DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

The Department of Agricultural Economics offers Bachelor of Science degree programs in the fields of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness. The BS in Agricultural Economics allows students to direct their plan of study towards their professional interests by selecting a concentration in either Finance and Real Estate, Food Marketing Systems, Policy and Economic Analysis, or Rural Entrepreneurship (course requirements for the freshman and sophomore years are identical for all concentrations). The department also offers an accelerated five-year program in association with the Bush School of Government and Public Service that provides AGEC students with the opportunity to receive a BS in Agricultural Economics and a Masters of Public Service and Administration. The BS in Agribusiness is a selective program that provides students with a comprehensive and versatile business skill set designed to address the challenges of both agribusinesses and non-agricultural companies, incorporating coursework from the Mays Business School.

Department of Agricultural Economics Honors Program

The Department of Agricultural Economics at Texas A&M University offers an enhanced learning experience to qualified, academically-talented students majoring in Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness. Participation in the AGEC Honors Program enriches a student’s college experience by offering scholastically-challenging curriculum and stimulating an interest in research. As honors classes are restricted in size, students also have the opportunity to work closely with the renowned faculty at Texas A&M University while developing the vital problem solving and critical thinking skills that are valued in today’s fast-paced business culture. The coursework and co-curricular activities offered through this program are specially designed to promote academic and professional success. Honors distinctions are also beneficial to students who are planning to attend graduate school or law school by demonstrating one’s ability to handle a challenging course of study.

The Department of Agricultural Economics Honors Program is administered through the AGEC Undergraduate Programs Office (located in Room 214 of the Agriculture and Life Sciences Building). For more information, contact the AGEC Undergraduate Programs Office at (979) 845-4911 or visit our website at https://agecon.tamu.edu/undergraduate-honors-program/.

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- Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics, Food Marketing Systems Option (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/agricultural-economics/bs-food-marketing-systems-option/)
- Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics, Policy and Economic Analysis Option (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/agricultural-economics/bs-policy-economic-analysis-option/)
- Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics, Rural Entrepreneurship Option (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/agricultural-economics/bs-rural-entrepreneurship-option/)
- Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics and Master of Public Service and Administration, 5-Year Degree Program (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/agricultural-economics/bs-mpsa/)
- Bachelor of Science in Financial Planning (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/agriculture-life-sciences/agricultural-economics/financial-planning-bs/)
Minors

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Certificates

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