## **AGBE 315: Agriculture in a Global Context**

## "Investigating the Global Dimensions of the Livestock Industry"

## **Spring 2014**

**Instructor:** Dr. Gary Brester

**Time:** To Be Determined

**Location:** To Be Determined

**Credits:** 3 credits

**Description:** 

The seminar-based class will meet once per week during the 2014 Spring Semester. Topics to be discussed include those related to the livestock industry, global livestock product markets, research methodologies, and cooperatives business organization. All students will be required to travel with the class to New Zealand in May immediately following the end of Spring Semester. Students will be required to adhere to a reasonable code-of-conduct during the travel experience. Grading will be based on oral and written presentations as well as class attendance.

International travel costs (airfare, bus transportation, meals, and hotels) will likely total \$3,000/student. Several scholarship avenues are being pursued to help offset travel costs. A passport must be acquired on or before February 14, 2014.

**Credit Usage:** The 3 credits earned in this course can be applied to:

- 1. MSU's junior-and-above credit requirements.
- 2. Requirements for a minor in Agricultural Business.
- 3. Requirements for a major in Economics.
- 4. Requirements for a minor in Economics.

## **Applications:**

This is a restricted enrollment class, and the number of available slots is limited. Consequently, students must apply to be considered for the course by emailing a one-page Word document to Jane Boyd (aboyd@montana.edu) by October 31, 2013. We have extended this deadline relative to the earlier announcement to accommodate Spring 2014 advising.

The one-page document must include:

- 1. Your name and contact information (phone, email, mailing address).
- 2. Number of earned credits to-date.
- 3. Current accumulated grade point average.
- 4. Declared academic major.
- 5. One paragraph that explains the reasons why you want to participate in this class.