**Using Financial Instruments in Farm System Management**

**Course Outcome Summary**

**Course Information:**

**Organization:** Minnesota State  
**Developers:** FBM Curriculum Review Team  
**Course Number:** FBMT 2243  
**Type of Instruction:** Individualized  
**Total Credits:** 2.0  
**Total Hours of Instruction:** 8.0

**Description:**This course integrates the application of various financial instruments used in acquiring capital for use in the business and investigates the way in which both earnings and financial progress can be measured.

**Course Outcomes:**

1. Evaluate key aspects of the balance sheet
2. Evaluate key aspects of the cash flow
3. Explain the impact of the farm plan on the selected ratios
4. Identify the content of a portfolio
5. Identify financial instruments available for use
6. Compare advantages and disadvantages of financial instruments.

**Course Outline:**

1. Develop a management (financial and production) portfolio
2. Identify the content of a portfolio
3. Assemble financial and production documents
4. Compare financial instruments for acquiring capital
5. Identify financial instruments available for use
6. Compare advantages and disadvantages of financial instruments
7. Apply decision making criteria
8. Identify decision criteria
9. Assemble information essential to the decision
10. Assess the validity of the information
11. Choose a course of action