

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Animal/Equine Science - Food Animal Option

Murray State University offers a unique opportunity for those who are interested in the field of agriculture. The university offers a diversified program in the area of Animal/Equine Science, with the option to focus intensely on a student's particular avenue of interest. Students enrolled in the Animal/Equine Science program may choose to focus on food animals and/or equine.

Career Outlook

Training in various areas of Animal/Equine Science can prepare the student for employment in many fields and a variety of positions. In fact there are over 500 distinct occupations in animal agriculture. Some of the opportunities include science, teaching, agricultural services, allied industries, manufacturing and production.

Academic Program Highlights

Animal agriculture is specific, specialized, mechanized, computerized and industrialized. Students enrolled in animal sciences have an opportunity to study the many areas of subject matter associated with animal agriculture.

Students receive scientific training in animal breeding and genetics, nutrition, physiology, management, animal evaluation and selection, disease control and sanitation. In animal agriculture industry today, students must be well grounded in both the biological and physical sciences. It is recognized that many animal science students today do not have the practical experience necessary for many positions requiring a combination of technical and practical training. At MSU, practical experience in animal science is attained through laboratories and summer internships.

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Facilities

Hutson School of Agriculture facilities include classrooms, laboratories and offices housed in the south wing of the Oakley Applied Science Building, the A. Carman Animal Health Technology Center, the E.B. Howton Agricultural Engineering Building, the Equine Instructional Facility, greenhouses and four farm complexes located near campus.

The horse and beef facilities are a part of the farm-laboratory complex. The Wm. "Bill" Cherry Agricultural Exposition Center is utilized for equine and rodeo classes, contests, field days, judging contests, clinics and numerous agriculture activities.

Organizations

- Block & Bridle
- Horseman's Association
- Swine Club
- Rodeo Club
- Intercollegiate Equestrian Team
- Dressage Club
- Intercollegiate Rodeo Team
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine/Veterinary Technology Club

For More Information Contact

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Murray State University Hutson School of Agriculture Food Animal Science Curriculum 2023-2024

	University Studies - Foundations						
Cat.	Dept.	No.	Description	Hrs.			
Oral	Oral Communications .						
	COM	161	Intro. to Public Speaking				
Writ	Written Communications						
	ENG	105	Critical Reading, Writing & Inquiry				
Scien	Scientific Inquiry and Methodologies (must include lab)						
	CHE	105	Introductory Chemistry OR				
	CHE	201	General College Chemistry				
Quar	ntitative l	Reason	ing	5-7			
	MAT	140	College Algebra &				
	MAT	145	Trigonometry OR				
	MAT	150	Algebra & Trigonometry				
	•	Unive	rsity Studies - The Human Experience	•			
Literary & Philosophical Perspectives							
Histo	orical Per	spectiv	res	3			
Crea	Creative Perspectives						
Socia	Social & Behavioral Perspectives						
	AGR	199	Contemp. Issues in Food, Fiber & NR				
Culture, Diverse Perspectives & Responsible Citizenship							
BS Science/Mathematics Requirement							
	BIO	101	Biological Concepts AND				
	BIO		Intro to Biology Lab				

Required Support Courses

	AGR	130	Agricultural Economics	3
	AGR	240	Crop Science	3
	AGR	333	Agribusiness Records & Analysis	3
	AGR	345	Soil Science	2
	AGR	528	Agriculture Law	3
Complete at least 1 of the following:				
	AGR	436	Undergraduate Research in Agriculture	
	AGR	489	Cooperative Education/Internship	
	AGR	533	Seminar in International Ag Systems	
	AGR	590	Internship in Animal Technology	

Agriculture Core Courses						
Cat.	Dept.	No.	Description	Hrs.		
	AGR	100T	Transitions	1		
	AGR	100	Animal Science	3		
	AGR	300	Principles of Animal Nutrition	3		
	AGR	323	Livestock Form and Function	3		
	AGR	339	Computer Apps for Ag	3		
	AGR	375	Animal Emergency Preparedness	3		
	AGR	399	Professional Development Seminar I	1		
	AGR	504	Diseases of Livestock	3		
	AGR	599	Ag Senior Capstone	1		
	Complete at least 1 of the following:					
	AGR	403	Equine Reproduction			
	AGR	422	Livestock Reproduction			
	AGR	506	Reproductive Physiology			
		Fo	ood Animal Science Track Courses			
	AGR	311	Beef Science	3		
	AGR	314	Small Ruminant Science	3		
	AGR	321	Poultry Science	3		
	AGR	326	Swine Science	3		
	AGR	327	Meat Science	3		
Complete at least 2 of the following:						
	AGR	301	Livestock Judging & Evaluation			
	AGR	320	Livestock Behavioral Analysis			
	AGR	423	AI Techniques for Cattle			
	AGR	444	Prom & Entr of Livestock & Their Products			
Complete at least 1 of the following:						
	AGR	426	Experience in Swine Production			
	AGR	421	Advanced Nutrition			
	AGR	424	Animal Breeding			
	AGR	412	Beef Cattle Management Systems			
	AGR	549	Weeds and Their Control			
	Unrestricted Electives					

Minimum Credential Hours: 120