BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS

Agribusiness is a program for students interested in management in agriculture. The program includes courses in farm and ranch management, marketing, natural resources, tax planning, budgeting, finance, business organization, and other courses related to business and management. The agribusiness curriculum prepares students for employment in finance, ranch management, business management, state and federal agencies, risk management, sales and marketing, and many other fields related to business and economics.

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### Degree Specific Requirements

- **ACOM 3360**: Communication Skills for Agriculturists
- **or ENGL 3330**: Intro to Technical Writing
- **ECON 2301**: Principles Of Macroeconomics
- **MATH 1324**: Mth for Mngl Decision Making
- **STAT 1369**: Elementary Statistics
- **or MATH 1369**: Elementary Statistics
- **or STAT 3379**: Statistical Methods in Practice

### Major Core

- **AGRI 1131**: Intro to Pro Leadership Skills
- **or UNIV 1301**: Intro To Collegiate Studies
- **AGRI 1309**: Computers in Agriculture
- **or CSTE 1330**: Introduction to Computers
- **or BUAD 1305**: Electronic Communications Tech
- **ANSC 1319**: Animal Science
- **& ANSC 1119**: Animal Science Laboratory
- **PLSC 1307**: Plant Science
- **& PLSC 1107**: Plant Science Laboratory
- **AGBU 2317**: Principles of Agri Economics
- **AGBU 2385**: Analysis of the Agr Sector
- **AGBU 2389**: Agribusiness Financial Analysis
- **or ACCT 2302**: Principles of Managerial Acc
- **AGBU 3361**: Agribusiness Org & Mgt
- **AGBU 3367**: Agricultural Finance
- **AGBU 3385**: Quant Mthds for Agribusiness
- **AGBU 4340**: Agribusiness Marketing
- **AGBU 4363**: Agricultural Sales & Consulting
- **AGBU 4374**: Agr Mkt Analysis & Prices
- **AGBU 4375**: Advanced Agribusiness Mgt
- **AGBU 4386**: Agriculture & Food Policy

### Advanced Agribusiness Electives

Select two courses from the following:

- **AGBU 4319**: Agribusiness Ventures
- **AGBU 4362**: Natural Resource Economics
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**Departmental Electives**

Advanced Electives from: AGBU, ACOM, AGET, AGED, ANSC, EQSC, PLSC or WMGT 3

**Minor (Required)**

Minor 9

Minor (Advanced) 9

**Total Hours** 120

1 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).

2 MATH 1324 satisfies the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area II (Mathematics) and the degree specific requirements.

**First Year**

**Fall**

Component Area IX (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements/academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix) 1

AGRI 1131 or UNIV 1301 1

ANSC 1319 & ANSC 1119 4

ENGL 1301¹ & HIST 1301² 3

MATH 1324³ 3

**Spring**

1 AGRI 1309, BUAD 1305, or CSTE 1330 3

ENGL 1302¹ 3

HIST 1302² 3

MATH 1326 3

**Second Year**

**Fall**

Component Area III (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements/academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii) 4

AGBU 2317 3

AGBU 2385 3

ECON 2301⁴ 3

POLS 2305⁵ 3

**Spring**

AGBU 2389 or ACCT 2302 3

POLS 2306 3

Minor Course 3

**Third Year**

**Fall**

Component Area IV (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements/academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiiv) 3

AGBU 3361 3

AGBU 3367 3

AGBU 3385 3

Minor Course 3

**Spring**

ACOM 3360 or ENGL 3330 3

AGBU 4340 3

AGBU Advanced Elective⁶ 3

Minor Course 3

**Fourth Year**

**Fall**

AGBU 4374 3

AGBU 4363 3
Advanced Electives From: AGBU, AGED, AGET, AGRI, ANSC, EQSC, PLSC or WGMT 3 AGBU Advanced Elective

Minor Advanced Course 6 Minor Advanced Courses

Total Hours: 120

1. Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area I (Communications).
2. Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).
3. Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area II (Mathematics).
4. Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).
5. Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).
6. AGBU Advance Electives: AGBU 4319, AGBU 4362, AGBU 4365, AGBU 4369, AGBU 4377, AGBU 4378, AGRI 4364

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's 60x30TX plan and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The BS in Agricultural Business is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Communicate professionally both orally and in writing.
- Use analytical skills to make data-driven decisions.
- Perform feasibility analyses and apply critical thinking to evaluate business opportunities.
- Execute market research and identify target markets.
- Analyze financial statements to evaluate the financial status of agribusinesses.
- Assess the impact of government policies on agribusinesses.