Econ 337 Agricultural Marketing
Spring 2014 Iowa State University

Class information
- Class meets Tuesday and Thursday 9:30-10:20am in Carver 202
- Lab meets Tuesday 2:10-4:00pm in Heady 68

Professors
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Guidelines and rules
- No cell phones or texting in class or lab
- Lab attendance is required and is very difficult to reschedule
- Class attendance is recommended

Course objectives
- Understand the use of futures, options, and other tools in marketing and risk management decisions
- Understand the use of cash sales and contracts and the role of basis, storage, and transportation in determining prices
- Know the various sources of agricultural data information and the roles these data play within the commodity markets
- Understand the forces that shape commodity markets and learn about market/price forecasting
- Design an integrated production and marketing plan for farms and agribusiness

Course reading and resource materials will be available on-line.

Grading
- Two exams 40%
- Three quizzes 15%
- Homework assignments 15%
- Marketing plan project and report 30%
Academic Dishonesty
The class will follow Iowa State University’s policy on academic dishonesty. Anyone suspected of academic dishonesty will be reported to the Dean of Students Office. The link below will take you to the university's policy.
http://www.dso.iastate.edu/ja/academic/misconduct.html

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