

Department of Forestry College of Agriculture Engineering Sciences Salahaddin University

Range management Course

Second Semester-2022/2023

Lecturer: Dr. Ako Hussein Mahmood- Theoretical Part

Miss: Payman Hussein – Practical Part

2nd year – Forestry Department

Course Book

1. Course name	Range Managenent - Spring Semester	
2. Lecturer in charge	Dr. Ako Hussein Mahmood	
3. Department/ College	Forestry / College of Agriculture Engineering Sciences	
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5. Time (in hours) per week	Theory: 2	
	Practical: 3	
6. Office hours	Full time	
7. Course code		
8. Teacher's academic profile	I have finished my B.Sc. at Salahaddin University- Erbil –	
	Agriculture college- Plant Production Department 2001; I	
	completed M.Sc. at Salahaddin University- Erbil – Agriculture	
	college- Plant Production Department 2007. I achieved PhD	
	degree at Federation University in Australia in 2016. Currently I	
	am working as the academic staff of Forestry Department -	
9. Keywords	Pasture, Range management, Environment, Forestry, Ecology,	
	Ecosystem	

10. Course overview:

- 1- In this course students will learn various aspects about Rangelands in the World and in Kurdistan Region, how plants are growing and develop.
- 2-knowing the advantages and disadvantages of different types of grazing systems.
- 3- Also students in the subject should learn how to separate between good and poor pasture management.
- 4- And also student will get benefit from this topic to know the current situation of grasslands in Kurdistan region, with its problems and recommendations.

11. Course objective:

the objectives of range management may be summarized as follows:

- 1) To keep the range covered with desirable, strong forage plants.
- 2) To insure stability of range watersheds by controlling soil erosion, and increasing their water infiltration capacity.
- 3) To obtain maximum livestock production.
- 4) To provide a suitable habitat for the development of wildlife.
- 5) To achieve proper combination of grazing and forestry, in forested ranges.

12. Student's obligation

The student must attend the classes and prepare for the exams, assignment reports, and quizzes.

13. Forms of teaching

Laptop will be used to explain the lecturers, using the power point.

14. Assessment

Distribution of marks for this subject during the course are as follows: -

- 1. 100 degree distributed as follows:
- 40 degrees for the first exam.
- 40 degrees for the second exam.
- 10 degrees on Quiz.
- 5 10 degrees onto the reports and oral presentation.
- 2. Exam at the end of course will be on 50%. And The final estimate =100%.

15. Student learning outcome:

- 1. Students will be exposed to pasture management and its benefits and their relationship with the forest.
- 2. Students will also discover new technology about how to improve natural pastures in Kurdistan.

16. Course Reading List and References:

- 1- A Field Handbook for Range and Forest Management: by Niels and Martin, 1993
- 2- Temperate perennial pasture establishment guide Steps to ensure success: State of New South Wales through NSW Department of Industry, Skills and Regional Development 2016.

17. The Topics: Theoretical part	Lecturer's time	
1 Course outline and introduction	(2 hrs) per week	
2 How Plants Grow and develop?		
3 - What is pasture (Rangeland)? What is Range	Dr. Ako Hussein	
Management?		
4 Natural Rangelands of the World		
5 Pastures in Iraq and Kurdistan Region		
6 Signs of good and poor pasture management		
7 Basic Principles of Pasture management		
8 Basic Principles of Pasture management (continued)		
9 Current situation of Grasslands in Kurdistan Region, with its		
Problems and Recommendations		
10 Pasture establishment: Site selection and seedbed preparation		
11 Pasture establishment: Seeding and vegetative planting into		
prepared seedbeds		
12 Grazing management practices:		
Principles of hay production		
13 Principles of silage production		
14 Principle of weed control in pasture lands		
15 Principle of weed control in pasture lands (continued)		
18. Practical Topics (If there is any)	Miss Payman Hussein	
Definitions of Range & Range Management.	+Dr. Ako H. Mahmood	
Field trip	(3 hrs)	
Morphology of Range plants 1- Legume family		
Morphology of Range plants 2- grass family		
How to study the natural pasture		
Techniques of vegetation studies		
1) Quantitative estimate		

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2) Qualitative estimate

Sampling Techniques

Quadrat or Plot method:

Transect method

Point method

Determination of pasture capacity

Field trip

Grazing systems

Identify some important pasture plants

Identify some important pasture plants (continued)

None

19. Examinations:

The exams will be combination of true and false, explain briefly, define certain concepts, fill the blanks, and compare, and multiple choice.

20. Extra notes:

The course needs labs in future.

21. Peer review

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