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 501  Range Habitat Manipulation  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Improvement of range habitats and effects on ecosystem components.
Prerequisite: RS 300 or SOCR 320.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 520  Range Issues and Policy  Credits: 2 (2-0-0)
Course Description: Explores and evaluates current issues and policies concerning range use.
Prerequisite: RS 300 or SOCR 320.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 531  World Grassland Ecogeography  Credits: 3 (2-3-0)
Course Description: Distribution, climate, and structure of the world’s major grasslands with emphasis on North America.
Prerequisite: BZ 223.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips. Sections may be offered: Online.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 532  Rangeland Ecosystem Sampling  Credits: 3 (1-3-1)
Course Description: Measurement, analysis techniques for rangeland vegetation. Applications to management emphasized.
Prerequisites: (STAT 301) and (LAND 220 or LIFE 320 or NR 220 or LIFE 220).
Registration Information: Credit not allowed for both RS 532 and RS 432. Required field trips.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: Yes.

RS 552  Range Animal Production and Management  Credits: 4 (3-0-1)
Course Description: Biological and ecological basis for production of meat from rangelands.
Prerequisite: LAND 220 or LIFE 320 or NR 220 or LIFE 220.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and recitation. Sections may be offered: Online.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 565  Riparian Ecology and Management  Credits: 3 (2-2-0)
Course Description: Analysis of interactions among biotic and abiotic processes as relates to the ecology and management of riparian systems, emphasizing case studies.
Prerequisite: LAND 220 or LIFE 320 or NR 220.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Required field trips.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 630  Ecology of Grasslands and Shrublands  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Distributions and climatic controls on grassland and shrubland plant communities.
Prerequisite: NR 565.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Term Offered: Spring.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.
RS 640  Vegetation-Environment Analysis  Credits: 3 (3-0-0)
Course Description: Multivariate analyses and ecological interpretations of vegetation communities.
Prerequisite: STAT 301.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Term Offered: Fall (even years).
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 651 Primary Production and Decomposition  Credits: 4 (3-2-0)
Course Description: Energy transformations within primary producer compartment; dissipation of ecosystem biomass by decomposers, mineralization.
Prerequisites: BZ 440 and SOCR 100 to 481 - at least 1 course.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Registration Information: Must register for lecture and laboratory. Sections may be offered: Online.
Term Offered: Fall.
Grade Mode: Traditional.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 693 Seminar Credit: 1 (0-0-1)
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 695 Independent Study-Rangeland Ecosystem  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 696 Group Study-Rangeland Ecosystem  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 698 Research  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 699 Thesis  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 793 Seminar Credit: 1 (0-0-1)
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 795 Independent Study-Rangeland Ecosystem  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 798 Research  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.

RS 799 Dissertation  Credits: Var[1-18]
Course Description:
Prerequisite: None.
Restriction: Must be a: Graduate, Professional.
Terms Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.
Grade Mode: Instructor Option.
Special Course Fee: No.