

Animal Business Degree

Students who major in animal business begin an integrated curriculum that unites core courses from agricultural economics and animal science with business courses in accounting, economics and business law to provide a strong foundation for careers in agribusinesses.

Employment opportunities include jobs with farms, sales, processing firms, wholesalers and retailers of food and fiber products. The curriculum includes courses in agricultural marketing, agribusiness management, financial management for an agribusiness, farm and ranch management, agribusiness statistics and land and natural resources economics.

By choosing the right electives, animal business majors can minor in one or more areas. Minors include finance, management, marketing, accounting, economics, international business and general business.

Agricultural Economic Courses

In addition to preparing you for a challenging career in agribusiness, these courses will prepare students for graduate school:

- AGEC 1331 Introductory Agricultural Economics and Business
- AGEC 1351 Fundamental Economics/ Financial Analysis
- AGEC 3330 Agricultural Marketing
- AGEC 3331 Agribusiness Management
- AGEC 3332 Financial Management of an Agribusiness
- AGEC 4331 Farm and Ranch Management
- AGEC 4342 Agribusiness Statistics
- AGEC 4651 Land and Natural Resource Economics

Career Opportunities

- Agribusiness sales
- Pharmaceutical sales
- Extension agents
- Production management
- Procurement
- Credit analyst/loan officer
- Natural resource economics
- Supply chain management/logistics
- Equipment firms and grain elevators
- Real estate appraisal
- Insurance firms
- General business

Companies

- Caterpillar, Kubota, Case, IH in Ag. Equipment

- Bunge, ADM, Cargill, in grain/commodity procurement
- Tyson, Swift, Pilgrim's Pride, House of Raeford in meats sector
- Purina/ Pioneer in feed/seed
- Fertilizer companies, local co-ops, farm supply stores (Atwoods and Tractor Supply Co./TSC)
- Grocery stores (Kroger, Albertsons, IGA)
- Farm Credit system (an agriculture lender)
- Wells Fargo

Agricultural Economics Quiz Bowl Team

ASU and the Department of Agriculture sponsor an intercollegiate quiz bowl team that serves as a valuable educational tool for interested students. The Agricultural Economics quiz bowl team offers several opportunities that can enhance the collegiate experience and individual career potential. The benefits include industry contacts, university contacts and teamwork experience.

Many professionals view quiz bowl participants as students who work hard and enjoy challenges. Quiz bowl participants are more adequately prepared for graduate school or obtaining employment in agribusiness industries.