Agribusiness Management, A.A.

Degree Offered

• Associate of Arts

Nature of the Program

This curriculum includes five areas of concentration: general agricultural economics, agribusiness management, farm management, rural development, and resource economics. The general agricultural economics area or concentration provides a basic background for a variety of agriculturally-related careers.

Career Opportunities

Agribusiness and farm management areas provide specialized training for careers in agribusiness, credit, government and farming. Rural development and resource economics areas of concentration provide training for careers in community development, rural planning and management of natural resources. Employment opportunities exist with agribusiness firms, extensions, local, state, and national and international agencies.

FACULTY

CHAIR

• Dr. Heidi B. Samuels - Ed.D Educational Leadership
  Year @ PSC (2006)

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

• Robert Cheves - M.S. Agriculture Education
  Year @ PSC (2007)

Admissions

Entering freshmen are admitted directly into the major.

General Education Foundations

Please use this link to view a list of courses that meet each GEF requirement. (http://registrar.wvu.edu/gef/)

NOTE: Some major requirements will fulfill specific GEF requirements. Please see the curriculum requirements listed below for details on which GEFs you will need to select.

General Education Foundations

F1 - Composition & Rhetoric 3-6
  ENGL 101 Introduction to Composition and Rhetoric
  & ENGL 102 and Composition, Rhetoric, and Research
  or ENGL 103 Accelerated Academic Writing

F2A/F2B - Science & Technology 4-6
F3 - Math & Quantitative Reasoning 3-4
F4 - Society & Connections 3
F5 - Human Inquiry & the Past 3
F6 - The Arts & Creativity 3
F7 - Global Studies & Diversity 3
F8 - Focus (may be satisfied by completion of a minor, double major, or dual degree) 9

Total Hours 31-37

Please note that not all of the GEF courses are offered at all campuses. Students should consult with their advisor or academic department regarding the GEF course offerings available at their campus.

Curriculum Requirements

GEF Elective Requirements (5, 6 and 8) 12

AGRL 191 First-Year Seminar 1
Suggested Plan of Study

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Total credit hours: 60

Major Learning Outcomes

AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT

- Clearly articulate business problems, theories, and arguments related to agriculture or small businesses.
- Demonstrate an understanding of major ideas in marketing, accounting, finance, and management related to agriculture or small businesses.
- Read, analyze, and interpret business statements; utilize computer software in accounting, Excel and similar applications.
- Think carefully, logically, and creatively about problems related to resource management.
- Carefully analyze arguments pertaining to resource management and/or rural economic development.