

Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Career Cluster

The Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources (AFNR) career cluster focuses on the essential elements of life, food, water, land, and air. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from farmer, rancher, and veterinarian to geologist, land conservationist, and florist.

Statewide Program of Study: Agriculture Business, Leadership, and Communications

The Agriculture Business, Leadership, and Communications program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with farming and agriculturally related businesses that supply farm inputs, such as machinery and seeds. This program of study includes exploration of farm product marketing, the purchase of farm products either for processing or resale, and the process of grading or classifying unprocessed food or other agricultural products.



Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1 Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources

Professional Communications

Professional Standards and Communication in Agribusiness

- Mathematical Applications in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Entrepreneurship I

Level 3 Agribusiness Management and Marketing

Agribusiness Management and Marketing + Agricultural Laboratory and Field Experience

Level 4

Level 2

- Agricultural Leadership, Research, and Communications
- Career and Technical Education Project-Based Capstone
- Practicum in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Practicum in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources + Extended Practicum in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Practicum in Entrepreneurship
- Practicum in Entrepreneurship + Extended Practicum in Entrepreneurship
- Career Preparation for Programs of Study
- Career Preparation for Programs of Study + Extended Career

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Work-Based **Learning Activities**

- Shadow at a farm or ranch that manages livestock and crops to learn about processing and sales
- Intern at an agrochemical manufacturer to learn about new technologies in agribusiness

Expanded Learning Opportunities

- Participate in an FFA career, leadership, and speaking contest like an agriscience fair
- Attend an agricultural industry seminar

Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Content Creation & Marketing Using Adobe Express
- **Entrepreneurship and Small Business**
- Meta Certified Digital Marketing Associate
- Microsoft Office Specialist: Microsoft Excel Expert (2019+ or 365 Apps)
- Online Marketing Certified Associate (OMCA)
- Production Agriculture Job Ready
- Tosa Microsoft Excel (Advanced or Expert)



Example Postsecondary Opportunities

Associate Degrees

- Accounting
 - Agribusiness



Bachelor's Degrees

- Agriculture Economics
- Agribusiness

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- **Applied Economics**

Additional Stackable IBCs/License

Accredited Farm Manager



Example Aligned Occupations

Loan Interviewers and Clerks

Median Wage: \$47,102 Annual Openings: 2,465 10-Year Growth: 10%

Loan Officers

Median Wage: \$65,851 Annual Openings: 2,508 10-Year Growth: 14%

Farmers, Ranchers, and **Other Agricultural Managers**

Median Wage: \$79,064 Annual Openings: 30,363 10-Year Growth: 4%

Data Source: TexasWages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024



For more information visit: https://tea.texas.gov/academics/college-career-and-militaryprep/career-and-technical-education/afnr-agriculture-



Successful completion of the Agriculture Business, Leadership, and Communications program of study will fulfill requirements of the Business and Industry endorsement.



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Course Information

Course	Prerequisites Corequisites	Career Clusters
Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources* 13000200 (1 credit)	Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: None Recommended Corequisites: None	
Professional Communications 13009900 (0.5 credit)	Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: None Recommended Corequisites: None	
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Professional Standards and Communication in Agribusiness 13000800 (1 credit)	Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Recommended Corequisites: None	
Mathematical Applications in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources 13001000 (1 credit)	Prerequisites: Algebra I Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: One credit from the courses in the Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources career cluster Recommended Corequisites: None	
Entrepreneurship I* 13011101 (1 credit)	Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: Principles of Business, Marketing and Finance Recommended Corequisites: None	

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Agribusiness Management and Marketing 13000900 (1 credit)	Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Recommended Corequisites: None	
Agribusiness Management and Marketing + Agricultural Laboratory and Field Experience 13000910 (2 credits)	Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Recommended Corequisites: None	

^{*} Indicates course is included in more than one program of study in this career cluster.





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Course	Prerequisites Corequisites	Career Clusters
Agricultural Leadership, Research, and Communications 13000950 (1 credit)	Prerequisites: One credit from courses in the Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources career cluster Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Recommended Corequisites: None	
Career and Technical Education Project-Based Capstone* First Time Taken: 12701101 (1 credit)	Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: None Recommended Corequisites: None	
Practicum in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources*	Prerequisites: A minimum of two credits with at least one course in a Level 2 or higher course from the Agriculture, Food,	

Practicum in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources + Extended Practicum in Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources*

First Time Taken:

13002500 (2 credits)

Second Time Taken:

13002510 (2 credits)

First Time Taken: 13002505 (3 credits) Second Time Taken: 13002515 (3 credits) **Prerequisites:** A minimum of two credits with at least one course in a Level 2 or higher course from the Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources career cluster

and Natural Resources career cluster

Recommended Prerequisites: None

Recommended Corequisites: None

Corequisites: None

Corequisites: None
Recommended Prerequisites: None
Recommended Corequisites: None



Practicum in Entrepreneurship*

First Time Taken: 13011111 (2 credits)

Practicum in Entrepreneurship + Extended Practicum in Entrepreneurship*

First Time Taken: 13011121 (3 credits)

Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None

Recommended Prerequisites:

Entrepreneurship I and II, or successful completion of at least two courses in a CTE program of study

Recommended Corequisites: None

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CTE program of study

Recommended Corequisites: None



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For additional information on the Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources career cluster, contact cte@tea.texas.gov or visit https://tea.texas.gov/cte



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Course	Prerequisites Corequisites	Career Clusters
Career Preparation for Programs of Study* First Time Taken: 12701121 (2 credits)	Prerequisites: At least one Level 2 or higher CTE course Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: None Recommended Corequisites: None	
Career Preparation for Programs of Study + Extended Career Preparation* First Time Taken: 12701141 (3 credits)	Prerequisites: At least one Level 2 or higher CTE course Corequisites: None Recommended Prerequisites: None Recommended Corequisites: None	

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