

# COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

The College of Agricultural Sciences (AgSci) connects people and the environment, helping communities and industries thrive by finding real-world solutions that are both economically and ecologically sustainable. With over 2600 students, 250 professorial faculty, \$500,000 in scholarships, and \$90 million in research grants and contracts, AgSci is integral to OSU's standing as a top-tier land-grant university and its international ranking for agriculture and forestry.

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Academics within the College of Agricultural Sciences prepare the next generation of scientists, managers, and leaders in the fields of food, agriculture, natural resources, and life sciences. With 14 academic programs, learning is integrated with research and Extension to provide students with inquiry-based, hands-on experiences in laboratories and field locations across Oregon and the world.

Undergraduate students may pursue the following bachelor of science degree programs through the College of Agricultural Sciences:

- Agricultural Business Management
- Agricultural Sciences
- Animal Sciences
- BioResource Research
- Botany
- Crop and Soil Science
- Environmental Economics and Policy

- Fisheries and Wildlife Sciences
- Food Science and Technology
- Horticulture
- Rangeland Sciences
- Sustainability-Double Degree

Graduate students may pursue the following degree programs:

- Agricultural Education (MS)
- Animal Science (MS, PhD)
- Applied Economics (MA, MS, PhD, MAIS)
- Applied Systematics in Botany (PSM)
- Biological and Ecological Engineering (MEng, MS, PhD)
- Botany and Plant Pathology (MA, MS, PhD)
- Crop Science (MS, PhD)
- Entomology (MA, MS, PhD)
- Fisheries and Wildlife Administration (PSM)
- Fisheries Management (Certificate)
- Fisheries Science (MS, PhD)
- Food Science and Technology (MS, PhD)
- Horticulture (MS, PhD)
- Interdisciplinary Studies (MAIS)
- Public Policy (MPP)
- Rangeland Ecology and Management (MS, PhD)
- Soil Science (MS, PhD)
- Toxicology (MS, PhD)
- Water Resources Engineering (MS, PhD)
- Water Resources Policy and Management (MS)
- Water Resources Science (MS, PhD)
- Wildlife Management (Certificate)
- Wildlife Science (MS, PhD)

## Individualized Advising

Each student is considered an important individual. A student's study program is developed in personal consultation with an advisor in the department of their major interest. A student's advisor is the primary resource for advising, obtaining information about registration, and gaining signatures and support for petitions and forms. They are a student's link to campus support resources, and can help with other advising issues including professional development, leadership opportunities, experiential learning and career based topics or questions. Advisors know how to find help for almost any issue—they are a great place to start when students feel lost.

As early as possible, each student is encouraged to select a subject area and become associated with instructors and other students with similar interests. Initial or early advising is based upon the student's high school record and placement test scores. When high school preparation is found to be inadequate, the student is encouraged to enroll in courses providing the education, training, and experience necessary to help ensure success at the university level, even though such work may require the student to take one or more additional terms to complete a prescribed four-year curriculum. Students planning to transfer from a community college or another four-year institution are encouraged to contact an advisor to discuss their plan of study as far in advance of transferring as possible.

## Opportunities

### Internships

College of Agricultural Sciences departments offer academic credit for on-the-job learning experiences that connect to student learning objectives. Internships are available (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/opportunities/internships>) in all facets of agriculture and can be paid, unpaid, local, national or international. Details regarding specific departmental requirements are available from departmental advisors. Industries, agencies and students interested in general internship information should contact the Academic Programs Office (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/contact>).

### Scholarships

The College of Agricultural Sciences offers a variety of scholarships. Several are reserved for incoming high school or transfer students, and are included in the admissions process (<http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/apply-choose-application>). Additional information and application forms for college-level scholarships can be found here (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/scholarships>). For information about departmental scholarships, contact each department directly (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/main/operating-units>). For more information about university-level scholarships, contact the Scholarships Office (<http://scholarships.oregonstate.edu>).

### Global

The College of Agricultural Sciences has International Exchange Agreements (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/opportunities/global-opportunities>) with numerous institutions spanning thirteen countries. Students may choose to study abroad via the exchange program with Lincoln University in New Zealand; learn about various regions across the globe by participating in the Exploring World Agriculture class and companion Faculty-led Educational Tour; or encounter cultures and traditions through their peers in the International Agriculture Club.

### Research

The College of Agricultural Sciences provides multiple pathways for students to apply their knowledge through research (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/opportunities/undergraduate-research>). Whether you are just starting out, or ready to begin an independent research project (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/agsci-all-star-ananiya>), we have mentors and funding to help you gain research experience.

## Undergraduate Minor Programs

Minors (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/undergraduate-degrees/#minor>) are offered through most departments of the College of Agricultural Sciences. Students interested in pursuing a minor must first contact the key advisor (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/about/advisors>) in the area of interest. The minor must consist of a minimum of 27 designated credits of related course work, including at least 12 in upper-division courses.

## Graduate Programs

Take your education to the next level with one of our advanced degrees, or broaden your skill-set by completing a graduate certificate. The College of Agricultural Sciences offers a variety of graduate studies (<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/academic-programs/graduate-degrees>) both on-campus and online. Our graduate student body includes ARCS® Foundation Scholars, Fulbright Fellows and Fellows supported by NOAA and other organizations or federal agencies. Funding opportunities

are available through graduate teaching and research assistant positions. Graduate program requirements, deadlines, and application processes can be found on the Graduate School website (<https://gradschool.oregonstate.edu>).

## Graduation Requirements

To be eligible for a bachelor of science (BS) degree, a student must complete a minimum of 180 credits including:

1. University Baccalaureate Core requirements
2. Courses in agricultural sciences: 36 credits including 24 credits at the upper-division level.