

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

Sam Houston State University

Course Syllabus: Fall 2018

DEPARTMENT: Agricultural Sciences and Engineering
Technology

Department

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: ANSC 2330 01
Companion Animal Science

LOCATION OF CLASS MEETING: Pirkle Engineering Tech Ctr. Rm: 300B

CLASS MEETING TIME: Mon. 6:00-8:50 PM

INSTRUCTOR: Michael C. Moore DVM

OFFICE LOCATION: None

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OFFICE HOURS: As posted or by appointment

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course will be a basic overview of the companion animal industry including types and breeds, feeding and nutrition, reproduction, anatomy and physiology, care, management, training, health, behavior, and research.

AT THE END OF THIS COURSE, STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- 1) Have a better understanding of the companion animal industry
- 2) Have a better understanding of the scientific principles involved in the use and care of companion animals

REFERENCE MATERIAL: Companion Animals: Their Biology, Care, Health, and Management, Campbell, K. L., J. E. Corbin, and J. R. Campbell. 2005. Pearson Education, Inc., Upper Saddle River, NJ

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Departmental attendance policy listed below will be strictly enforced.

Department of Agricultural Sciences Attendance Policy

1. Regular and punctual attendance is expected of each student in the Department of Agricultural Sciences at Sam Houston State University.
2. Excused absences must be documented by the student with a letter of confirmation from the sponsoring student organization, professor or doctor. Exemptions will include

participation in departmental activities when prior approval is attained from the Department Chair.

3. No exams or assignments will be given at alternative times unless arrangements are made with the professor/instructor before the scheduled activity occurs.

GRADING PROCEDURE:

Exam 1	100
Exam 2	100
Exam 3	100
<u>Final</u>	<u>100</u>

Total	400 points
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GRADING SCALE:

A = 90 – 100%

B = 80 – 89%

C = 70 – 79%

D = 60 – 69 %

F = < 60%

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY (SHSU Academic Policy Statement 810213):

All students are expected to engage in all academic pursuits in a manner that is above reproach. Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in the academic experiences both in and out of the classroom. Any student found guilty of dishonesty in any phase of academic work will be subject to disciplinary action. The University and its official representatives may initiate disciplinary proceedings against a student accused of any form of academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, cheating on an examination or other academic work which is to be submitted, plagiarism, collusion and the abuse of resource materials.

CLASSROOM RULES OF CONDUCT (According to Section 5 of the Student Handbook):

Students will refrain from behavior in the classroom that intentionally or unintentionally disrupts the learning process and, thus, impedes the mission of the university. Cellular telephones and pagers must be turned off before class begins. Students are prohibited from eating in class, using tobacco products, making offensive remarks, reading newspapers, sleeping, talking at inappropriate times, wearing inappropriate clothing, or engaging in any other form of distraction. Inappropriate behavior in the classroom shall result in a directive to leave class. Students who are especially disruptive also may be reported to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action in accordance with university policy.

USE OF TELEPHONES AND TEXT MESSAGERS IN ACADEMIC CLASSROOMS AND FACILITIES:

The use by students of electronic devices that perform the function of a telephone or text messenger during

class-time is prohibited. Arrangements for handling potential emergency situations may be granted at the

discretion of the instructor. Failure to comply with the instructor's policy could result in expulsion from

the classroom or with multiple offenses, failure of the course. Any use of a telephone or text messenger or or any device that performs these functions during a test period is prohibited. These devices should not be

present during a test or should be stored securely in such a way that they cannot be seen or used by the

student. Even the visible presence of such a device during the test period will result in a zero for that test.

Use of these devices during a test is considered de facto evidence of cheating and could result in a charge

of academic dishonesty.

USE OF TOBACCO AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Sam Houston State University is a tobacco free campus and all tobacco products are prohibited in all

Buildings and outdoor public areas on campus.

VISITORS IN THE CLASSROOM: (According to the Faculty Handbook):

Unannounced visitors to class must present a current, official SHSU identification card to be permitted in the classroom. They must not present a disruption to the class by their attendance. If the visitor is not a registered student, it is at the instructor's discretion whether or not the visitor will be allowed to remain in the classroom.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:

Students with a disability which affects performance are expected to arrange for a conference with the instructor in order that appropriate strategies can be considered to ensure that participation and achievement opportunities are not impaired. The physically impaired may contact the Director of the Counseling Center who also serves as chair of the Committee for Continuing Assistance for Disabled Students by telephone at (936)294-1720.

RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS:

An institution of higher education shall excuse a student from attending classes or other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day, including travel for that purpose. A student whose absence is excused under this

subsection may not be penalized for that absence and shall be allowed to take an examination or complete an assignment from which the student is excused within a reasonable time after the absence. A student who plans to miss a class or required activity to observe a religious holy day should inform the professor in writing prior to the planned absence.

COURSE OUTLINE:

- A. Course Overview; Introduction to Companion Animals**
- B. The Companion Animal Industry**
- C. Breeds of Dogs and Cats**
- D. Feeding and Nutrition**
- E. Exotic Pets**
- F. Anatomy and Physiology of Dogs and Cats**
- G. Reproductive Physiology**
- H. Behavior, Care, Management and Training of Dogs and Cats**
- I. Companion Animal Health**
- J. Parasites of Companion Animals**
- K. Geriatric, Managing Unwanted animals**
- L. Companion Animal Behavior and Social Structure**
- M. Therapeutic and Service Uses of Companion Animal**
- O. Career Opportunities Associated with Companion Animals**