Agricultural Issues In Society Winter 2007

Student Discussion Information Feb 9-19, 2007

Each group of 6 students will select one of the general topics listed below:

Global Warming

Water Use Efficiency in Agriculture

Urban Agriculture

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Agriculture and World Hunger Issues

The Adv and Disadv of Using Synthetic Fertilizers

Livestock-Wildlife Interactions/ESA

The Influence of Corporate Agriculture

Organic Agriculture: Pros and Cons

Intellectual Property Rights in Agriculture

Agricultural Trade

Topics will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Your presentation will be evaluated on the quality of content and presentation skills.

These concise informative presentations cover broad topics and should be presented in a lecture style format with the following guidelines:

- Each group will be given a maximum of 55 minutes for their presentation and questions
- Include 5 critical principles related to the topic and allow for 15 minutes of questions and discussions from the audience.
- The group summary should include material from at least 3 sources, one of which will be a primary source. Be sure to include information discussed in Peter Cheeke's "Contemporary Issues in Animal Agriculture" text. Use the references at the end of the chapter to enrich the topic.
- Submit originals for handouts to faculty prior to class for duplication.
- Presentation time must be divided equally among the group members
- Short, relevant video clips may be used.
- Students will be individually graded on organization, presentation skills, use of audio visuals and general knowledge of material.

Group Presentation Information April 2 - April 20, 2007

Each group of <u>2 students</u> will select and present information on a narrow topic related to any agricultural issue. Groups will be given 25 minutes (which includes a question and answer period at the end).

An outline of your topic and a list of references are due by March 16th. (**Early topic selection is encouraged**) There will be no class on March 21-29. Tentatively. This is subject to change Presentations will begin on April 2nd.

Once your topic has been approved, you may sign up for a date. If you wait until the last minute, you will probably have to go first!!!!

Additional presentation guidelines and an evaluation sheet will be distributed.