AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS - BS, FINANCE AND REAL ESTATE OPTION

The Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics offers students four options: Finance and Real Estate, Food Marketing Systems, Policy and Economic Analysis, and Rural Entrepreneurship. The course requirements for the freshman and sophomore years are the same for the above Agricultural Economics options.

In addition to the four options, the department offers a five-year program in conjunction with the Bush School of Government and Public Service which would allow a student to receive a Bachelor of Science (BS AGEC) in Agricultural Economics and a Master’s of Public Service and Administration degree.

The Agricultural Economics program is designed to assist in the development of skills in agriculture, applied economics, and economic logic that students can utilize to analyze and communicate about financial, real estate, sales, marketing, policy, and entrepreneurship issues in Texas, the nation, and the world. Graduates are trained for a wide variety of jobs in agricultural and non-agricultural businesses, firms, and agencies in both the public and private sectors. Flexibility is included in the curriculum so that a student, in consultation with an academic adviser, can develop a degree program that best fits personal career objectives and may include one or more of the following experiences: industry internship, the Agricultural and Natural Resources Policy Internship program, and research, directed studies, or study abroad opportunities.

Requirements for graduation are listed in the Texas A&M University Student Rules and this catalog. With the exception of general elective requirements, courses taken to satisfy degree requirements must be taken for letter grades.

Finance and Real Estate Option

The Finance and Real Estate option is designed to provide a well-founded basis in principles, concepts and methods for students interested in finance and/or real estate professional careers in the agricultural industry and/or related professions.

Program Requirements

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**Total Semester Credit Hours** **120**

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1. Students under ROTC contract, see Requirement 7 of the Requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree. ([http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/#requirements-for-baccalaureate-degree](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/#requirements-for-baccalaureate-degree))
2. Any course offered by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, except 285s, 484s, 485s and agricultural economics courses.
3. The Graduation requirements include a requirement for 3 hours of international and cultural diversity courses and 3 hours of cultural discourse courses. A course satisfying a Core category, a college/department requirement, or a free elective can be used to satisfy this requirement. See academic advisor.
4. All undergraduate students must take at least two (2) specific courses in their major designated as writing intensive (W). This course is an approved W course.
5. Six hours to be selected in one or more departments outside of the Department of Agricultural Economics. A minimum of 3 of these hours must be at the 300- or 400-level. To be selected in consultation with an advisor.
6. To be selected in consultation with an advisor.
7. Any Texas A&M or transfer course (except ASCC 001-ASCC 003 ([http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ascc/](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ascc/)); KINE 198 and KINE 199) not used to meet other requirements.