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ANSC 4640 SWINE PRODUCTION SYSTEMS
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COURSE DETAILS

Course Title & Number: ANSC 4640 Syllabus

Number of Credit Hours: 3.0

Class Times & Days of Week: 12:30 – 1:20 pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Location for classes: Online

Location for labs/tutorials: Online

Lab times & Days of Week: 2:30 – 5:15 pm

Prerequisites: ANSC 2500 Animal Production

Instructor Contact Information

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All e-mail communication must conform to the Communicating with Students university policy. (Please familiarize yourself with the policy). Use the subject line to state the reason for your e-mail and add the course number.

Office Hours or Availability: No set time or hours. You can e-mail the instructor between 8:30 and 5:00 pm. Depending on the issue(s) to be discussed, a telephone call can be arranged.

Contact: Use e-mail communication as primary means of communication. But arrangements can be made to set up a conference call via WebEx, or Microsoft Teams.
Course Description

ANSC 4640 Swine Production Systems
Describes the swine industry in terms of size, complexity and relationship to the economy and gives an understanding of the breeding, feeding, management and marketing practices in a modern production unit. It outlines swine production systems of relevance to the agricultural industry. Open only to students holding at least 60 credit hours. Prerequisite: ANSC 2500

General Course Information
The swine industry is an important sector in Manitoba. It requires the engagement of people with relevant training, knowledge, and skills to contribute to the provincial economy. This course offers an opportunity for training to those who aspire to work directly in the swine industry or related industries such as the feed industry.

Course Goals
The objectives of the courses are:
   a) Introduce students to the basic principles and practical skills in swine production systems with particular reference to swine production and management.
   b) List and explain the management practices used in modern pork production.
   c) Discuss these management practices in relation to their impact on the profitability of swine production systems.
   d) To develop critical thinking skills so that students can make management decisions based on science-based animal husbandry principles.

Intended Learning Outcomes
At the end of the course, students will be able to:
   a) Describe the structure of the swine industry in Manitoba and Canada.
   b) Understand the inputs, components, and sale and marketing of Canadian pork products.
   c) Analyze the issues that face the Canadian swine industry and its socio-economic role to Canada.
   d) Identify factors that influence the performance of pigs in different classes.
   e) Apply the skills and knowledge gained from this course to evaluate swine enterprises and offer solutions to solve problems and improve profitability.
   f) Develop the ability to formulate simple swine diets.

Using Copyrighted Material
Please respect copyright. The content used in this course is appropriately acknowledged and is copied in accordance with copyright laws and University guidelines. Copyrighted works, including those created by the instructors, are made available for private study and research and must not be distributed in any format without permission.

Recording Class Lectures
Recorded course material is meant for your private study and research and must not be shared on public electronic platforms.
Textbook, Readings, Materials

Supplementary Reading Material


Lee Chiba Sustainable Swine Nutrition, 2013. Wiley InterScience (Online service)


Other publications:
The Canadian Swine Forum
Canadian Hog Journal
Manitoba Pork Council publications
Manitoba Swine Seminar, Banff Pork Seminar, etc.
Peer reviewed scientific journal articles

Course Technology

Lecture notes will be posted on UMlearn

Class Communication

The University requires all students to activate an official University e-mail account. For full details of the Electronic Communication with Students please visit:
http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/media/Electronic_Communication_with_Students_Policy_-_2014_06_05.pdf
Please note that all communication between you as a student and the instructors of the course must comply with the electronic communication with student policy (http://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/governing_documents/community/electronic_communication_with_students_policy.html). You are required to obtain and use your U of M e-mail account for all communication between yourself and the university.

**Expectations: I expect you to:**

I expect you to:

1. a) Attend class on time so we start on time.
2. b) Ask for help when you need assistance.
3. c) Submit your own work for individual assignments and to work together in a team for group assigned projects.
4. d) To act in a civil, respectful, and responsible manner toward all members of the U of M community.
5. e) I will treat you with respect and would appreciate the same courtesy in return. See Respectful Work and Learning Environment Policy.

**Academic Integrity:**

Group and individual assignments are expected as part of fulfilling the requirements of this course.

(i) Group projects are subject to the rules of academic dishonesty;
(ii) Group members must ensure that a group project adheres to the principles of academic integrity.
(iii) Group assignments are meant to help develop an appreciation of team work in addition to academic knowledge and skills, therefore, complaints from other group members for not cooperating or doing the assigned tasks may result in dismissal from a group. In such a situation the student will not be awarded any marks nor offered to do an individual project.
(iv) For individual assignments, while students can discuss the assignment with their colleagues, they should complete the assignment independently.

**Students Accessibility Services**

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If you are a student with a disability, please contact SAS for academic accommodation supports and services such as note-taking, interpreting, assistive technology and exam accommodations. Students who have, or think they may have, a disability (e.g. mental illness, learning, medical, hearing, injury-related, visual) are invited to contact SAS to arrange a confidential consultation.

*Student Accessibility Services* [http://umanitoba.ca/student/saa/accessibility/](http://umanitoba.ca/student/saa/accessibility/)

520 University Centre

Phone: 204 474 7423  E-mail: [Student_accessibility@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Student_accessibility@umanitoba.ca)
What to Expect from the Instructors

Deliver course material mainly in the form of PowerPoint lectures in class.
Provide a respectful learning environment
Answer your questions honestly and where if information to answer your questions in not
Provide opportunities for discussion during class or labs
Provide a summary of key points.

Class Schedule

This schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor and/or based on the
learning needs of the students but such changes are subject to Section 2.8 of the – ROASS-
Procedure). If you miss lecture(s), it is your responsibility to obtain any information announced
in class.

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<th>MONTH</th>
<th>DATES</th>
<th>LECTURE TOPIC / UNIT</th>
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<td>January</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>Introductions</td>
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<td>26, 28</td>
<td>Swine Production Systems</td>
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<td>31</td>
<td>Swine Industry in Manitoba (Guest Lecture)</td>
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<td>February</td>
<td>2, 4</td>
<td>Environmental Requirements of Swine: Thermal Comfort;</td>
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<td>Codes of Practice; Handling</td>
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<td>Biosecurity (Guest Lecture)</td>
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<td>Principles of Genetics and Genetic Improvement</td>
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<td>Reproduction – Principles Revisited</td>
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<td>Feeds &amp; Feeding; Evaluation of pig feed ingredients</td>
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<td>Feeds &amp; Feeding; Evaluation of pig feed ingredients</td>
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<td>February</td>
<td>21-22-25</td>
<td><em>Louis Riel Day, Midterm Break</em></td>
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<td>28</td>
<td>Test 1</td>
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<td>2, 4</td>
<td>Management &amp; Nutrition of the Breeding Herd:</td>
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<td>Management &amp; Nutrition – Farrowing &amp; Lactation</td>
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<td>11, 14</td>
<td>Management &amp; Nutrition of the Suckling and Weaned Pig</td>
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<td>Management &amp; Nutrition of Growing - Finishing Pig</td>
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<td>Management &amp; Nutrition of Growing - Finishing Pig</td>
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<td>21, 23</td>
<td>Carcass and meat quality <em>(Guest Lecture)</em></td>
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<td>Manure Management <em>(Guest lecture)</em></td>
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<td>Marketing and Quality Assurance <em>(Guest lecture)</em></td>
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<td>April</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>Term Test 2</td>
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<td>4,6</td>
<td>Disease &amp; Sanitation <em>(Guest Lecture)</em></td>
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**Laboratory Expectations**

The labs and tutorials offer opportunities for experiential learning as well as use case studies to help students develop critical thinking skills. Experiential learning activities are in the form of demonstrations. Some of the take home or in-class assignments will be used to assess students’ participation and comprehension.

**Lab Schedule**

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<td>Jan</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>No lab/ tutorial</td>
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<td>Feb</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Feed identification and lab analyses*</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Glenlea Micro feed mill tour / lecture**</td>
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<td>15</td>
<td>Diet formulation</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>Mid-term Break, no classes</td>
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<td>March</td>
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<td>Glenlea Swine Unit Virtual Tour**</td>
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<td>Discussion about presentations and rubric</td>
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<td>TBA (Virtual barn visit?)**</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>Class (Individual) Presentations</td>
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<td>April</td>
<td>5,12,19</td>
<td>No lab/ tutorial</td>
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*Group assignment **Short individual assignment

**Important Dates**

- January 24, 2022 – First day of classes
- February 21, 2021- Louis Riel Day
- February 22 – 25 – Winter Term Break
- April 15, 2022 – Good Friday no classes
- April 25, 2022 Last day of classes

See the university website for a comprehensive list of dates
Course Evaluation Methods

Test will contain sections with multiple choice, short and long answer questions. No make up exams or assignment will be allowed, except for absence that has been cleared by the instructor. For such absence one of the following would be expected prior to writing a make-up exam or assignment such as: 1) medical emergency-a written and signed note from a medical doctor is required, or 2) Schedule clashes – A letter from faculty in charge of the course or university sanctioned activity.

The due dates for the various components of the grade are given below:

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<th>Assessment Tool</th>
<th>Value of Final Grade</th>
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<td>Laboratory/Tutorial assignments</td>
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<td>March 22 and 29</td>
<td>Class presentation</td>
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<td>Presentation outline</td>
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<td>Presentation</td>
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<td>February 28</td>
<td>Term test 1</td>
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<td>TBA</td>
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Grading

The grading scale for the course is given below:

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<td>B+</td>
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Assignment Descriptions

Presentation Assignment Topics

1. Managing sows for a long productive life
2. Feeding and management of nursery pigs.
3. African swine fever and other foreign animal diseases – implications for Canadian swine industry
4. The importance of water in swine production
5. Animal welfare and societal issues in swine production
6. Housing and management of swine – issues and possible solutions.
7. Voluntary feed intake in swine – its significance and related challenges.
9. The impact of pork production on the environment.
10. The impact of mycotoxin contamination of feed ingredients on pork production.

Assessment criteria: Topic Presentations
The following parameters will be used in evaluating your presentation:

1. **Length of presentation**
   - a. Total of 20 minutes broken down into 15 minutes of presentation and 5 minutes of questions and discussions

2. **Quality of presentation**
   - a. Quality of slides
   - b. Organization of presentation
   - c. Delivery of presentation

3. **Demonstration of in-depth understanding of the subject matter**
   - a. Inclusion of pertinent information
   - b. Attempts to critically comment on the subject matter
   - c. Not afraid to speculate

4. **Ability to stimulate discussion and to answer questions**

5. Please note the following:
   - a. Presentation must focus on what happens on a commercial hog farm
   - b. Presentation outline must be submitted to the instructors by March 10 if your presentation date is March 23, or March 17 if your presentation date is March 30.

Assignment Extension and Late Submission Policy
- Due dates will be given on all assignments. If you have problems completing the assignment by the due date please let the instructor know before the date if possible.
- All students are encouraged to complete all the assignments because every component contributes to the final grade.