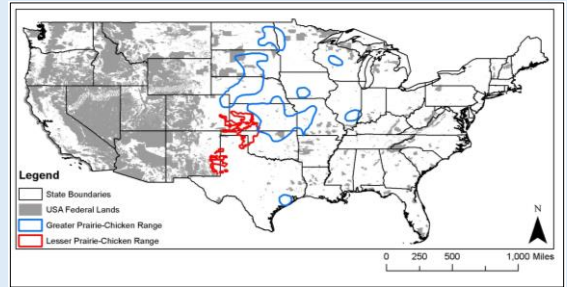


# Training Wildlife Biologists for Work on Private Lands

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## Private Lands are Important for Conservation



## Conservation on Private Lands is Challenging 1.

Economics



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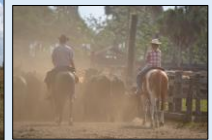
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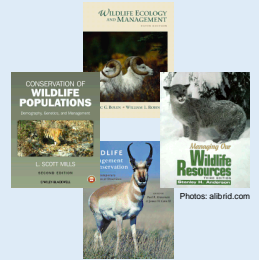
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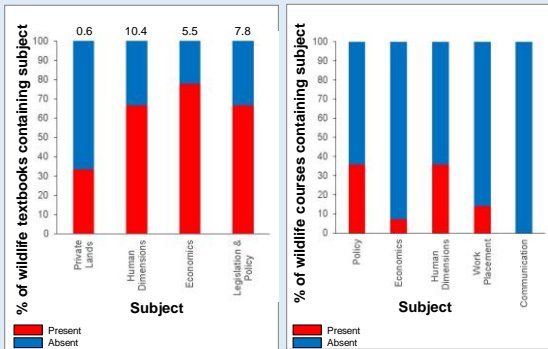
# Curricula Assessment

- University 'Wildlife Management' programs
  - Legislation & policy
  - Human dimensions
  - Economics
  - Work placement
  - Focused communication
- Core textbooks
  - Human dimensions
  - Economics
  - Legislation & policy
  - Focused private lands section

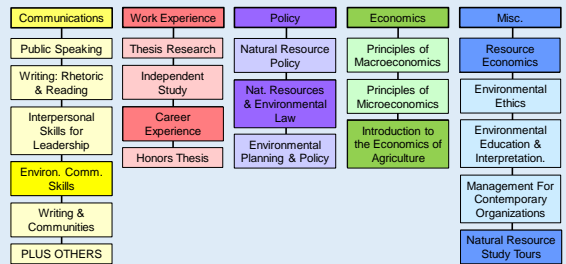


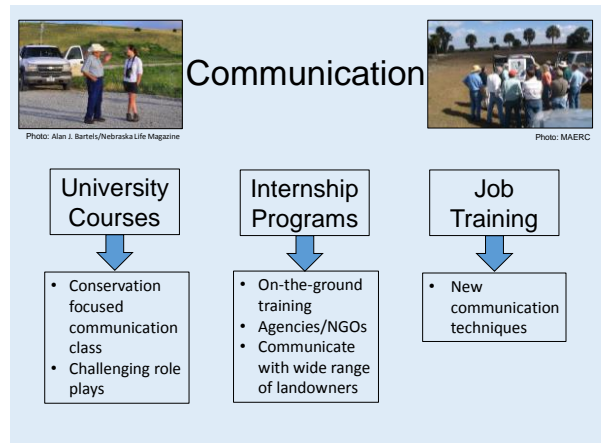
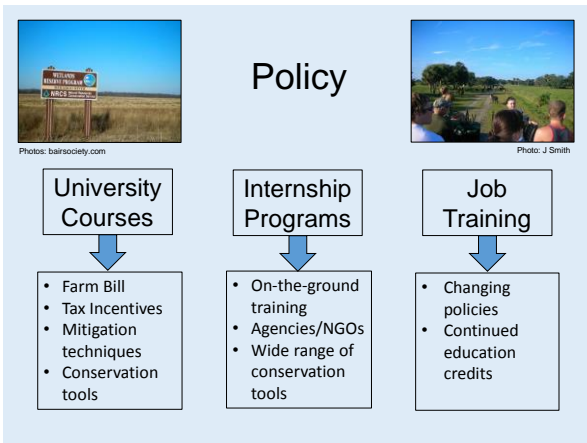
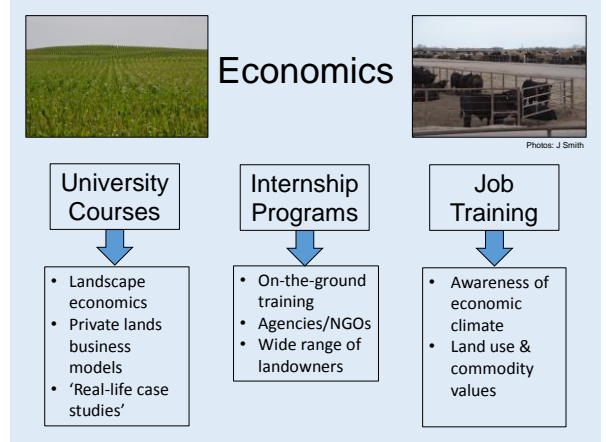
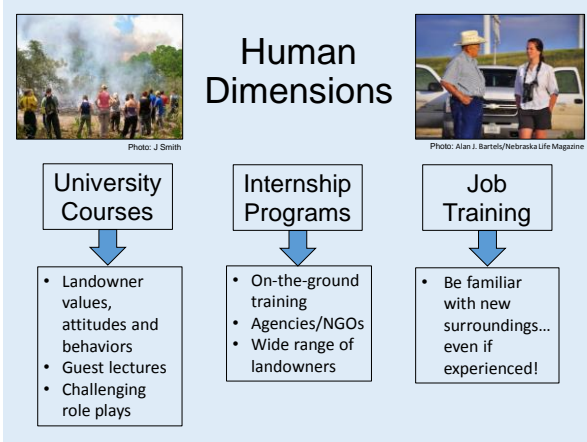
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# Results



# Example: University of NE-Lincoln





## Conclusions

- Private lands conservation is challenging
- Wildlife biologists are seldom prepared
- Our training programs need to be modified
- Textbooks with focused private lands sections
- Learning must continue throughout career

Private lands conservation is not easy,  
but it can be accomplished!

