NFS 4286 Nutrition and Food Sciences Senior Seminar

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Where to Meet: Once a week on Thursdays from 1:15-2:05 pm Marsh 357

Course Description

Food industry is always looking for scientists for food quality control, operation management, processing, research and development, marketing, and distribution. Food science is an applied science. Students majoring in this field should have hands-on, real industrial settings to learn problem solving knowledge in food science, including general knowledge of the industry, market trend, new products development and food quality control.

Syllabus

Students will be presented with preparations before heading to work in food industry including personal readiness, related seminar training and presentation practice, product development aspects, and experiment data reporting.

Week 1: January 18	Introduction and discussion
Week 2: January 25	How to prepare a reasonable and practical resume
Week 3: February 1	How to prepare a cover letter for job application
Week 4: February 8 Week 5: February 15	What is trending in functional food industry Guest Lecture: Dr. Frank Lee, Agri-Mark, VT
Week 6: February 22	Dietary choices and Covid-19 prevention
Week 7: February 29	Guest Lecturer Alysa Kemp Director of Autumn Harp
Week 8: March 7	Guest Lecturer Mr. Roger Allbee, the Former VT Secretary
Week 9: March 14	Spring Break
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Week 10: March 21 Self-design Presentation-Preparation

Week 11: March 28 Guest Lecturer Dr. Adam Killpartrick, Former Chief

Scientist Officer of Food Science Coop.

Week 12: April 4 What is trending in functional food industry
Week 13: April 11 New product development-General rules

Week 14: April 18 Self-design presentation-TBA Week 15: April 25 Self-design presentation-TBA

Week 16: May 2 Final

Week 17: May 9

Grading:

20% Attendance

30% Midterm exam

50% Presentation: Material content, scientific quality, and structure, interactions with audience

Total 100