Overview
Advance your career with a bachelor’s degree in Agricultural Business. Offered through the College of Agricultural Sciences, this program gives you the knowledge and training needed to manage the production and marketing of agricultural products.

This agribusiness degree focuses on applying economic theory to address the agricultural issues that businesses face daily and forecast the likely outcomes of market and government interactions in our uncertain world.

- Gain knowledge, skills, and tools that can be immediately applied to your agricultural business.
- Earn your degree while keeping your job, staying in your hometown, and managing your family responsibilities.
- Participate in one of the only online agriculture degree programs dedicated to agricultural business, guided by expert faculty who can help you design a program of study tailored to meet your needs.

The Learning Experience
Throughout this degree completion program, you will cover many topics important in agricultural business and gain an understanding of the marketing and economics of the industry.

This online program offers short presentations and lectures that often are followed up with relevant assignments and readings. You will participate in discussion board conversations with professors and fellow students. Also, you will have contact with professors and students through email and online office hours.

The program permits you to take the required courses in the order that best suits your needs. You have the flexibility to get the degree you want without a strict timeline or schedule of completing the courses. Although this degree offers flexibility, it still requires the same amount of work and time as an on-campus program. It is recommended to spend nine to twelve hours per week on a three-credit course. This will vary depending on your learning and studying style.

Delivery
Online

Credits
120 credits
Previous college credits must be transferred into the program.

Tuition
$444 per credit; financial aid is available

Time Frame
Varies based on intensity of study and previous coursework

Degree Awarded
Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business

Offered By
Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics

Learn More
online.colostate.edu/degrees/agricultural-business

Instead of just giving you answers to today’s economic issues and problems, we want to help you master the tools needed to solve the new questions and problems that you’ll encounter in the future. Questions that haven’t even been asked yet.

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Agriculture and Resource Economics
Curriculum

Agricultural – Economics and Economics Courses (40 credits)

- AREC 202 – Agricultural and Resource Economics
  OR
- ECON 202 – Principles of Microeconomics
- ECON 204 – Principles of Macroeconomics
- AREC 224 – Introduction to Agribusiness Entrepreneurship
- AREC 305 – Agricultural and Resource Enterprise Analysis
- AREC 310 – Agricultural Marketing
- AREC 428 – Agricultural Business Management
- ECON 306 – Intermediate Microeconomics
- AREC 408 – Agricultural Finance
- AREC 412 – Agricultural Commodities Marketing
- AREC 478 – Agricultural Policy
- ECON 335 – Introduction to Econometrics

AREC Directed Electives (select 9 credits)

- AREC 342 – Water Law, Policy, and Institutions
- AREC 375 – Agricultural Law
- AREC 415 – International Agricultural Trade
- AREC 452 – Real Estate Appraisal Principles

Business Requirements – 12 credits

- ACT 205 – Fundamentals of Accounting
- FIN 305 – Fundamentals of Finance
- MKT 305 – Fundamentals of Marketing
- MGT 305 – Fundamentals of Management

Additional Required Courses – 16 credits

- CS 110 – Personal Computing
- SPCM 200 – Public Speaking
- JTC 300 – Professional and Technical Communication
- MATH 141 – Calculus for Management Sciences or higher
- STAT 311 – Statistics for Behavioral Sciences I

Electives – 27 credits

In consultation with your academic advisor, choose 15 agricultural science and 12 general electives.

All University Core Curriculum (AUCC) – 25 additional credits

Students are strongly encouraged to select AUCC courses in consultation with their academic advisor

Minimum Admission Requirements

- Previous college credit must be transferred into the program, and minimum credits required can vary depending on previous coursework completed. Although this program works particularly well for students who have completed an associate’s degree with an emphasis in agriculture, it is not required for admittance into this program.

- 2.0 cumulative GPA (2.5 cumulative GPA preferred) from all coursework previously completed

- Satisfy admission requirement in mathematics

- High school graduation or equivalent

Completion Requirements

- 120 credit hours

- 42 upper-division credits (300 to 400-level), at least 30 must be earned at Colorado State University

- The number of courses needed for completion depends on the number of transfer credits awarded and fulfillment of the All University Core Curriculum and degree coursework requirements.