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Registration Open for UNH Cooperative Extension Agriculture and Natural Resource Business Institute
Fall course will help farmers and natural resource entrepreneurs plan for success

DURHAM, NH – UNH Cooperative Extension is accepting registrations for its Agriculture and Natural Resource Business Institute (ANRBI). Those interested in starting or expanding an agricultural or natural resource business are encouraged to attend the 13-week course, which starts September 11.

Weekly classes will take place Wednesdays from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Nature Conservancy in Concord through December 11. This institute provides individuals and families who want to start or expand an agricultural or natural resource business with the essential preparation they need to be successful. Collaborating with industry partners, Extension experts will help participants develop an operating plan for a farming or forestry-based business.

Topics addressed will include farming and forestry systems, soils, natural resource inventories, product and service marketing, enterprise profitability, as well as legal matters relevant to agriculture and natural resource businesses.

Participants will explore the human dynamics of running a family business, conflict and time management, and hiring outside labor. They will also learn how government agencies and financial institutions work with farm and forestry ventures. Upon completion, graduates will have established connections to a variety of advisors and technical experts.

ANRBI meets USDA Farm Service Agency borrower training requirements. In addition, participants can earn four continuing education credits through the UNH Professional Development and Training program.

Registration cost is \$175. To register go to <http://tinyurl.com/ANRBI2013>.

Persons requiring special accommodations should contact Mike Sciabarrasi at (603) 862-3234 at least 10 business days prior to the course start date so proper consideration may be given to the request. No one will be turned away due to financial constraints.

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