Syllabus for ANSC 446 Companion Animal Management

Fall 2020

Learning Objectives Using active and self-directed learning techniques, empower students to learn

and apply principles of companion animal management to enhance the lives

of pets and their owners.

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Several motivated undergraduate TAs will be available to help us learn.

Class Meetings: Course material will consist of videos (viewed asynchronously) and reading

assignments. There are face-to-face help sessions (watch your email for times/places).

Classroom capacity has been reduced to 50% and therefore it is impossible to meet all together at one time. Help sessions will be recorded and posted.

Course Webpage: www.rodallrich.com (backup websites: www.rodallrich.bravehost.com

and www.rodallrich2.com)

Example Course Topics Genetics, Health, Nutrition, Pet Selection, Animal Behavior, Reproduction,

Geriatrics, Parasites, Therapeutic/Service/Research Animals, Pet-related Businesses, Animal Welfare/Abuse, Pets and Travel, Housing, End-of-Life

Issues, PETS Act, Care of Puppies, Current Hot Topics, etc.

Business Enterprise Project Each student will be required to produce a 10 page summary of a business

enterprise project (More details upcoming in help sessions). The project will

be worth 400 points. A separate handout with details will be provided.

Educational Video Students will create 1 educational video related to "Companion Animal

Management". The final video product should be in mp4 file format. Details will be given in help sessions. Video is worth 400 points.

Summaries of Videos Written summaries of assigned educational videos will be collected

(10 videos X 40 points = 400 total points).

Final Exam: There will be no final exam. We already did a lot of assessment!!!

Course Grade We will use the plus minus grading system (applied to the 1200 possible points):

A plus (4.0) 97.0-100.0 % A (4.0) 93.0-96.9 % A minus (3.7) 90.0-92.9 % B plus (3.3) 87.0-89.9 % B (3.0) 83.0-86.9 % B minus (2.7) 80.0-82.9 % C plus (2.3) 77.0-79.9 % C (2.0) 73.0-76.9 % C minus (1.7) 70.0-72.9 % D plus (1.3) 67.0-69.9 % D (1.0) 63.0-66.9 % D minus (0.7) 60.0-62.9 %

F(0.0) < 60.0 % (Student points will be recorded in Brightspace)

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