## Packing & Outfitting ANEQ-349 Fall - 2017

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Location: Equine Teaching and Research Center, Fort Collins, CO

Student Lounge, lecture, & Bill Pickett Arena (under north stands)

**Course Description:** The purpose of this class is to teach the skills for the handling and use of saddle horses, camping equipment, tack, back country rules and regulations, safety of and first aid for animals, minimum impact and other basic information regarding the packing and outfitting Industry and back country travel.

<u>Objective of this Course</u>: This two credit course will provide information and hands on skills so that a student can plan, schedule, prepare for, and execute a trip using saddle horses, trucks and trailers. Information and efforts will be spent aimed at personal trips and also for those who wish to pursue a career in the packing and outfitting concessionaire career.

**Date & Time:** Every Tuesday and Thursday 6:00 to 8:40 until mid-October when class ends.

**Trail Ride-Field Trip: Mandatory;** This will be a four day field trip. We will take food; personal items, tack, horses/mules and the students will participate in the planning and efforts for this trip. The prospective date is September 29 to October 1st, 2107. Students are encouraged to bring their own saddle, and tack if they have such, but not required. Location Northern Colorado, Larimer River Valley

Class Requirements: This is a "hands on class". A significant portion of a grade is determined by attendance and class participation. <u>Unexcused absences will have an effect on a student's grade.</u> An excused absence must be documented by a medical provider or similar.

**Dress:** Appropriate shoes, long hair tied back, warm coats, barn boots/shoes & gloves are necessary for this class. Sleeping bag, warm and wet weather proof coats and clothing are necessary for pack trip.

Class Conduct: Appropriate for working with and around horses and mules. Turn off cell phones when you enter the classroom.

**Grading:** Grading is considered semi-traditional and the majority of all grades will be determined by class participation. Final, date to be announced, will probably be the Tuesday of finals week at our regular class time. The final will be a written and practical demonstration of the skills learned in class.

**Text and Support Materials:** Students should take copious notes from lecture for class final.

**Final Paper:** To get the highest grade possible you must plan and provide in written form a term paper with the following requirements;

- Research and plan a trip for 6 people for 5 days in the back country.
- This will be using pack and saddle horses or mules.
- You must provide in detail with exact weights all the following items;

- 1. Personal items of the riders
- 2. Camping and tool equipment
- 3. Food and total menu
- 4. Cooking equipment
- 5. Tack and all horse care equipment
- 6. Feed and horse feed

You must provide complete lists, weights, and all things considered. One of the goals is to make sure you as the organizer, planner, and provider for all the things concerned is complete and 'you are not embarrassed' in this endeavor.

- You will provide a cover letter addressed to your friends/customers
- Itinerary of the trip
- Maps including directions to starting point for customers
- List of contents of paper
- Conclusion and description of the trip, amount of packs needed and other pertinent information.

Please note that this paper should be one that you would actually present to someone who you do not know and is interested in your services, very professional.