



TITLE: WILD AND CULTIVATED BERRIES OF ALASKA

NUMBER: NRM 154

CREDITS: 1 credit (1+0)

PREREQUISITES: Prerequisites: none; recommended basic high school biology

LOCATION: Online

MEETING TIME: variable; asynchronous

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Introduction to cultivated fruit crops and Alaska wild berries that have value in sustainable landscapes. Course includes management of wild berry stands, field cultivation of wild berries and other native edible plants, and the propagation and cultivation of commercially useful fruits including strawberries, blueberries, currants, gooseberries, cloudberry, raspberries and more. Discussions will include plant biology, pollination biology, propagation, cultivation and harvest of cultivated and wild plants in Alaska.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

It is expected that you will become familiar with the theory and practice of wild berry management and fruit production sufficient for home use and development of or employment in a cottage industry. You will develop a working knowledge of wild and domesticated berry terminology and techniques to allow you to pursue specific interests as well as practice problem-solving skills for researching and making management decisions in resources management.

COURSE READINGS/MATERIALS

A textbook is not available for this course. Required weekly readings, Web sites and videos, will be assigned on Blackboard. Check the resources folder for the class to find significant readings on berries.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COURSE

This course will use several multimedia technologies accessible through Blackboard, Wordpress and YouTube. Lectures will be recorded using Powerpoint/Camtasia/YouTube and will require



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audio and video capabilities. There are no requirements to purchase additional software. Students will be expected to have the most current versions of several applications that will be used in this course, including [QuickTime](#), Flash ([Mac](#)|[Windows](#)), [iTunes](#) and [Java](#). Before the first online class meeting, please visit the [OIT website](#) to make sure all of your systems are up to date.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

The basic course will use Blackboard as the main interface for exams, presentation of readings, web links, and more. You Tube videos and Wordpress will be accessed via the websites and email. Methods will include:

- 1) Online Powerpoint lecture plus handouts
- 2) Audio/video demonstrations using Powerpoint, Camtasia, Youtube

COURSE POLICIES

EXPLANATION OF NB/I/W GRADES

This course adheres to the UAF eLearning Procedure regarding the granting of NB Grades *The NB grade is for use only in situations in which the instructor has No Basis upon which to assign a grade. In general, the NB grade will not be granted.*

Your instructor follows the University of Alaska Fairbanks Incomplete Grade Policy:

"The letter "I" (Incomplete) is a temporary grade used to indicate that the student has satisfactorily completed (C or better) the majority of work in a course but for personal reasons beyond the student's control, such as sickness, he/she has not been able to complete the course during the regular semester. Negligence or indifference is not acceptable reasons for an "I" grade."

Successful, timely completion of this course depends on committing yourself early and maintaining your effort. To this end, this course adheres to the following UAF eLearning Procedures:

1. The first contact assignment (handing in your plant choice) is due one week after the first day of instruction. *Failure to submit this assignment within the first two weeks of the course could result in withdrawal from the course.*
2. The first content assignment (Section 1) is due one week after the first day of instruction. *Failure to submit this assignment within the first two weeks of the course could result in withdrawal from the course.*
3. *Failure to submit the first three content assignments (Sections 1, 2 and 3) by the deadline for faculty-initiated withdrawals (the ninth Friday after the first day of classes) could result in instructor initiated withdrawal from the course (W).*

INSTRUCTOR RESPONSE TIME

I will make every effort to grade assignments within one week of completion. Essays might take a little longer. but I reserve the right to go back in and review all grades. If, for example, all students misunderstood something I said in class, I will add points back so you are not penalized for my error. Wait at least one week after you have received your grade so I can review everyone's grades at one time.

If there is a problem, I will notify you immediately. I will be available on an as needed (and requested) basis to discuss issues, grades, topics relating to the course. You may also call me directly during office hours to discuss this class or at another time by

HOW TO CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR

DISABILITIES SERVICES

Include standard statement about where to get services.

The **UAF Office of Disability Services** operates in conjunction with UAF eLearning. Disability Services, a part of UAF's Center for Health and Counseling, provides academic accommodations to enrolled students who are identified as being eligible for these services.

If you believe you are eligible, please visit their web site (<http://www.uaf.edu/disability/>) or contact a student affairs staff person at your nearest local campus. You can also contact Disability Services on the Fairbanks Campus by phone, (907) 474-5655, or by e-mail (uaf-disabilityservices@alaska.edu).