SYLLABUS: FDSCTE 5710 FOOD ADITIVES
SPRING 2020 (3 CREDITS)

Course overview

Instructor
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Course Organization
Meeting Times and credits: WeFr 11:30AM - 12:25PM, 2 credits (Rm Parker 118)
Prerequisites/co-requisites/exclusions: 10 cr in the major or permission of instructor, or Grad standing.

Course description
The course will present the principles and discuss utilization of food additives. While the focus of the class is dominated by U.S. regulations and practice, differences in additive usage in other countries will be discussed and emphasized when these differences are significant barriers to international trade. In addition to the technical and legal aspects of food additive usage, there are a host of ethical questions that arise. Students will be challenged to think, discuss these issues and to begin to develop a personal professional code of ethics in order to help prepare themselves for the dilemmas that they will face in the "real world". Students will be expected to utilize resources available to them to supplement the classroom activities. Much of the questioning will involve the use of food product labels and students will be expected to be familiar with common food products.

Course materials

No Required Textbook
• None

Recommended reference materials

Journals:
There are no journals that specifically deal with ingredients, but many "trade" publications have extensive ingredient advertising and business reply cards for obtaining information on ingredients. Review articles can be found in *Critical Reviews in Food Science and Nutrition* and number of trade publications are also online:

Food Processing ([https://www.foodprocessing.com](https://www.foodprocessing.com))
Food Navigator ([https://www.foodnavigator.com](https://www.foodnavigator.com))

A Few Key Web Links
CFSAN [http://www.fda.gov/Food/default.htm](http://www.fda.gov/Food/default.htm)
FR [https://www.federalregister.gov](https://www.federalregister.gov)
IFT [https://www.ift.org](https://www.ift.org)
JECFA [https://www.who.int/foodsafety/areas_work/chemical-risks/jecfa/en/](https://www.who.int/foodsafety/areas_work/chemical-risks/jecfa/en/)

Internet resources
• Carmen - [https://carmen.osu.edu/](https://carmen.osu.edu/) *(Check daily; all materials will be uploaded here)*

Supplemental materials
• Additional readings are drawn from a variety of sources and will be posted on the Carmen course site.

Course technology
For help with your password, university email, Carmen, or any other technology issues, questions, or requests, contact the OSU IT Service Desk. Standard support hours are available at [https://ocio.osu.edu/help/hours](https://ocio.osu.edu/help/hours), and support for urgent issues is available 24/7.

• Self-Service and Chat support: [http://ocio.osu.edu/selfservice](http://ocio.osu.edu/selfservice)
• Phone: 614-688-HELP (4357)
• Email: 8help@osu.edu
• TDD: 614-688-8743
Required software

- **Microsoft Office 365**: All Ohio State students are now eligible for free Microsoft Office 365 ProPlus through Microsoft’s Student Advantage program. Full instructions for downloading and installation can be found at [go.osu.edu/office365help](http://go.osu.edu/office365help).

Carmen access

You will need to use **BuckeyePass** multi-factor authentication to access your courses in Carmen. To ensure that you are able to connect to Carmen at all times, it is recommended that you take the following steps:

- Register multiple devices in case something happens to your primary device. Visit the [BuckeyePass - Adding a Device](http://BuckeyePass-Adding-a-Device) help article for step-by-step instructions.
- Request passcodes to keep as a backup authentication option. When you see the Duo login screen on your computer, click “Enter a Passcode” and then click the “Text me new codes” button that appears. This will text you ten passcodes good for 365 days that can each be used once.
- Download the [Duo Mobile application](http://Duo-Mobile-application) to all of your registered devices for the ability to generate one-time codes in the event that you lose cell, data, or Wi-Fi service.

If none of these options will meet the needs of your situation, you can contact the IT Service Desk at 614-688-4357 (HELP) and the IT support staff will work out a solution with you.

**Course objectives and learning goals**

*Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:*

**Objective 1**: Assign functions to most, if not all, of the ingredients at the ingredient label of a food product

**Objective 2**: Discuss alternative ingredient choices for food products based on consumer driving demands.

**Objective 3**: Determine the regulatory status of food ingredients and discuss the methods used for evaluating the safety of food additives.

**Objective 4**: Discuss the likely changes in ingredients if a product were processed in a different manner.

**Objective 5**: Discuss the contributions and the limitations of food additives in our food supply.

By integrating class lectures, discussion activities, readings, assignments and class activities, students will achieve the full learning experience.

**Evaluation Criteria**

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Total | **100%**

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### Course schedule (tentative)

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**COURSE POLICIES**

**Attendance**

Attendance is encouraged and will be tracked electronically in Canvas through roll calls at the beginning of each class period throughout the semester.

Everyone’s expected to participate if you wish to succeed in the course. Participation will be assessed by coming to class prepared, participating in class discussions either by asking or answering questions, bringing labels/products to class, completing class assignments and participation on the group label presentation.

Make sure you are logging into the course in Carmen. If you have a situation that might cause you to miss an entire week of class, discuss it with me as soon as possible.

**Make-up Work**

If you miss an examination for a documented medical attention for an illness, a death in the family, participation in a documented University sanctioned event, or any other valid excuse, you need to coordinate with the instructor. Excuses for missing an exam must be presented to the instructors prior to the exam when at all possible. Students who will be participating in University sanctioned events must provide the instructor with a copy of the scheduled events and the classes that will be missed. This documentation must be signed by the coach/supervisor and given to the instructor two weeks prior to the event.
Communication

Faculty feedback and response time
I am providing the following list to give you an idea of my intended availability throughout the course. (Remember that you can call 614-688-HELP at any time if you have a technical problem.)

- **Grading and feedback:** You can generally expect exam feedback within **14 days**.
- **Email:** I will reply to emails within **24 hours on days when class is in session at the university**. This is the best way to reach me.

Discussion and Communication Guidelines
The following are my expectations for how we should communicate as a class. Above all, please remember to be respectful and thoughtful.

- **Writing style:** You should write using good grammar, spelling, and punctuation.
- **Tone and civility:** Let's maintain a supportive learning community where everyone feels safe and where people can disagree amicably.

Late Assignments
To receive full credit, work must be turned-in on time and in condition to be evaluated. Late assignments will incur a deduction of 10% of the total point value for each 24-hour period that they are late (including weekends). Late assignments can be turned in for up to 7 days (including weekends) after they are due with the penalty described above. After that students will receive a 0 for the assignment. Excuses for missed or late assignments – even valid ones – will not be accepted more than 7 days after the assignment due date.

University Policies

Academic Integrity/ Misconduct
Academic integrity is essential to maintaining an environment that fosters excellence in teaching, research, and other educational and scholarly activities. Thus, The Ohio State University and the Committee on Academic Misconduct (COAM) expect that all students have read and understand the University's Code of Student Conduct, and that all students will complete all academic and scholarly assignments with fairness and honesty. Students must recognize that failure to follow the rules and guidelines established in the University’s Code of Student Conduct and this syllabus may constitute Academic Misconduct.

The Ohio State University's Code of Student Conduct (Section 3335-23-04) defines academic misconduct as: Any activity that tends to compromise the academic integrity of the University, or subvert the educational process. Examples of academic misconduct
include (but are not limited to) plagiarism, collusion (unauthorized collaboration),
copying the work of another student, and possession of unauthorized materials during
an examination. Ignorance of the University's Code of Student Conduct is never
considered an excuse for academic misconduct, so I recommend that you review the
Code of Student Conduct and, specifically, the sections dealing with academic
misconduct.

If I suspect that a student has committed academic misconduct in this course, I am
 obrigated by University Rules to report my suspicions to the Committee on Academic
Misconduct. If COAM determines that you have violated the University's Code of
Student Conduct (i.e., committed academic misconduct), the sanctions for the
misconduct could include a failing grade in this course and suspension or dismissal from
the University.

If you have any questions about the above policy or what constitutes academic
misconduct in this course, please contact me.

**Copyright Disclaimer**

The materials used in connection with this course may be subject to copyright protection and
are only for the use of students officially enrolled in the course for the educational purposes
associated with the course. Copyright law must be considered before copying, retaining, or
disseminating materials outside of the course.

**Statement on Title IX**

All students and employees at Ohio State have the right to work and learn in an
environment free from harassment and discrimination based on sex or gender, and the
university can arrange interim measures, provide support resources, and explain
investigation options, including referral to confidential resources.

If you or someone you know has been harassed or discriminated against based on your
sex or gender, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, relationship violence,
stalking, or sexual exploitation, you may find information about your rights and options
at titleix.osu.edu or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator, Kellie Brennan,
at titleix@osu.edu." Title IX is part of the Office of Institutional Equity (OIE) at Ohio
State, which responds to all bias-motivated incidents of harassment and discrimination,
such as race, religion, national origin and disability. For more information on OIE, visit
equity.osu.edu or email equity@osu.edu.

**Your Mental Health**

As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning,
such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down,
difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or
stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's
ability to participate in daily activities. The Ohio State University offers services to assist you with addressing these and other concerns you may be experiencing. If you or someone you know are suffering from any of the aforementioned conditions, you can learn more about the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the Office of Student Life Counseling and Consultation Services (CCS) by visiting ccs.osu.edu or calling (614) 292-5766. CCS is located on the 4th Floor of the Younkin Success Center and 10th Floor of Lincoln Tower. You can reach an on-call counselor when CCS is closed at (614) 292-5766 and 24 hour emergency help is also available through the 24/7 National Prevention Hotline at 1-(800)-273-TALK or at suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Diversity
The Ohio State University affirms the importance and value of diversity in the student body. Our programs and curricula reflect our multicultural society and global economy and seek to provide opportunities for students to learn more about persons who are different from them. We are committed to maintaining a community that recognizes and values the inherent worth and dignity of every person; fosters sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect among each member of our community; and encourages each individual to strive to reach his or her own potential. Discrimination against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status, is prohibited.

Accessibility accommodations for students with disabilities
The University strives to make all learning experiences as accessible as possible. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on your disability (including mental health, chronic or temporary medical conditions), please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you register with Student Life Disability Services. After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion. SLDS contact information: slds@osu.edu; 614-292-3307; slds.osu.edu; 098 Baker Hall, 113 W. 12th Avenue.

Requesting accommodations
If you would like to request academic accommodations based on the impact of a disability qualified under the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, contact your
instructor privately as soon as possible to discuss your specific needs. Discussions are confidential.
In addition to contacting the instructor, please contact the Student Life Disability Services at 614-292-3307 or ods@osu.edu to register for services and/or to coordinate any accommodations you might need in your courses at The Ohio State University.
Go to http://ods.osu.edu for more information.