

Wageningen University - The Netherlands
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500 Forestry

F500-338 Agroforestry Ecosystems

12C-12PJ-2

Restricted optional for S13A (2), S13B (2)

Lecturer(s): dr FJJM Bongers, dr ir JF Wienk

Examiner(s): dr FJJM Bongers

Examination: written examination and presentation of group report.

Contents:

Concepts and classifications of agroforestry ecosystems, origin and evolution, structure and functioning, dynamics and manipulation through management, examples.

Objectives:

Knowledge of the subject presented, insight in the ecology of agroforestry ecosystems and in the possibilities and limitations of applications of these systems.

Activities: Preparing for and attending to lectures, studying literature.

F500-218 Community Forestry and Rural Development

24C-L-3

Restricted optional for S13A (2)

Lecturer(s): dr ir KF Wiersum

Examiner(s): dr ir KF Wiersum

Examination: written exam, optional paper

Contents: Objective of course: to present an analytical framework for evaluation of the development relevance of forestry activities in tropical countries and to obtain an understanding about the various relevant factors influencing the possible role of forestry for rural development.

Subjects treated: diversity in forestry development strategies, socio-economic causes of deforestation, traditional and adaptive forest and tree management systems, social forestry strategies, role of forestry organizations in rural development.

Activities: Attending lectures and preparation of a paper

Examination: Written examination and paper.

Literature: Lectures note and reader.

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Tropical Agroforestry Systems Course

Coordinator: Alberto Camero

Date: 17 July - 4 August, 2000

OBJECTIVES:

Updating the agroforestry knowledge of the participants. Analysis of agroforestry techniques. Establishment of basic knowledge to promote the teaching, diffusion and implementation of agroforestry systems.

CONTENT:

Conceptualization, classification, structure and functioning, ecological, biophysics and socioeconomic interactions of agroforestry systems, interactions between the tree and soil, crop and animal components. Agroforestry systems with annual crops, amongst others.

Virginia Tech

FOR/CSES 4334

Principles and Practices of Agroforestry Systems

SYLLABUS

Instructor: Professor William F. Hyde, Forestry

Course Description:

The course will be problem-oriented. It will begin with the identity of problems in agroforestry and then discuss their solutions. These introductory discussions will provide context for subsequent and more detailed discussions of agroforestry species and agroforestry systems. The course will cover both biological and social science aspects of agroforestry.

Text and Readings:

The required text is: P.K.R. Nair. 1993. An Introduction to Agroforestry. Boston: Kluwer Academic Publ.

Additional readings may be added for particular classes. Students may wish to familiarize themselves with some of the following: The publications of (a) the UN/FAO Community Forestry program and (b) the ODI Rural Development Forestry Network. Many of these are available from the instructor.

The journal, Agroforestry Systems, published by the International Center for Research in Agroforestry (ICRAF). This journal is in the Tech library.

Also, Anderson, 1987, The Economics of Afforestation. Baltimore: Johns-Hopkins, and books by W.R. Bentley, and J. MacDicken.

Course Objectives:

1. Define the principles and practices of agroforestry systems.
2. Identify the role (and limits of) agroforestry systems in meeting the food, fuel and fiber needs of farm household producers and consumers. Identify the general problems that agroforestry intends to address.
3. Discuss the process of planning and adoption of new agroforestry practices.

Course Format:

Class periods will include lectures and discussion. The instructor will be the principal lecturer, but the class will also draw on a remarkable array of Virginia Tech faculty talent available on this topic.

Class Presentation:

Each student will prepare a class presentation on a selected problem or case study in agroforestry. The problem can originate from tropical or temperate forestry, developed or developing countries, and it can feature biological or social science aspects of agroforestry. The assumption can be original, or it can draw on extensive external readings.

The topic of the presentation should be a source of genuine student interest. It will be discussed in class, and the topic must be approved by the instructor within the first four weeks of class.

Grading:

Credit toward a final grade will be allotted as:

Mid-term Exam I	40%
Class Assignments	30%
Class Presentation	30%

Exams will draw on lectures, classroom discussion and assigned readings.

Sequence of Lectures and Textbook Reading Assignments:

Additional outside readings may be assigned, and the lecture sequence may be altered to satisfy specialized student interests.

Lecture	Objective & Assignment
1	course organization
2-3	Agroforestry round table
4-8	Nair chapters 1-10
9	Feldhake/Beckley field trip
10-12,15	agroforestry systems & sustainability
13-14	soils, Nair Chapters 14-18
16	marketing, Nair chapters 22-23
17	mid-term exam
18-28	class projects or papers

University of Florida
AGROFORESTRY
Instructor: P.K. Nair
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http://www.sfrc.ufl.edu/Faculty/Web_Pages/PKRNair/agrofor.html

Purpose of Course:

To familiarize the students with:

1. The concepts and principles of agroforestry (AF)
2. The complexity and diversity of AF
3. Improved AF technologies: tropical and temperate zones
4. Recent research initiatives and results
5. Problems and methodologies of AF research
6. Potentials of AF in land management and international development

Course Policy:

The emphasis of the course will be on the tropics and subtropics. Prerequisite to the course is an understanding of the problems and principles of land management, especially in developing countries: resource limitations, fragile soils, "basic needs" approach vs commercial production, multiple land-use systems. Students are expected to be familiar with the fundamentals of agri./forestry prod. systems and soil management particularly in the tropics. The course will consist primarily of lectures, classroom discussions, and library research. Each student is required to prepare a major term paper and present a poster based on that (see the attached guidelines).

Text Book:

Nair, P.K.R. 1993. An Introduction to Agroforestry. Kluwer Academic Publishers, Dordrecht, The Netherlands. Paperback, ISBN 0-7923-2135-9. Available at http://echonet.org/shopsite_sc/store/html/Agroforestry.html for \$45.00 plus shipping.

*** Reference Books:**

Buck, Lassoie, Fernandes: Agroforestry in Sustainable Agri. Systems, CRC Press, 1999
Ashton and Motagnini: The Silvicultural Basis for Agroforestry Systems, CRC Press, 1999
Nair and Latt: Directions in Tropical Agroforestry Research, Kluwer, 1998
Young: Agroforestry for Soil Management, 2nd ed., CABI Intl., 1997
Gordon and Newman: Agroforestry Systems in the Temperate Zone, CAB Intl., 1997
Ong and Huxley: Tree-Crop Interactions, CAB Intl. 1996
McDicken and Vergara: Agroforestry. Wiley, New York; 1990
Nair: Agroforestry Systems in the Tropics, Kluwer, Netherlands; 1989

*Copies of these, except the first two, are kept ON RESERVE in the Science Library.

Reference Journal:

Agroforestry Systems (Kluwer Academic Publishers) (Since 1982)

Course Outline

The history, definition, concepts, and principles of AF

Examples of existing AF systems

Classification of AF systems

Improved AF technologies

Improved fallow; homegardens; alley cropping; mulching/green manuring; fodder banks

Temperate-zone AF

Plant aspects of AF

AF species; multipurpose trees, tree fodder, and firewood species; fast-growing, N₂-fixing trees; herbaceous species; plant management in AF

Soil aspects of AF

Nutrient cycling; mulch quality and decomposition; soil productivity management; soil conservation

Silvicultural management and forest operations related to AF

Economic aspects

Economic and financial analysis, valuation of products and benefits, cost:benefit, IRR, NPV.

Social aspects

Sociocultural linkages in AF; land tenure; gender issues in AF Institutional aspects of AF

The dichotomy between agri. and forestry; institutional dilemma of AF

Design and evaluation of agroforestry systems

Research methodologies and criteria; the Diagnosis and Design approach; analysis and interpretation of data in AF; evaluation of AF systems

Introduction to Agroforestry

<http://www.rr.ualberta.ca/courses/RenR401.htm>

REN R 401

Department of Renewable Resources, University of Alberta

Introduction to Agroforestry (REN R 401)

Instructor: P.D. Khasa

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1. Course outline:

This course is designed to meet the needs of undergraduate and graduate students who are interested in the subject. It focuses on the principles and technologies of sustainable and efficient agroforestry systems with respect to the biophysical, socio-economic, political, and cultural environment. Now that there is a significant agroforestry activity in the temperate zone and developed countries, these applications will be examined with an emphasis on the more common applications from developing countries in tropical regions.

For graduate students, it is also relevant to add laboratory and field components to this course preferably with student's supervisor (s). Such exercises can illustrate aspects of agroforestry such as woody plant propagation, plant responses to interspecific competition, morphological and physiological characteristics of MPTs, various soil conservation practices (e.g., green manure, terracing, and grass bunds), system design and management in relation to environmental resource capture (both above- and below-ground), the underlying features of the biology of woody plants, aspects of nutrient cycling, mycorrhizal and rhizosphere investigations, socioeconomic and adaptive research, and use of software (MPTS, FADSS, SCUAF, IDRISI,arc/info, MESA, DATACHAIN, SAS, DESSAP, WBECON, LINDO, ELECTRE, etc.) and basic internet (electronic databases).

2. Teaching philosophy:

Lectures, discussions and readings will give participants an appreciation of the fundamental characteristics inherent in agroforestry systems and an understanding of current issues in agroforestry. The course format will be approximately 80% formal presentation (e.g. lecture, videos), 10% group discussion, 5% questions/answers, and 5% laboratory exercises. Participants will receive substantial pre-course reading materials two weeks prior to the session.

3. Course requirements:

The students are encouraged to attend all lectures and participate during the lectures and discussions. A student absent during a lecture will be asked to make a 2-3 page critique of that lecture. According to his (her) background and experience, each student will make one presentation in the classroom. Attendance, presentation and participation will count for 30% of final grade. In addition, each student will have to complete a term paper or project (20-25 pages) to develop an agroforestry strategy that could be applied in a case study by using course concepts (70% of final grade). Analysis of the case studies will integrate all components of contemporary agroforestry. The different case studies will be available and must have prior approval of the instructor. Grades will be apportioned as follows: 9: 90-100%, 8: 80-89%, 7: 70-79%, 6: 60-69%, 5: 50-59%

4. Course objectives:

Upon completion of this course, you will:

- 1) understand basic problems and principles of land management and issues of sustainable development in a variety of agroecological zones and socioeconomic, political, and cultural conditions.
- 2) know and understand agroforestry principles and practices in tropical and temperate zones.
- 3) know and understand the different components of contemporary agroforestry systems.
- 4) have good skills in diagnosis and design, implementation, management, extension and assessment of agroforestry projects.

5. Course Topics:

- 1) Agroforestry: Genesis, problems of land-use systems in tropical and temperate areas.
- 2) Agroforestry and sustainable development: definitions, importance, advantages and disadvantages.
- 3) Classification of agroforestry systems.
- 4) Description of components: plant component and/or animal component; fishes; edible mushrooms; insects; soil; biotic interactions; microclimate; socio-economic, cultural and political components.
- 5) Principles of genetic improvement in agroforestry.
- 6) Practices of agroforestry: elements of experimental design in agroforestry, ecophysiological aspects and spatio-temporal associations.
- 7) Prospects of GPS/GIS in agroforestry and diagnosis and design (D&D) methodology.
- 8) Evaluation and adoption of agroforestry technologies: multiple objective programming, multiple criteria decision aid.
- 9) Agroforestry extension.
- 10) State of the art agroforestry in the temperate zone.

Seminar in Agroforestry (FOR 501)

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1. Course outline:

This advanced course is designed for graduate students enrolled in graduate studies (M.Sc. or Ph.D.) in Agroforestry or related research areas. It focuses on the techniques and methods of planning and analysis of biophysical and socio-economic research in Agroforestry Science. Depending on interest, the participants will apply their know-how during a 2-month training in an agroforestry research centre established in either a developing or a developed country. There will be particular emphasis on tree-crop and/or animal interactions dealing with agroforestry systems,

people and forestry on small landholdings, and soil interrelations and socioeconomic characterizations, RRA/PRA/RAAKS assessment methodology, and gender analysis.

2. Teaching philosophy:

Lectures, discussions and readings will give participants an appreciation of the research methodology in agroforestry. The course format will be approximately 20% formal presentation (e.g. lecture, videos), 20% group discussion, 10% mid-term exam. During the theoretical classes, participants will receive substantial pre-course reading materials two weeks prior to the session. Another 50% of the course will consist of field work in a developing or developed country and a 50 page report emphasizing background, justifications, methodologies, relevant findings or results and recommendations. A literature review is not the objective of the field exercise, which stresses the importance of relating the work to practical planned research either in the tropics or in the temperate zone.

3. Course requirements:

The students are encouraged to attend all lectures and participate during the lectures and discussions. Attendance, participation, exam will count for 50%. In addition, each student will have to complete a 50 page report of his/her field training which will count for another 50% of final grade. Grades will be apportioned as follows: 9: 90-100%, 8: 80-89%, 7: 70-79%, 6: 60-69%, 5: 50-59%

4. Course objectives:

Upon completion of this course, you will:

- 1) have a solid knowledge in biophysical and socio-economic research in agroforestry.
- 2) practice agroforestry in the real world and work as an independent agroforester.

5. Purpose and objectives of field exercise (2 months):

The purpose is to:

- provide necessary practical (Hands-on) tools for visiting students.
- focus on planned research on tropical or temperate agroforestry systems within the context of sustainable agriculture and forestry productivity and rural development.

The objectives are to:

- enable visiting students the opportunity to be involved in agroforestry systems research within the programme for Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry that focuses on production systems using trees combined with agricultural crops and /or livestock.
- provide first-hand practical experience in agroforestry research methodologies in a tropical or temperate environment and enable visiting students the opportunity to apply relevant research material and significant findings to planned objectives.
- contribute to the development of new agroforestry research areas that are of primary interest to developing countries in efforts to relieve poverty, as well as to the developed countries.
- emphasize human equity and rights and contribute to economic social and ecological sustainability.
- to emphasize on-farm forestry/agroforestry, woodlot management initiatives involving the local farmers (men and women) to maintain a holistic gender approach to research and subsequent findings.
- strengthen ties and networking mechanisms with other international, regional, and local institutions operating in Costa Rica, Central America and the Caribbean, North America, Europe, Africa and Asia through integrated agricultural research and education systems.
- emphasize the importance of contributing to the publication of scientific and technical papers as well as teaching and rural extension methodologies.
- focus on research according to the sustainable development goal: 'Producing for conservation, and conservation for production'.

6. Course Topics:

- 1) Prospects of GPS/GIS in agroforestry and diagnosis and design (D&D)
- 2) Methods of biophysical research in agroforestry (plant component and/or animal component, edible mushrooms, edaphic and microclimatic components, biotic interactions, genetic improvement in agroforestry, elements of experimental design in agroforestry, ecophysiological aspects and spatio-temporal associations).

3) Methods of socio-economic research in agroforestry (socio-economic, cultural and political components, evaluation and adoption of agroforestry technologies, agroforestry extension)

**School of Forestry
University of Melbourne**

Undergraduate Subject in Agroforestry

<http://www.mtg.unimelb.edu.au/courses/undergra.htm>

As part of the degree courses in Agricultural Science and Forest Science the School of Forestry offer subjects in Agroforestry and Farm Forestry. Although these courses are generally only available to students enrolled in the faculty's own programs students from other faculties of The University of Melbourne and from other tertiary institutions are able to undertake the courses in some circumstances. Under the Universities Community Access Program, people not enrolled in our courses are able to participate in our agroforestry subjects as described below. The cost varies from about \$300 to \$600 depending on whether you require formal assessment and an academic record on completion. Successful applicants may receive credit towards a diploma or degree of the University although such credit is not automatic.

211-303 Farm Trees - Design Project

Third Year

Students of Forestry and Natural Resource Management are able to undertake studies in agroforestry and farm forestry beginning with a block release subject offered at Creswick and Dookie

Contact: 12 hours of lectures and 18 hours of practicals

Objectives:

By the end of the subject the student should be able to: Appreciate the principles of diagnosis and design in the development of agroforestry and farm forestry opportunities; have an understanding of the role of trees in providing for private landowner needs and aspirations; be able to undertake a multipurpose revegetation design project; and be familiar with the opportunities for landowners to produce commercial forest products from private native forests.

Content:

This field-based course covers fundamental aspects of farm revegetation planning, and relies on students' abilities to undertake self-directed learning. Students will be expected to participate in field-based learning exercises and information gathering so as to identify revegetation opportunities and constraints, and propose appropriate designs.

Presentation:

The course is presented in blocks and is largely focused on working directly with landowners interested in farm forestry projects

Assessment: One 2-hour written examination and 2 projects

211-441 Advanced Agroforestry

Forth Year Agricultural Science and Forest Science

The current forth year elective for students of forestry and agriculture offers students an introduction to agroforestry, farm forestry and property management planning for revegetation. In 1998 a third course will be developed for forestry students who have already completed Agroforestry 1.

Contact: 24 hours of lectures and 36 hours of practical work

Objectives:

By the end of the subject students should: have a working knowledge of agroforestry diagnosis and design as an approach to the development of farm tree management opportunities on farms in Australia and overseas; appreciate the importance of assessing landowners' needs, aspirations and performance criteria when designing agroforestry projects and development strategies; be able to develop technical design criteria for effective revegetation for resource conservation, agricultural production and direct commercial purposes; and be familiar with approaches to tree monitoring and evaluation.

Presentation:

The course includes weekly lectures and student tutorials, field trips and exercises. Students complete regional or farm based design projects and an examination (2 hours)

Assessment: Agroforestry design project (25 %), farm forestry strategy project (25 %) and 2-hour examination (50 %).

Graduate Certificate in Forest Science (Farm Forestry)

<http://www.mtg.unimelb.edu.au/courses/graduate.htm>

Course Synopsis

The Federal Government has provided partial funding to the School of Forestry at The University of Melbourne to provide a block release course in farm forestry and agroforestry as part of the National Farm Forestry Program (FFP). The objective of the FFP is to promote commercial wood production on cleared agricultural land.

Graduate Certificate in Forest Science (Farm Forestry).

First presented in 1993 the Graduate Certificate in Forest Science (Farm Forestry) has been presented in five states and has attracted more than 150 participants. The three-subject certificate course is conducted in blocks. Subjects 1 and 2 are one-week residential blocks located in appropriate regional centres approximately 3 months apart. Subject 3 is initiated at a 2 or 3 day meeting where participants themselves make presentations and are then required to undertake a major project in their own time. The subjects are conducted over approximately one year. The presenters are drawn from research organisations, industry, the community and academic institutions. Commonly, more than 10 presenters are involved in one teaching block.

Course objectives

1. To provide extension advisers, outstanding landholders and industrial forestry staff involved in farm forestry with the knowledge, skills and facilities to provide advice to those requiring farm forestry services.
2. To promote, through the dissemination of reliable information, commercial wood production on cleared agricultural land and the development of regional farm forestry industries to assist rural communities.
3. To assist the development of cooperative arrangements and interactions between existing State extension services, landcare programs, farm-based tree-planting groups and the forest industries.
4. To assist in the identification and development of possible demonstration farms and to use existing demonstration farms as part of the training program.
5. To facilitate the development of local, regional and national farm forestry networks.

Course outline

Participants will be required to attend three teaching block presentations, submit assignments for subjects One and Two, and prepare a regional strategy as a major project for Subject Three. The emphasis of the course is on the design of appropriate commercial agroforestry systems that not only produce quality produce for industry but also meet landowner and community needs. Each course involves field visits and practical exercises including field measurement, inspection of farms and research trials, visits to timber processing plants, and group exercises. The broad experience and expertise of the participants themselves is drawn on to enhance the course. Subjects 1 and 2 will be presented in two five-day blocks. Subject 3, the major project, will be initiated by a two or three day meeting of participants. Leading researchers, academics and practitioners from throughout Australia will be involved in the team teaching of each course. Content will reflect regional farm forestry potential while providing a sound national overview. Local field trips and demonstrations will be conducted during each subject to complement course work.

Subject 1 - Farm Planning and Sustainable Land Management

(5 days course work plus assignments)

Planning approaches to system design

Processes of land degradation: soil erosion, salinity, structural and fertility decline

Soil assessment and classification

Role of trees and shrubs in controlling land degradation

Provision of shade and shelter

Shelterbelt design and performance

Habitat design and management

Property and regional planning

Subject 2 - Integrating commercial tree growing with farming

(5 days course work plus assignments)

Regional, National and International timber markets and expected wood flows

Timber harvesting, marketing and processing

Farm Forestry and agroforestry design, establishment and management

Plantation and native forest silviculture

Economic evaluation of farm forestry

Research design and evaluation of options

Multiple use approaches to farm forestry

Subject 3 - Regional Agroforestry Project

(3 days of seminars and a 10 000 word project)

Design and development of research and extension strategies.

Each participant will be required to undertake a regional agroforestry diagnosis and design project and develop an agroforestry development plan for a region or farming system. Plans will include a site description, assessment of stakeholders and their

perceived needs and resources, design and management prescriptions for commercial timber production options, an economic and priority assessment and a research and extension plan.

TROPICAL AND SUB-TROPICAL AGROFORESTRY

Langara College
Vancouver, Canada

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The course will examine biodiversity in tropical crops and will relate it to plant science principles involving plant physiology, genetics, plant breeding and propagation. Discussions will focus on the role of these principles in the agronomy and utilization of tropical and sub-tropical agriculture. Lectures will cover the identification, crop origin, botany, physiology, genetics and culture of some tropical and sub-tropical crops:

Field crops: sugar-cane, tea, coffee, sisal, cocoa, cotton, rice, sorghum.

Fruits: bananas, mango, citrus, cashew, pineapple, avocado, papaya, coconut, guava, passion fruit, breadfruit.

Spices: cloves, cinnamon, pepper, vanilla, cardamon, ginger, turmeric, nutmeg.

Vegetables: tubers, corms, legumes, fruit and leafy vegetables.

Floriculture: cut flowers and ornamentals

The role of these crops in an integrated farming system will be reviewed, with main emphasis on Small-Holder agriculture in the tropics as well as new business development evolving for special niche markets and estate agriculture. The seminar theme section of the course could focus on either medicinal tropical plants or agroforestry systems as practiced in Africa, Asia, South Pacific and Central/South America.

Seminar topics:

I Agroforestry systems in Eastern Africa (Tanzania, Kenya, Rwanda, Sudan, Ethiopia).

Agroforestry systems in Western Africa (Cameroon, Nigeria).

Agroforestry systems in Southern Asia (India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh).

Agroforestry systems in S. East Asia (Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea).

Agroforestry systems in South America (Brazil, Venezuela, Paraguay).

II Medicinal, sacred religious, beverage, culinary, drug, poison, purgative and cosmetic tropical plants.

Field visits will include ICRAF in Nairobi (Int. Centre for Research in Agro-forestry), sugar-cane/ tea/ coconut/cashew estates and floriculture greenhouses.

GRADING SYSTEM:

Mid-term

30%

Final

40%

Seminar/Term Paper

30%

REFERENCE TEXTS:

Cobley, L. S. and W.M. Steele. (1976). An introduction to the Botany of Tropical Crops. Longman, London.

Nair, P.K.R- (1989). Agroforestry Systems in the Tropics. Kluwer Academic Publishers.

Norman, M.J.T., C.J. Pearson and D.G.E. Searly. (1984). The Ecology of Tropical Food Crops. Cambridge Univ. Press.

Purseylove, J.W. (1975). Tropical Crops I Monocotyledons. H Dicotyledons. Longman, London.

Smith, N.J.H., J.T. Williams, D.L. Pluckett and J.T. Talbot. (1992). Tropical forests and their crops. Comstock/Cornell.

Viola, H.J. and C. Margolis. (1991). Seeds of Change. Five hundred years sine Columbus. Smithsonian Institution Press.

Yamaguchi, M. (1983). World Vegetables. Principles, production and nutritive values. AVI Publ. Co. Connecticut.

Young, A. (1989). Agroforestry for Soil Conservation. CAB International.

JOURNALS:

Agroforestry Systems S600 A37
Tropical Agriculture
Queensland Agriculture
Agroforestry Today

The University of Adelaide/Australia

1536 Agroforestry

level: III points value: 3 duration: semester 2

contact hours: 2 hours of lectures plus associated practical work and excursions per week

content: the focus of this subject is the practical application of agroforestry in low and high rainfall environments in Australia. It also exposes students to agroforestry as it is practised elsewhere in the world. Topics include: the management of trees/shrubs for timber, fodder and other products; agroforestry for the control of salinity and ground water, soil erosion, and habitat management; practical tree establishment, maintenance and harvest; ecological interactions in agroforestry systems; the effect of shelter on crop, pasture and animal productivity, planning agroforestry on the farm; modelling agroforestry systems; agroforestry research and development in Australia; agroforestry in developing countries.

assessment: theory exam 55%; practical exam 15% assignments 30%

CRANFIELD UNIVERSITY/ SISLOE CAMPUS/ UK

<http://www.silsoe.cranfield.ac.uk/IWE/courses/MScNRM.htm>

Natural Resource Systems

This elective will provide you with the necessary knowledge and skills to design and manage productive and sustainable systems integrating tree, crop and animal production. A major attraction of the elective is that it brings together a wide range of disciplines including agroforestry, forestry, crop and animal management, socio-economics, and soil conservation.

At the end of this elective you will be able to:

Diagnose constraints on the development of natural resources.

Implement management techniques to improve the productivity and sustainability of natural resource systems.

Soil Plant Water Relationships Soil water movement The need for water, water uptake and transpiration, water stress.

Evapotranspiration: Modelling approaches. The use of computer models to simulate soil water dynamics in cropped and uncropped systems.

Soil Science Soil structure and texture, porous media physics. Soil chemistry in the context of the availability and behavior of plant nutrients: Soil water relations, retention, conductivity, soil mechanics, soil strength and behavior. Salinity and sodicity.

Natural Resource Production Systems Provides the student with an understanding of how sustainable natural resource production systems must integrate productivity with social, environmental and economic factors. Objectives and classifications of

natural resource systems. Farming system research methods, socio-cultural considerations. Sustainability: definitions and methods for assessment. Case-studies: High potential systems; Semi-arid systems; Hillside production systems; The Forest-agriculture interface; The Peri-urban interface; The Land-water interface. **Natural Resource Productivity** Provides the student with scientific and systematic frameworks for explaining and determining the productivity of tree, crop and animal production systems. Evaluating the environment, frameworks for yield analysis. Light interception, radiation use-efficiency, dry matter partitioning. Water use and water supply, water use efficiency. Soil fertility, soil conservation and shelter. Weeds, pests and diseases; effects of plant density. Animal productivity, forage quality. Utilisation of nutrients and energy

Agroforestry

The aim of this elective is to provide you with the necessary knowledge and skills to design and manage productive and sustainable systems integrating tree, crop and animal production. A major attraction of this elective is that it brings together a wide range of disciplines including agroforestry, forestry, crop management, plantation agriculture, socio-economics, and soil conservation.

At the end of this elective you should be able to:

Diagnose constraints on the development of natural resources.

Implement management techniques to improve the productivity and sustainability of natural resource systems.

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Course Schedule - Fall 1999

August 24	Introduction, Overview and Semester Project <i>Reading assignment:</i> <i>NRCS - Agroforestry - Functions and Values</i>
August 26	Principles of Agroforestry <i>Reading assignment:</i> <i>Gordon and Newman - pages 1-8</i>
August 31	Sample publications due Ecological Foundations for Temperate Agroforestry <i>Reading assignment:</i> <i>Gordon and Newman - pages 9-20</i>
September 2	Quiz #1 Windbreak Systems - Principles <i>Reading assignment:</i> <i>Brandle and Finch - How Windbreaks Work</i>
September 7	List of 3 topics due Windbreak Systems - Field Windbreaks - Crop Response <i>Reading assignment:</i> <i>Gordon and Newman - pages 21-27; 105-106; 128-133</i> <i>Brandle et al. - Field Windbreaks: Are They Economical?</i>
September 9	Windbreak Systems - Field Windbreaks - Snow and Wind Erosion <i>Reading Assignment:</i> <i>Brandle and Nickerson - Windbreaks for Snow Management</i>
September 14	Field Trip to ARDC Return to Lincoln by 8 PM. Dinner (pizza) will be provided.
September 16	Final topic due Alley-cropping Systems <i>Reading Assignment:</i> <i>Gordon and Newman - pages 35-48</i>
September 21	Quiz #2 Alley-cropping Systems <i>Reading Assignment:</i>

- Gordon and Newman - pages 169-177; 201-220*
- September 23 Inter-cropping Systems
Reading Assignment:
Williams and Gordon - The potential of intercropping as an alternative land use system in temperate North America
- September 28 **Outline due**
Lay-out and design of your paper (Kim Isaacson, National Agroforestry Center)
- September 30 Silvopastoral Systems - Livestock and Forage
Reading Assignment:
Gordon and Newman - pages 27-35; 85-104; 181-197
- October 5 **First Exam**
Covers all material presented through and including September 23. It does not include silvopastoral systems
- October 7 Silvopastoral Systems - Timber Production
Reading assignment:
Sharrow - Silvopastoralism: Competition and facilitation between trees, livestock, and improved grass-clover pastures on temperate rainfed lands
- October 12 Livestock and Farmstead Windbreaks
Reading Assignment:
Wight and Brandle - Windbreaks for Rural Living
Quam et al - Windbreaks for Livestock Operations
- October 14 **First draft of paper due**
Windbreaks and Wildlife
Reading Assignment:
Cable - Nonagricultural benefits of windbreaks in Kansas
Johnson et al - Windbreaks and Wildlife
- October 19 **No Class Fall Break**
- October 21 **Quiz #3**
Tropical Systems - An overview
Reading Assignment:
Nair - Distribution of agroforestry systems in the tropics, pages 39-53
- October 26 Tropical Systems - Home garden Systems and Forest Farming Systems
Reading Assignment:
Nair - Home gardens, pages 85-97
- October 28 Tropical Systems - Sociocultural considerations
Nair - Sociocultural considerations, pages 413-427
- November 2 **Quiz #4**
Riparian Systems - Overview
Reading Assignment:
Gordon and Newman pages 48-55
Gregory et al. - An ecosystem perspective of riparian zones
- November 4 **Second draft due**
Riparian Systems - Water Quality
Reading Assignment:
Osborne and Kovacic - Riparian vegetated buffer strips in water-quality restoration and stream management
- November 9 Riparian Systems - Wildlife
Reading Assignment:
Schaefer and Brown - Designing and protecting river corridors for wildlife
Croonquist and Brooks - Effects of habitat disturbance on bird communities in riparian corridors
- November 11 Riparian Systems - Forest Management
Reading Assignment

November 16	Forest Management <i>Sykes et al. - Crop tree management in riparian zones</i> <i>Reading Assignment:</i> <i>Smith et al - Silviculture and its place in forestry</i>
November 18	Final draft due Speciality Crops/Products - Overview <i>Reading Assignment:</i> <i>Quam et al. - Windbreaks in Sustainable Agricultural Systems</i> <i>Chamberlain et al. - Non-timber forest products</i>
November 23	Second Exam due in my office by 5 PM This will be a take-home exam and will cover all the material presented this semester.
November 25	No class - Thanksgiving break
November 30	Final Camera Ready Copy due Agroforestry - Policies for the future <i>Reading assignment:</i> <i>Gordon and Newman - pages 63-70; 251-266</i> <i>Naiman et al. - The role of riparian corridors in maintaining regional biodiversity</i>
December 2	Paper Presentations <i>Reading assignment:</i> <i>Four student papers</i>
December 7	Paper Presentations <i>Reading assignment</i> <i>Four student papers</i>
December 9	Paper Presentations <i>Reading assignment</i> <i>Four student papers</i>

AGROFORESTRY SYSTEMS IN SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

FFW 417/817

COURSE OUTLINE

Fall 1999

Jim Brandle and Sarah Workman

Class Meeting: 3:45 - 5:00 Tuesday and Thursday
272 Plant Sciences

INTRODUCTION: A study of the roles of woody plants in sustainable agricultural systems of temperate regions. Emphasis will be on the ecological and economic benefits of trees and shrubs in the agricultural landscape.

Topics include:

1. Principles of and ecological foundations for agroforestry
2. Shelterbelts, structure, function, benefits and design.
3. Intercropping systems and silvopastoral systems.
4. Structure and function of riparian systems.
5. Production of timber and specialty crops as part of agricultural systems.
6. A comparison of temperate agroforestry systems to those of tropical areas.

OBJECTIVES: Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

- 1) Identify the benefits and limitations of woody plants in agricultural systems at both the local and regional scale.

- 2) Describe the relationships between shelterbelt structure, aerodynamics and the resulting microclimate and demonstrate this understanding by designing shelterbelt systems for various objectives.
- 3) Describe the mechanisms by which riparian buffer strips function in reducing non-point source pollution from agricultural systems.
- 4) Compare and contrast the different types of agroforestry systems common to temperate regions.
- 5) Identify and evaluate the economic costs and benefits of woody plants in sustainable agricultural systems.
- 6) Identify, compare, and contrast the positive and negative attributes of tropical agroforestry systems.

TEXTBOOK: **Temperate Agroforestry Systems** by A. Gordon and S. Newman
Additional reprint materials will be distributed in class.

OFFICE HOURS:

Jim Brandle	Office - Room 3B Plant Industry Building Office hours are 8-10 AM. T/Th or By appointment (472-6626) or when I am in. I am generally <u>not</u> available from 2:00 to 3:30 on T/Th.
Sarah Workman	Office - Room 111, National Agroforestry Center, USFS Bldg. Office hours are 1-3 PM M/W By appointment (437-5178 extension 40)

GENERAL POLICIES: Although roll will not always be taken, students are expected to attend all class periods. You are responsible for the material covered each period. If you find it necessary to miss a class meeting, it is your responsibility to arrange for obtaining the information covered. Class participation is encouraged and expected and counts as part of your grade.

In any case where dishonesty is a consideration, the Procedural Policy - Academic Honesty, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, will be followed. Plagiarism will NOT be tolerated!

GRADING: There are a total of 1000 points to be earned in the semester.

1) Exams - 2 at 125 pts each, for a total 250 points or 25% of the final grade.

There will be two exams. Both will be comprehensive and cover all material to date. The first is an in class exam and is scheduled for October 5. The second will be a take home exam and will be due by 5PM, Tuesday November 23. It will be distributed November 18.

2) Quizzes - 4 quizzes at 50 points each, for a total of 200 points or 20% of the final grade.

The quizzes will emphasize recall of information presented since the last quiz **and** all assigned reading material. Dates for quizzes will not be changed.

3) Term Paper - 400 points or 40% of the final grade.

This semester we will be preparing a full-color extension type publication. Each student will receive a set of all the finished publications of the class. The finished product will be 3 or 4 typeset pages (for graduate students it will be 5 or 6 typeset pages). There are approximately two typed pages (12 point type, doubled spaced pages) per typeset page. The audience is considered to be practicing professionals such as an extension educators, NRD managers, or NRCS district conservationists **and** the general public with an interest in the topic. All of the topics will relate to Agroforestry or the use of woody vegetation in the agricultural landscape. This is a semester long project and has a number of different tasks which **must** be completed. Each task will be evaluated and will be part of the final term paper grade. Penalties (2 points per day) will be assessed for late materials **All materials must be typed!**

Evaluation of sample publications - Find 3 examples of extension publications representing 3 different styles **and** 3 different topics. Topics do not have to be agroforestry related but it will help in the long run if they are. You cannot use the ones handed out in class! Make a copy of each. Copies of extension publications from UNL are available from ICCS located in the warehouse near the bridge on the north side of East Campus. The mailroom is on the south side of the building. For each publication, identify what you liked about the publication and what you did not like about the publication. This is the same as identifying the strengths and weaknesses of the publication. Identify the intended audience. Maximum of 1 typed page per example. You need to turn in the publication and the critique. **Due August 31** (15 points out of 400).

List of 3 topics - You need to develop a list of 3 possible topics that **you** want to write about. List in priority. A list of possible topics is attached to get you started. You are not restricted to the list! For each topic you need to provide a brief (2 to 3 sentences) explanation of the topic. We will provide you with feedback on these topics. **Due September 7** (15 points out of 400). We will comment and return on September 17.

Your final topic choice - Based on our comments and your interests you need to select and define your topic. You need to provide a short paragraph (4 to 6 sentences) which explains your topic and the approach you will take. **Due September 16** (20 points out of 400). We will comment and return by September 21. To change topics after this date **requires approval by instructors.**

Detailed outline of paper - You need to provide a detailed topic outline of the paper. It should include the main topics you will be discussing and some level of detail about the main points. It should be a maximum of 2 pages, double spaced. **Due September 28** (50 points out of 400). We will comment and return by October 5.

First draft - Essentially a completed paper. Emphasis will be on the text but all figures, tables, and photos should be included. Attached to the paper should be a list of references which you used. They are not included in the paper but they **MUST** be attached. You will be using other people's information and it is important to give credit. Typically Extension publications do not cite references but we will need to acknowledge the work of others. For undergraduates this paper should be between 7 and 10 typed pages including all figures, tables, and photos. For graduate students it should be 12 to 15 pages. **Due October 14** (75 points out of 400). We will comment and return by October 19.

Second draft - This draft is equally important and should incorporate the comments received on the first draft. This is the first time format will be important. You will need to decide on a format based on your review of sample extension publications. We will be using Adobe PageMaker 6.5 and will have people to help layout your paper and you will need to work with us as you do this. Scanners and printers will be available to help and there are other locations on campus that provide this kind of service. We will talk about this in class. Details and layout are very important. Publication is still in black and white. Typeset page limits will prevail so we will be looking at 3 to 4 pages for undergraduates and 5 to 6 pages for graduate students. **Due November 4** (75 points out of 400) We will comment and return by November 9.

Final draft - This draft should address all of our comments. It should be the very best you can do and should be a finished paper. This will be the first full color version of your paper. Photos and figures should be in full color. **Due November 18** (75 points out of 400). We will comment and return by November 23. You can pick it up when you turn in your take home exam..

Camera ready copy - Corrections based on comments on the final draft must be addressed. You will need to provide a copy for each member of the class. These will be printed in our lab at no cost to you. Papers must be prepared on Adobe PageMaker 6.5 including all figures, photos and tables. Other publication packages may be used but then you must provide a final color copy for each member of the class. **Due November 30** (75 points out of 400).

4) Presentation of your paper 50 points or 5% of the final grade.

Each student will be expected to present their paper to the class during the last two weeks of the semester. The order will be based on the topics and will be provided in early November. You will have a total of 15 minutes; 10 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions.

5) Class participation - 100 points or 10% of your final grade

You are encouraged and expected to participate in class discussions on a regular basis. Please ask questions and offer suggestions or ideas. Excessive absences will not help your grade. Your active participation in the discussion is extremely important.

Grading scale

970- 1000	A+	700 -
	770 C	
900 - 970	A	670 -
	700 D+	
870 - 900	B+	650 -
	670 D	
800 - 870	B	0 -
	650 F	
770 - 800	C+	

We reserve the right to lower the points required for a particular letter grade but will NOT raise them.

SUPPLEMENTAL READING AND REFERENCES

The following items are for your information. You may choose to read as many or as few as you wish. They are intended to provide additional information not presented in class and will enhance your understanding of various topics and provide additional background information for class discussions. The list also includes general reference material.

Brandle, J.R., D.L. Hintz and J.W. Sturrock (eds), 1988. Windbreak Technology. Elsevier Science Publishers, Amsterdam, 598 pages.

Buck, L.E., J.P. Lassoie, and E.C.M. Fernandes, 1999. Agroforestry in Sustainable Agricultural Systems. CRC/Lewis Publishers, Boca Raton, 416 pages.

Bunce, R.G.H., L. Ryszkowski and M.G. Paoletti, 1993. Landscape Ecology and Agroecosystems. Lewis Publishers, Boca Raton, 241 pages.

Felker, P. (ed), 1986. Tree Plantings in Semi-Arid Regions. Elsevier, Amsterdam, 444 pages.

Forman, R.T.T., 1995. Land Mosaics. Cambridge Press, Cambridge, 632 pages.

Kidd, C.V. and D. Pimentel (eds), 1992. Integrated Resource Management - Agroforestry for Development. Academic Press, San Diego, 223 pages.

- MacDicken, K.G. and N.T. Vergara (eds), 1990. *Agroforestry: Classification and Management*. John Wiley & Sons, NY. 382 pages.
- Nair, P.K.R., 1993. *An Introduction to Agroforestry*. Kluwer Academic Publishers, The Netherlands, 499 pages.
- Ong, C.K. and P. Huxley (eds), 1996. *Tree-Crop Interactions: A Physiological Approach*. CAB International, Nairobi, Kenya, 386 pages.
- Paoletti, M.G., B.R. Stinner and G.G. Lorenzoni. 1989. *Agricultural Ecology and Environment*, Elsevier, Amsterdam. 636 pages.
- Prinsley, R.T. (ed). 1992. *The Role of Trees in Sustainable Agriculture*. Kluwer Academic Publ., Dordrecht, The Netherlands, 186 pages.
- Sinclair, F.L., 1995. *Agroforestry: Science Policy and Practice*. *Agroforestry Systems* Vol 30, Nos. 1 and 2.
- Seemann, J., Y.I. Chirkov, J. Lomas, B. Primault, 1979. *Agrometeorology*. Springer-Verlag, Berlin, 324 pages.

Syllabus MTU

FW571 - Trees in Agricultural Systems

Text: *Raising and Sustaining Productivity of Smallholder Farming Systems in the Tropics* by Willem C. Beets.
The New Forester by Barry van Gelder and Phil O'Keefe
 Other Readings will be assigned.

Week 1:

Tuesday: Introduction.

Thursday: Reading and Discussion: Chapter 1 of Beets

Week 2:

Tuesday: Farming Systems

Main:

Babu, K.S., D. Jose, and C. Gokulapalan. 1992. Species diversity in a Kerala home garden. *Agroforestry Today* 1992(July-Sept.):15

Harris, F. 1996. Intensification of agriculture in semi-arid areas: lessons from the Kano Close-Settled Reserve, Nigeria. IIED

Gatekeepers series. No. 59. 20 pp.

Individual Readings:

Fernandes, L.C.M., A. Oktingati, and J. Maghembe. 1984. The Chagga home gardens: a multistoried agroforestry cropping system on Mt. Kilimanjaro (Northern Tanzania) *Agroforestry Systems* 2:73-86.

Thom, D.J., and J.C. Wells. 1987. Farming systems in the Niger inland delta, Mali. *The Geographical Review* 77(3):328-342

Works, M.A. date? *Aguaruna agriculture in eastern Peru*. *The geographical review*. date? vol? 343-358..

Zurick, D.N. 1990 Traditional knowledge and conservation as a basis for development in a west Nepal village. *Mountain. Res.*

and Dev. 10(1):23-33.

Supplementary Readings:

Bunch, R., and G. Lopez 1995 Soil recuperation in central America: sustaining innovation after intervention.. Gatekeeper series

No. 55. International Institute for Environment and Development. London, 16 pp.

de Vries, J. 1990. Zero grazing: successfully using livestock in a regenerative farming system. *VITA News* April, 1990, 11-12.

Dichter, T.W. 1988. @41 @41.2 @41.4 @76 A commodity sector approach to small enterprise development: a paradoxical

new synthesis. VITA News January, 1988 pp 8-11, 20.

Hammer, J.S. 1986 "Subsistence first": farm allocation decisions in Senegal. *J. Dev. Econ.* 23(1986):355-369

Ivens, G. 1983. The natural control of *Imperata cylindrica*: Nigeria and northern Thailand. *Mountain Research and*

Development 3(4):372-377.

Sperling, L., and U. Scheidegger. 1995 Participatory selection of beans in Rwanda: results, methods, and institutional issues.

Gatekeeper series No. 51. International Institute for Environment and Development. London, 16 pp.

Thursday: Chapter 2 Beets

Week 3:

Tuesday: Agroforestry

Main Readings:

Mollet, M. et al. 1995. The "Top 10" species in Cameroon: a survey of farmers' views on trees.

Agroforestry Today

7(3/4):14-16

Raintree, J.B. 1986. Agroforestry pathways: land tenure, shifting cultivation, and sustainable agriculture.

Unasylva 38(4):2-15

Individual Readings:

Alteri, M.A., and J. Farrel. 1984. Traditional farming systems in south-central Chile, with special emphasis on agroforestry.

Agrofor. Sys. 2:3-18

Anon. 1989. The Apple Ring: Whether you call it *Faidherbia* or *Acacia*, it's a very useful tree. *Agroforestry Today* 1(2):11-12

Brook, R.M. 1994. Alley cropping for sweet potato in Papua New Guinea. *Nitrogen Fixing Tree Research Report*.

11(1993):35-39.

Liyange, M. de S., K.G. Tejwani, and P.K.R. Nair. 1984. Intercropping under coconuts in Sri Lanka.

Agrofor. Sys.

2:215-228.

Miehe, S. 1986 *Acacia albida* and other multipurpose trees on the Fur farmlands in the Jebel Marra highlands, Western Dafur,

Sudan. *Agroforestry Systems.* 4:89-119

Poschen, P. 1986 An evaluation of the *Acacia albida* based agroforestry practices in the Hararghe highlands of eastern

Ethiopia. *Agroforestry Systems* 4:129-143.

Skutsch, M.M., 1983 Why people don't plant trees: the socioeconomic impacts of existing woodfuel programs: village case studies in Tanzania.

Turk, D. 1990 Leguminous trees as forage for edible caterpillars. *Nitrogen Fixing Tree Research Reports* 8:75-77.

Weinstock, J.A. and N.T. Vergara. 1987. Land or plants: agricultural tenure in agroforestry systems. *Econ. Botany.*

41(2):217-234.

Supplementary Readings:

Anderson, A.B., et al. 1995. Forest management patterns in the floodplain of the Amazon estuary.

Conservation Biology

9(1):47-61.

Chandranth, M.G., et al. 1990? Temple forests in India's forest development. *Agroforestry Systems.* forthcoming

Fagg, C.W., and J.L. Stewart. 1994. The value of *Acacia* and *Prosopis* in arid and semi-arid environments. *J. Arid*

Environments 27:3-25.

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Kunstadter, P., 1983. Karen agroforestry: processes, functions, and implications for socio-economic, demographic and environmental change in northern Thailand. *Mountain Research and Development*. 3(4):326-337.

Lawrence, D.C., et al. 1995. Availability and extraction of forest products in managed and primary forest around a Dayak Village in West Kalimantan, Indonesia. *Conservation Biology* 9(1):76-88.

Lazaro, M., M. Pariona, and R. Simeone. 1993. A Natural harvest: The Yanasha Forestry Cooperative in Peru combines western science and indigenous knowledge. *Cultural Survival Quarterly*. Spring 1993, pp48-51.

Noronha, R. 1981. Why is it so difficult to grow fuelwood? *Unasylva* 23(131):4-12

Rambo, A.T. 1982. Human ecology research on the tropical agroecosystems in Southeast Asia. *Singapore Journal of Tropical Geography*. 3(1):86-99.

Saxena, N.C. 1992. Farm forestry and land-use in India: Some Policy Issues. *Ambio* 21(6):420-425

Stewart, M., and T. Blomley. 1994. Use of *Melia volkensii* in a semi-arid agroforestry system in Kenya. *Commonwealth For. Rev.* 73(2):128-131.

Thursday: Chapter 3 of Beets

Week 4:

Tuesday: PRA

Main Readings:

Chambers, R. 1994. Twenty-one tips for short PRA workshops with lots of people. *PLA Notes* 19:105-108.

Jones, Carolyn 1996. Insider and outsider voting: reflections from Scotland. *PLA Notes* 27:84.

Mearns, R., et al. 1994. Natural resource mapping and seasonal variations and stresses in Mongolia. *PLA Notes* 20:95-105.

Individual Readings:

Bernadas, C.N., Jr. 1991. Lessons in upland farmer participation: the case of enriched fallows in Jaro, Leyte, Philippines. *Forest Trees and People Newsletter* 14:10-13.

Carter, J. et al. 1995. Local people's participation in forest resource assessment: an analysis of recent experience with case studies from Indonesia and Mexico. *Commonwealth For. Rev.* 74(4):333-342.

Emerton, L., and H. Mogaka. 1996. Participatory environmental valuation of forest resources in Aberdares, Kenya. *PLA Notes* 26:6-10.

Fairhead, J. 1991. Methodological notes of exploring indigenous knowledge and management of crop health. *RRA Notes* 14:39-42.

Gill, G.J. 1991. "But how does it compare with the real data?" *RRA Notes* 14:5-13.

Inglis, A. 1991. Harvesting local forestry knowledge: a comparison of RRA and conventional techniques. *RRA Notes* 12:32-40.

Ortega-Espaldon, V., and L.M. Florece. 1990. Rapid rural appraisal: lessons learnt from experiences in Palawan, The Philippines. *RRA Notes* 9:12-17.

Schaefer, S. 1992. The "Beans-Game": experiences with a variation of wealth ranking in the Kivu region, eastern Zaire. *RRA Notes* 15:27-28.

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Sharrock, G. O'G., K.J. Waldie, and Y.R. Joshi. 1993. Wealth ranking for agricultural research purposes in the eastern hills of Nepal. RRA Notes 18:53-59.

Stocking, M. and N. Abel. 1981. Ecological and environmental indicators for the rapid appraisal of natural resources. Agricultural Administration 8(1981):473-484.

Thursday: Chapter 4 of Beets

Week 5:

Seminar: Crops and Soils

Main Reading:

Dialla, B.E. 1994. @41 @75 The Mossi indigenous soil classification in Burkina Fasso. Indigenous Knowledge and Development Monitor. 1(3):17-18.

Reij, C. 1991. Indigenous Soil and Water Conservation in Africa. SA27. Sustainable Agriculture Gatekeeper Series. IIED London

Individual Readings:

Bellon, M.R., and J.E. Taylor. 1993. "Folk" Soil taxonomy and the partial adoption of new seed varieties. Econ. Devel. Cult. Change 41(4):763-786.

BOSTID. 1996. "Fonio" pp. 59-75 in Lost Crops of Africa: vol 1. Grains. National Academy Press, Washington DC. 383 pp.

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Larsson, Helena. 1996. @76 @78 @78.9 Relationships between rainfall and sorghum, millet and seame in Kassala Province, Eastern Sudan. J. Arid Env. 32:211-223.

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Supplementary Readings:

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Bunch, R., and G. Lopez 1995 Soil recuperation in central America: sustaining innovation after intervention.. Gatekeeper series No. 55. International Institute for Environment and Development. London, 16 pp.

Sutcliffe, J.P. 1995. Soil conservation and land tenure in highland Ethiopia. *Ethiopian journal of development research*, 17(1):63-88. LTC Periodical Shelf

Wolkomir, R. 1997. Getting down and dirty for science. *Smithsonian* 27(12):74-83.

Thursday: Chapter 5 of Beets

Week 6:

Tuesday: Seminar: Arid Lands:

Main Reading:

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Walker, B.H. 1993. Rangeland ecology: Understanding and managing change. *Ambio* 22(2-3):80-87.

Westoby, M., B. Walker, and I. Noy-Meir. 1989. Opportunistic management for rangelands not at equilibrium. *J. Range Management*. 42:266-274.

White, C. (1984). *Herd reconstitution: the role of credit among Wodaabe herders in central Niger*. London. Overseas

Development Institute, Pastoral Development Network. 18 pp.

Supplementary Readings:

Barnes, J.I. 1995. Economic analysis of community-based wildlife utilisation initiatives in Botswana. *Development Southern Africa*, 12(6):783-804

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Fuls, E.R., 1992. Semi-arid and arid rangelands: a resource under siege due to patch-selective grazing. *J. of Arid Env.* 22:191-193.

Kohler-Rollefson, I. 1994. Traditional pastoralists as guardians of biological diversity. *Indigenous Knowledge and Development Monitor* 1(3):14-16.

Le Houerou, H.N. 1984. Rain use efficiency: a unifying concept in arid-land ecology. *J. Arid Environments*. 7:213-247.

Le Houerou, H.N. 1989. The grazing land ecosystems of the African Sahel. Springer-Verlag, Ecological Studies No. 78.

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Thursday: Chapter 6 of Beets

Week 7:

Tuesday: Lecture, Tree Plantings and Nurseries.

Thursday: Chapter 7 of Beets through page 530.

Week 8:

Tuesday: Project Seminar.

Thursday: Finish Chapter 7 of Beets.

Week 9

Tuesday: Project Seminar.

Thursday: Chapter 8 of Beets

Week 10

Tuesday: No class.

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Main Readings:

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Waters, T. 1989. Money in Development: necessities and contradictions. VITA News July, 1989, pp. 17-19

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resources. *Cons. Bio.* 1(1):49-58.

Bromley, D.W., and M.M. Cernea The management of common property natural resources: some conceptual and operational

fallacies. World Bank Discussion Paper No. 57

Butterfield, R.P., 1996. Early species selection for tropical reforestation: a consideration of stability. *Forest Ecology and*

Management 81:161-168

Hammer, J.S. 1986 "Subsistence first": farm allocation decisions in Senegal. *J. Dev. Econ.* 23(1986):355-369

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Sumatra, Indonesia. *Economic geography*, 70:3, 1994, p. 273-296

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Final Exam: Due by Thursday, May 20, 9:45 a.m.

Grading:

30% class participation, scored -3,-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3

20% written report - a three page executive summary + bibliography (pairs)

25% seminar (pairs or threes)

25% final exam - Open book/Open note - take home.

* I reserve the right to move final grades up or down up to 5 points.

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Development Study Guide No. 2. Regents Park, London. 322 pp.

Feldstein, Hillary, and Susan Coates. 1989. Working together: gender analysis in agriculture (2 vols.). Kumarian Press.
Paperback. \$30.45. ISBN 0-931816-59-9. Out of Print.

Hildebrand, P.E., and J.T. Russell 1996. Adaptability Analysis: A method for the design analysis, and interpretation of on-farm research-extension. Iowa State U. Press.

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University of MN

FR 3251 Role of Renewable Natural Resources in Developing Countries

| Class Schedule | Bookstore |

same as: FR 5251, LAS 3251, A-F only, SP - =5251, 1 cr

Instructor: STAFF

An international perspective on environmental, social, and economic issues associated with renewable natural resources use

and misuse in developing countries. Issues covered include: deforestation in the tropics, watershed management and

protection of investment in the Green Revolution, agroforestry, the role of women in sustainable development projects, and

case studies from various countries. Target audience: all university students.

Class URL: <http://www.cue.umn.edu/fr3250>

Class time: 50% lecture, 50% discussion

Work load: 30 pages of reading per week, 3 paper(s)

Grade: 95% written report(s)/paper(s), 5% class participation

Exam format: essays

Syllabi and course descriptions from FAO Latin American Agroforestry Network (separated by country)

Argentina

Universidad Nacional de Misiones

Program of study in the course of agroforestry:

The agroforestry theme includes its concepts and importance.

The agrosilviculture theme includes the systems, perspectives, and purposes of agroforestry.

The agropastoral theme includes systems, perspectives, and purposes.

Universidad Nacional de la Plata

Description of agroforestry course:

- Definition and significance of agrosilvopastoral systems
- diversification
- polycultures and monocultures and their comparative effects on the use of the earth

- factors conditional on the production of the components of the system
- intercropping trees
- evaluation techniques of biological, ecological, social and political aspects
- measuring productivity
- strategies for the planning, design, management, and use of agrosilvopastoral systems

Bolivia

Universidad Autónoma "Gabriel René Moreno"

Description of agroforestry course:

4 parts:

1. perennial crops and forest resources
2. classification of agroforestry systems
3. planning
4. evaluation following (more or less) *Agroforestry Systems, Principles, and Applications in the Tropics*, published by CATIE/OTS (1986)

Universidad Mayor de San Andrés

Agroforestry: Agroforestry systems
 Definition
 Simple system
 Complex system
 Open and closed systems
 Componentes of a primary and secondary system
 Advantages and disadvantages of agroforestry systems
 Meteorological problems in the valleys and the *altiplano*

Agroforestry systems:

Windbreak
 Live fences
 Slow formation of terraces
 Protection of terraces
 Protection of infiltration ditches
 Formation of small forests
 Cattle protection
 Trees with agricultural crops

Recommended forestry species
 Entomology/forestry

Learning materials used for the course in agroforestry:

Videos:

Erosion: everyone's problem
 Where and how to plant trees for our benefit
 Community forestry development
Q'uapacqueña
 The community tree nursery

Slides:

Manual of forest extension
 Slides on agroforestry systems in Bolivia

Brasil

Faculdade de Engenharia Florestal

Program of studies for the agroforestry course:

Conceptualization, ecological bases, classification of agroforestry systems, methods, management of agroforestry systems, diagnostic of systems, and case studies.

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Departamento que ofrece el curso agroforestal

Departamento de Engenharia Florestal
Caixa Postal 308
36570-000 Viçosa, MG, Brasil

- I. introduction
history
soil use capacity
current use of the land
- II. conceptualization and classification
agrosilviculture
silvopastoral
agrosilvopastoral
- III. ecological parameters for agroforestry systems
biomass: productivity and production of biomass, succession and climax state, determination of biomass, structural aspects of the vegetable community, heterogeneity of species, complexity of structure, structural analysis, soil and microenvironment, nutrient cycling, microenvironmental indicators
- IV. economic parameters
criteria of economic analysis
- V. species selection for agroforestry systems
agricultural crops
perennial crops
forestry species
forage species
animal species
- VI. case studies
agrosilviculture, silvopastoral, and agrosilvopastoral
- VII. project procedure
identification of problems
solutions

Universidade de Brasilia

Course in agroforestry:

Classification of systems
Planning
Management and evaluation
Ecological aspects
Case studies

Escola Superior de Agricultura de Lavras

Course description:

Basic silvo-eco-physiological concepts
Classification
Advantages and disadvantages

Potential and limitations
Practices and methods of management of agroforestry systems
Potential agroforestry systems for the various regions of Brazil
Case studies

At the end of the course, students must produce, present and defend an agroforestry project. At the end of the year, students will have a technical/scientific field trip to the Forestal de la Compañía Vale do Rio Doce reserve in Linhares, Espírito Santo to know and study some agroforestry experiences in this location.

Course description (post graduate):

Sustainability of agroforestry systems
Above-ground analysis related to agroforestry systems
Species selection
Management of agroforestry systems
Research
Extension techniques

Universidade de São Paulo

Escola Superior de Agricultura "Luiz de Queiroz" Departamento de Ciências Florestais

Description of agroforestry course:

Principal components: technical base of agroforestry systems and examples in Brazil and worldwide, with major emphasis on humid and semi-humid tropical areas of Brazil.

COLOMBIA

Universidad de Tolima

Facultad de Ingeniería Forestal

Course includes:

Definition of agroforestry
Agroforestry as a systematic concept
Classification of agroforestry systems
Evaluation of agroforestry systems
Home gardens of the Colombian Pacific communities seen as agroforestry systems

COSTA RICA

Escuela de Agricultura de la Región Tropical Húmeda (EARTH)

Course description:

Characterize and analyze components of an agroforestry system and their interactions

CHILE

Escuela de Ciencias Forestales

Course content:

Introduction: concept and definition of agroforestry
Classification of agroforestry systems
 Classification system of ICRAF
 Sustainability vs. productivity
Ecophysiology of agroforestry systems
 Limiting factors of production and design in agroforestry systems: light, water, nutrients
Forest community development

- Technology transfer
- Diagnosis and Design (ICRAF)
- Agroforestry extension methodologies
- Evaluation, monitoring, and research methodologies
- Economic evaluation of agroforestry systems
- Estimation and prediction of prices and markets
- The incorporation of risk and uncertainty in the economic analysis

Ecuador

Universidad Nacional de Loja
Facultad de Ciencias Agrícolas
Escuela de Ingeniería Forestal

Course content:

- Concepts, advantages and disadvantages of agroforestry
- Agroforestry systems; description and function
- Agroforestry practices and management of agroforestry systems
- Applicability of agroforestry systems in conservation of soils, provision of fuelwood, timber, and improvement of crop production
- Communities and the tree
- Identification of agroforestry systems in la Hoya de Loja
- Design of agroforestry systems, mixed gardens

GUATEMALA

Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala

Course description:

- Introduction to agroforestry systems
- Agroforestry practices and technologies
- Design of agroforestry systems
- Extension and diffusion techniques
- Research techniques of agroforestry systems

Honduras

Escuela Nacional de Ciencias Forestales

Course content:

- Fundamentals of agroforestry
- Current use and potential of soil and its classification
- Classification of agroforestry systems
- Identification of different techniques of agroforestry for conservation of soils
- Identification of vegetable and animal species used in agroforestry systems
- Planning and implementation of agroforestry systems
- Evaluation of adoption by the user in accordance with the socioeconomic and environmental conditions present

NICARAGUA

Universidad Nacional Agraria

Course content:

- Concepts and history of agroforestry
- Agroforestry perspective
- Potential of agroforestry
- Classification of agroforestry systems
- Planning of agroforestry systems
- Management and evaluation of agroforestry systems

Perú

Universidad Nacional de la Amazonía Peruana

Course content:

- Definition
- Principles of agroforestry
- Role of integrated vegetation management in the agricultural cycle
- Role of agroforestry in environmental conservation
- Agroforestry models used in the humid tropics and Amazonia
- Case studies
- Socioeconomic aspects
- Planning agroforestry systems

Universidad Nacional Agraria de la Selva

Agroforestry course:

- I. Introduction
 - Concepts and objectives
 - Identification, classification, and functions
 - Principle systems
- II. Soil and tree cover
 - Agricultural production in forest soils
- III. Functions of the forest component with respect to the soil
 - Nutrient competition
 - Determination of biomass
 - Determination of vegetable residues
- IV. Analysis of agroforestry systems
 - Socioeconomic survey
 - Design of systems
 - Percentage of sunlight
 - Lateral view
 - Horizontal view
 - Vertical view
 - Equilibrium between silviculture and agriculture
 - Monoculture, its advantages
 - Social aspect of agroforestry
- V. Agroforestry models
 - Agrisilviculture
 - Silvopastoral
 - Integrated systems
- VI. Component selection
 - Economically important agricultural crops
 - Subsistence agricultural crops
 - Native fruits
 - Multiple use trees in agroforestry systems

- VII. Forrage trees
 - Management of agroforestry systems
 - Evaluation of agroforestry systems
 - Ecological benefits
 - Costs
 - Case studies
- VIII. Socioeconomic diagnostics
 - Selection of species: agricultural, pasture, and forest
 - Installation of demonstration plots

Universidad Nacional de Ucayali

Course content:

- Introduction to agroforestry (concept, history, other aspects)
- Classification of agroforestry systems
- Management and evaluation of agroforestry systems
- Design of agroforestry systems

REPUBLICA DOMINICANA

Instituto Superior de Agricultura

Course content:

- Production techniques
- Advantages and disadvantages of agroforestry systems
- Socioeconomic aspects of agroforestry systems
- Ecological aspects of agroforestry systems

VENEZUELA

Universidad de los Andes

Course description:

- Agroforestry description and definition
- Systems in agroforestry
- National inventory of agroforestry, with focus on successful systems
- Soil fertility and conservation in agroforestry systems
- Diagnosis and Design of agroforestry systems
- Research of agroforestry systems
- Socioeconomic effects of agroforestry systems