

INSTRUCTIONAL PACKAGE

FOR 222 Forestry Portfolio

Effective Term
Fall 2022/Spring 2023/Summer 2023

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Departmental Mission Statement:

Forestry Management Technology Department & Program Mission Statement

The mission of the Department, the Programs and its faculty is to support the broader College's goals as detailed above, but also provide a comprehensive silviculturally based environmental education that recognizes the broad multiple uses demanded from the forest environments of South Carolina, the Southeastern United States and the nation.

- We want our graduates to recognize how their daily decisions will have a lasting impact on the social, cultural, economic, and environment fabric of our state, region and country.
- Their natural resource decision making process must be based on the highest professional and ethical standards for the long term protection and promotion of a high demand resource.
- We strive to prepare well trained forest, wildlife and natural resource technicians for both public and private sector employers and promote career opportunities for our graduates.

Part I: Course Information

Effective Term: Summer 2023

COURSE PREFIX: FOR 222 COURSE TITLE: Forestry Portfolio

CONTACT HOURS: 9 hour lab CREDIT HOURS: 3

RATIONALE FOR THE COURSE:

This course is designed to have students understand, document, and communicate their experiences associated with the Supervised Cooperative Work Experience.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is an integrated study and comprehensive report related to the materials and curriculum requirements of the student work experience to include forestry management practices, planning and human resources.

PREREQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES:

Credit level FOR 220 Minimum Grade of C or Credit level FOR 220 Minimum Grade of TC

*Online/Hybrid courses require students to complete the <u>DLi Orientation Video</u> prior to enrolling in an online course.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

Please visit the BOOKSTORE online site for most current textbook information.

Enter the semester, course prefix, number and section when prompted and you will be linked to the correct textbook.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

SAFETY AWARENESS

All laboratories are conducted outdoors in whole or in part, regardless of weather conditions. Appropriate clothing is required, including pants and boots. Please do not wear sandals, tennis-shoes, sneakers, crocs, flip-flops, slippers, etc. Appropriate protective clothing should be worn when inclement weather is anticipated. Students should consider raingear, jackets, and gloves. Because of the obvious health risks associated with exposure to inclement weather, the instructors reserve the right to dismiss any student who is not properly dressed from any lab period.

Being outdoors carries some additional risk. Always be aware of your surroundings. Pay special attention while crossing roads or examining trees near roads. Bees, wasps and yellow jackets, although not common, may be encountered during a lab. You may wish to inform your instructor of any allergies or other medical conditions that you may have. Poison-ivy will be present, so know what the species looks like. It is everyone's responsibility for keeping the class safe.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Access to Desire2Learn (D2L), HGTC's student portal for course materials. myHGTC and college email access.

STUDENT IDENTIFICATION VERIFICATION:

Students enrolled in online courses will be required to participate in a minimum of one (1) proctored assignment and/or one (1) virtual event to support student identification verification. Please refer to your Instructor Information Sheet for information regarding this requirement.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE:

As a matter of courtesy to other students and your professor, please turn off cell phones and other communication/entertainment devices before class begins. If you are monitoring for an emergency, please notify your professor prior to class and switch cell phone ringers to vibrate.

NETIQUETTE: is the term commonly used to refer to conventions adopted by Internet users on the web, mailing lists, public forums, and in live chat focused on online communications etiquette. For more information regarding Netiquette expectations for distance learning courses, please visit Online Netiquette.

Part II: Student Learning Outcomes

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES and ASSESSMENTS*:

Ι. First Impressions

Materials Covered: Writing Guide

*Assessment: Graded written assignment, a "Thank You" letter, and Discussion Board Learning Outcomes:

- i. Describe basics of why, where, when, who, etc. of the work experience to come
- ii. Identify thoughts of concerns, challenges, and future uses of experiences
- Provide a "Thank You" letter for work experience host iii.
- II. Understanding the Employer's Business

Materials Covered: Writing Guide

*Assessment: Graded written assignment and Discussion Board

Learning Outcomes:

- List the revenue and expense sources of the host business
- ii Chart the organizational structure
- iii. Identify strengths and weaknesses of the host business/organization
- III. Tools – used in the work experience

Materials Covered: Writing Guide

*Assessment: Graded written assignment and Discussion Board

Learning Outcomes:

- Describe the tools and basic use of them i.
- Identify the safety required for each tool use ii.
- Provide the replacement cost of used tool iii.
- IV. Professionals in the Industry

Materials Covered: Writing Guide and Portfolio Directions

*Assessment: Graded written assignment and Discussion Board

Learning Outcomes:

- Provide feedback from interviewing professionals in the industry
- Describe professional behavior ii
- ٧. Introduction to the Portfolio

Materials Covered: Writing Guide

*Assessment: Graded written assignment and Discussion Board

Learning Outcomes:

- i. Describe the basic materials in the portfolio
- ii. Identify the goals/objectives of the work experience
- VI. Benefits of Employment

Materials Covered: Websites of typical natural resource organization's benefits

*Assessment: Graded written assignment and Discussion Board Learning Outcomes:

- i. List the benefits of employment with current work experience host
- ii Compare benefits of other natural resource organizations
- iii. Identify the best benefits for short and long term employment

VII. Reflection

Materials Covered: Writing Guide

*Assessment: Graded written assignment, resume, and Discussion Board Learning Outcomes:

- i. Describe the lessons learned from this work experience
- ii. Provide advice for future students
- iii. Identify personal employment strengths and weaknesses

GENERAL EDUCATION OUTCOMES:

This course fulfills the following General Education Outcomes through the (list the appropriate assessment). Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

(Check all that apply.)

X Communicate effectively.

X Think critically.

X Self and professional development.

Part III: Grading and Assessment

EVALUATION OF REQUIRED COURSE MEASURES/ARTIFACTS*:

Students' performance will be assessed and the weight associated with the various measures/artifacts are listed below.

EVALUATION*

Assignments	50%
Discussion Board	20%
Portfolio	20%
Class Participation	10%
•	100%

GRADING SYSTEM:

Please note the College adheres to a 10 point grading scale A = 100 - 90, B = 89 - 80, C = 79 - 70, D = 69 - 60, F = 59 and below.

Grades earned in courses impact academic progression and financial aid status. Before withdrawing from a course, be sure to talk with your instructor and financial aid counselor about the implications of that course of action. Ds, Fs, Ws, WFs and Is also negatively impact academic progression and financial aid status.

^{*}Students - please refer to the Instructor's Course Information sheet for specific information on assessments and due dates.

The Add/Drop Period is the first 5 days of the semester for **full term** classes. Add/Drop periods are shorter for accelerated format courses. Please refer to the <u>academic calendar</u> for deadlines for add/drop. You must attend at least one meeting of all of your classes during that period. If you do not, you will be dropped from the course(s) and your Financial Aid will be reduced accordingly.

Part IV: Attendance

Horry-Georgetown Technical College maintains a general attendance policy requiring students to be present for a minimum of 80 percent (80%) of their classes in order to receive credit for any course. Due to the varied nature of courses taught at the college, some faculty may require up to 90 percent (90%) attendance. Pursuant to 34 Code of Federal Regulations 228.22 - Return to Title IV Funds, once a student has missed over 20% of the course or has missed two (2) consecutive weeks, the faculty is obligated to withdraw the student and a student may not be permitted to reenroll. **Instructors define absentee limits for their class at the beginning of each term; please refer to the Instructor Course Information Sheet.**

For online and hybrid courses, check your Instructor's Course Information Sheet for any required on-site meeting times. Please note, instructors may require tests to be taken at approved testing sites, and if you use a testing center other than those provided by HGTC, the center may charge a fee for its services.

Part V: Student Resources



THE STUDENT SUCCESS AND TUTORING CENTER (SSTC):

The SSTC offers to all students the following **free** resources:

- Academic tutors for most subject areas, Writing Center support, and college success skills.
- 2. Online **tutoring** and academic support resources.
- 3. Professional and interpersonal communication **coaching** in the EPIC Labs.

Visit the <u>Student Success & Tutoring Center</u> website for more information. To schedule tutoring, contact the SSTC at sstc@hgtc.edu or self-schedule in the Penji iOS/Android app or at <u>www.penjiapp.com</u>. Email <u>sstc@hgtc.edu</u> or call SSTC Conway, 349-7872; SSTC Grand Strand, 477-2113; and SSTC Georgetown, 520-1455, or go to the <u>Online Resource Center</u> to access on-demand resources.



STUDENT INFORMATION CENTER: TECH Central

TECH Central offers to all students the following free resources:

- Getting around HGTC: General information and guidance for enrollment, financial aid, registration, and payment plan support!
- 2. Use the Online Resource Center (ORC) including Office 365 support, password resets, and username information.
- 3. **In-person workshops, online tutorials and more services** are available in Desire2Learn, Student Portal, Degree Works, and Office 365.
- 4. **Chat with our staff on TECH Talk**, our live chat service. TECH Talk can be accessed on the student portal and on TECH Central's website, or by texting questions to (843) 375-8552.

Visit the <u>Tech Central</u> website for more information. Live Chat and Center locations are posted on the website. Or please call (843) 349 – TECH (8324), Option #1.

STUDENT TESTING:

Testing in an **online/hybrid** course may be accomplished in a variety of ways:

- Test administered within D2L
- Test administered in writing on paper
- Test administered through Publisher Platforms

Further more tests may have time limits and/or require a proctor.

Proctoring can be accomplished either face-to-face at an approved site or online through our online proctoring service. To find out more about proctoring services, please visit the <u>Online Testing</u> section of the HGTC's Testing Center webpage.

The Instructor Information Sheet will have more details on test requirements for your course.

DISABILITY SERVICES:

HGTC is committed to providing an accessible environment for students with disabilities. Inquiries may be directed to HGTC's <u>Accessibility and Disability Service webpage</u>. The Accessibility and Disability staff will review documentation of the student's disability and, in a confidential setting with the student, develop an educational accommodation plan.

Note: It is the student's responsibility to self-identify as needing accommodations and to provide acceptable documentation. After a student has self-identified and submitted documentation of a disability, accommodations may be determined, accepted, and provided.

STATEMENT OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT:

Horry-Georgetown Technical College prohibits discrimination and harassment, including sexual harassment and abuse, on the basis of race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin, age, religion,

disability, marital or family status, veteran status, political ideas, sexual orientation, gender identity, or pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions, including, but not limited to, lactation in educational programs and/or activities.

TITLE IX REQUIREMENTS:

All students (as well as other persons) at Horry-Georgetown Technical College are protected by Title IX—regardless of their sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, part- or full-time status, disability, race, or national origin—in all aspects of educational programs and activities. Any student, or other member of the college community, who believes that he/she is or has been a victim of sexual harassment or sexual violence may file a report with the college's Chief Student Services Officer, campus law enforcement, or with the college's Title IX Coordinator, or designee.

*Faculty and Staff are required to report incidents to the Title IX Coordinators when involving students. The only HGTC employees exempt from mandatory reporting are licensed mental health professionals (only as part of their job description such as counseling services).

INQUIRIES REGARDING THE NON-DISCRIMINATION/TITLE IX POLICIES:

Student and prospective student inquiries concerning Section 504, Title II, and Title IX and their application to the College or any student decision may be directed to the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Dr. Melissa Batten, VP Student Affairs

Title IX Coordinator
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Employee and applicant inquiries concerning Section 504, Title II, and Title IX and their application to the College may be directed to the Vice President for Human Resources.

Jacquelyne Snyder, VP Human Resources

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