AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

EMPHASIS AREAS: Leadership • Teacher Certification

Agricultural education combines interests in agriculture with working with people. Shape the next generation’s understanding of agriculture and its role in society or use communication and human relation skills to obtain leadership roles in many agricultural industries.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Acquire a solid foundation of communication and leadership skills and agricultural knowledge while earning your agricultural education degree from the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources. This degree will prepare you for a variety of careers, including:

- **TEACH AGRICULTURE.** Work for both public schools and adult education programs. Educate students about the many facets of agriculture – from crops and livestock to economics and marketing – and how that system provides the food we eat.

- **PUBLIC RELATIONS.** Put your interpersonal skills to the test working for a variety of private companies and non-profit organizations. Articulate messages about a company’s products or an organization’s cause to the public. Accomplish your company’s goals by utilizing media such as social media, web, radio, television and print publications.

- **YOUTH PROGRAMS.** Our agricultural education majors often assume roles for non-profit groups such as 4-H, as well as outreach and extension services. Develop educational programs and activities for youth nationally or regionally.

RELATED MINOR

A **minor in animal sciences** can supplement an agricultural education degree.

Learn about the scientific foundation of many animal-related industries, including livestock production, veterinary medicine and zoology. Coursework in this area includes animal physiology, nutrition, genetics and more.

Check out additional minor opportunities at cafnr.missouri.edu/degrees-and-programs.

ADVISING/MENTORING

As a student in CAFNR, you will be assigned a faculty member and/or a professional who will serve as your academic advisor. This one-on-one advisement and guidance will help you design the course of study best suited to meet your career objectives.

This personalized approach to student advising means our students are **more likely to stay in college and graduate.**
HANDS-ON LEARNING

As an agricultural education student, your chances to gain field experience through research and internships are almost limitless.

LEARNING LABS. In CAFNR, you can dive into real-world experiences through our student-operated full-service floral shop, café, ice cream parlor, meat market and at our research centers throughout the state.

These services showcase CAFNR’s signature research, education and outreach programs while providing top-quality products to the public and experience for our students.

INTERNSHIPS. Students emphasizing in both the teaching and leadership options benefit from internship and teaching experiences. Teaching option students complete a semester of student teaching along with related field work.

GETTING INVOLVED

Mizzou recognizes more than 800 student organizations. In CAFNR alone there are more than 50 clubs and organizations to choose from, and each gives you the opportunity to apply what you learn in the classroom while making lifelong friends.

CAREER PLANNING

CAFNR offers Career Services tailored to help you make connections and build your professional brand. You can meet employers, prepare your resume, practice interview skills and develop your professional communication skills. More than 200 employers recruit CAFNR students each year through on-campus career events.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources offers you one of the strongest scholarship programs at MU. About $1.3 million is awarded each year to undergraduates, ranging from $500 to $3,500 per year.

STUDYING ABROAD

See the world from a fresh, new perspective while adding an invaluable international dimension to your agricultural education degree. Through study abroad, explore some of the most pressing international issues affecting your career field.

Study abroad for a summer, a semester or winter break in your choice of more than 15 countries. Scholarships and loans are available for study abroad students.

PREVIOUS INTERNSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

- ADM, DuPont Pioneer, Syngenta, Monsanto, Agrigold, Beck’s Hybrids
- Missouri Farm Bureau, Missouri Pork Association, Missouri Beef Industry Council, Missouri Soybean Association
- Missouri Department of Agriculture, Missouri Wine & Grape Board
- Agriculture Future of America, Mid America CropLife Association, American Royal, National Association of Wheat Growers

Those who choose the leadership option have a variety of internship opportunities. Employers of all sizes actively seek agricultural education students interested in sales, training, public relations, and management.

GET IN TOUCH!

SCHEDULE A CAMPUS VISIT

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