

Appendix E. Course Catalogs

Requests for courses will not be approved without complete information regarding vendor, cost, location, etc. Many courses are available in a self-paced, on-line format for minimal cost. Information on formal classroom training can also be obtained on-line and employees should be encouraged to utilize these courses if appropriate before requesting formal classroom training.

NEDC Course Catalog

A copy of the NEDC course catalog is not provided here because it changes frequently. Instead it is suggested that you always consult the NEDC website to obtain the most accurate and current information.

The NEDC Course Catalog can be accessed at:

<http://www.nedc.nrcs.usda.gov/catalog/index.html>

Information regarding both on-line and formal classroom training is available from this site, and you may view the catalog in various forms including alphabetical by course title, or by curricula grouping. The course schedule can also be accessed from this site, but typically has only two quarter of course dates.

AgLearn

The Agriculture Learning (AgLearn) Service provides educational services for USDA federal employees, contractors, partners and customers.

Any mandated courses are automatically listed in employees "learning plans." Also, Human Resources staff will email employees regarding any mandated aplearn courses.

To access NRCS courses click on www.aglearn.usda.gov, login using your USDA eAuthentication ID and password,

Other Course Catalogs

Other course catalogs from frequently used vendors that can be accessed from a website are listed below.

GS Graduate School (USDA)

www.grad.usda.gov

New Horizons

www.newhorizons.com

ESRI Virtual Campus

<http://campus.esri.com/>

To see a list of all available courses, and the process for NRCS application, go to:

<http://www.gis.sc.egov.usda.gov/training/virtual-campus/index.html>

Career Track

www.careertrack.com

The Learning Tree

www.learningtree.com

The National Seminars Group

www.natsem.com/onsitetraining.cfm

Auto Desk

http://usa.autodesk.com/adsk/servlet/index?siteID=123112&id=3344671&wac=IL_C-1B09R8708319