

**Department.:** NRME

**Course number:** NRME 239W

**Course title:** Natural Resources Planning and Management

**Credits:** 3

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**Catalog Copy:** 239W Natural Resources Planning and Management Second semester.

Three credits. Prerequisite: Senior standing; ENGL105 or 110 or 111 or 250. Two lectures and one 2-hour discussion section. Clausen Concepts and methods of planning for the allocation, management and utilization of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. Techniques and methods of managerial decision making. Written technical reports required.

**W Criteria:**

1. Writing assignments are integrated throughout the course. Writing is used for experiential learning. Students will learn by writing. For example, students prepare an environmental impact assessment on a particular project in a group setting for the natural resources discipline they most identify with. By writing they will learn about the environmental impacts. Overall, the course requires 15 typed, double-spaced, finished pages, exclusive of footnotes, bibliography, diagrams, etc. There are two major writing assignments and two small writing assignments. The writing assignments constitute 55% of the course grade. Failure to pass the writing portion of the course will result in failure of the course.

2. Writing instruction is provided primarily during formal instruction during discussion sections. Additional instruction is provided by feedback on draft material submitted via a rubric and margin notes. Discussion sections include peer review and comparison to gold standards. A course "Notes and Handouts" guide is required for the course. The guide includes guidance on writing as well.

3. All writing assignments are reviewed, comments provided to the author, and must be revised and returned for final review. Failure to complete the written work satisfactorily will result in a grade of F for the entire course.

**Role of Grad Students:** -The G.A.s for this course will assist in one of the discussion sections. G.A.s will assist in review of submitted written materials. All G.A.'s who assist in this course will be supervised by the faculty course instructor. All G.A.s who assist in W courses must attend a training workshop at the W Learning Center.

**Supplementary Information:** -