

# Agribusiness

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## Department Information

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- **Credential Offered:**  
B.S.
- **Plan Of Study Sample:**  
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## Degree Requirements

### Major: Agribusiness

**Degree Type:** Bachelor of Science (B.S.)

**Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate:** 120

### University Degree Requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of all requirements of the curriculum in which one is enrolled.
2. Earn a minimum total of 120 credits in approved coursework. Some academic programs exceed this minimum.
3. Satisfactory completion of the general education requirements as specified by the university.
4. A minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
5. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
6. Transfer Students: Must earn a minimum of 60 credits from a baccalaureate-degree granting or professional institution.
  - a. Of these 60, at least 36 must be NDSU resident credits as defined in #7.
  - b. Within the 36 resident credits, a minimum of 15 must be in courses numbered 300 or higher and 15 credits in the major field of study.
7. At least 36 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Resident credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2021-22/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section of this Bulletin.

### University General Education Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Communication (C)</b>		<b>12</b>
ENGL 110	College Composition I	
ENGL 120	College Composition II	
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
	Upper Division Writing <sup>†</sup>	
<b>Quantitative Reasoning (R) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Science and Technology (S) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts (A) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Social and Behavioral Sciences (B) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Wellness (W) <sup>†</sup></b>		<b>2</b>
<b>Cultural Diversity (D) <sup>**†</sup></b>		
<b>Global Perspectives (G) <sup>**†</sup></b>		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>39</b>

- \* May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.
- † General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review major requirements to determine if specific courses can also satisfy these general education categories.
- A list of university approved general education courses and administrative policies are available here (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2021-22/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext>).

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Core Courses for Agribusiness:</b>		
AGEC 242	Introduction to Agricultural Management	3
AGEC 244	Agricultural Marketing	3
AGEC 246	Introduction to Agricultural Finance	3
AGEC 339	Quantitative Methods & Decision Making	3
AGEC 344	Agricultural Price Analysis	3
AGEC 346	Applied Risk Analysis	3
AGEC 397	Fe/Coop Ed/Internship	1-3
AGEC 445	Agribusiness Industrial Strategy (capstone)	3
ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics (May satisfy general education category B)	3
ECON 202	Principles of Macroeconomics (May satisfy general education category B)	3
ECON 341	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
ECON 343	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
<b>Accounting:</b>		
ACCT 200	Elements of Accounting I	3
ACCT 201	Elements of Accounting II	3
<b>Agriculture Science &amp; Technology:</b>		
Complete nine (9) credits from two (2) areas in the College of AFSNR other than Agribusiness & Applied Economics. (Includes: ASM, ANSC, ABEN, CFS, ENT, MICR, NRM, PPTH, PLSC, RNG, SOIL & VETS.) EXCEPTION - All 9 credits may be in the same area if a student completes a minor from within the College of AFSNR.		
<b>Areas of Specialization: Select one of the Areas of Specialization listed below.</b>		
		<b>6</b>
<b>Additional Requirements for Agribusiness</b>		
AGRI 150	Agriculture Orientation	1
ECON 189	Skills for Academic Success	1
MIS 116	Business Software Applications (May satisfy general education category S)	3
<b>Communication Requirement: Select one of the following:</b>		
COMM 212	Interpersonal Communication	
COMM 216	Intercultural Communication (Gen Ed B/D)	
COMM 308	Business and Professional Speaking	
COMM 315	Small Group Communication	
COMM 383	Organizational Communication I	
<b>Math Requirement:</b>		
MATH 144	Mathematics for Business (or any higher math)	4
STAT 330	Introductory Statistics (May satisfy general education category R)	3
STAT 331	Regression Analysis	2 or 3
or ECON 410	Econometrics	
<b>Minor Requirement</b>		<b>19-24</b>
In addition to the requirements for the major in Agribusiness, students must complete a minor in Accounting (19 cr), Business Administration (24 cr), Entrepreneurship (16 cr), Logistics Management (19 cr), or Banking (18 cr).		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>91-99</b>

**Areas of Specialization: Select one**

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Finance - 6 Credits</b>		
AGEC 446	Agribusiness Finance	3
Select one of the following:		3
AGEC 347	Principles of Real Estate	
AGEC 356	Advanced Agricultural Lending	
AGEC 474	Cooperatives	
ECON 324	Money and Banking	
ECON 402	Economics of Entrepreneurship	
ECON 470	Public Economics	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Management - 6 Credits</b>		
MGMT 320	Foundations of Management	3
Select one of the following:		3
AGEC 474	Cooperatives	
AGEC 375	Applied Agricultural Law	
AGEC 378	Introduction to Transportation & Logistics	
AGEC 472	Advanced Logistical Analysis	
ECON 402	Economics of Entrepreneurship	
ECON 472	International Trade	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Marketing - 6 Credits</b>		
AGEC 444	Advanced Commodity Trading	3
Select one of the following:		3
AGEC 343	Introduction to Commodity Trading	
AGEC 350	Agrisales	
AGEC 474	Cooperatives	
AGEC 450 & AGECE 451	National AgriMarketing Association (NAMA) I and National AgriMarketing Association (NAMA) II	
ECON 402	Economics of Entrepreneurship	
ECON 472	International Trade	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

<sup>1</sup> AGRI189 is only required for first-time, first-year students--A first-time, first-year student is defined as a student who has not yet completed a college course as a college student. Students that are not first-time, first-year students that either transfer into the university or change their major are not required to take AGRI 189.

**Degree Requirements and Notes**

- Students must earn, at least, a 2.00 cumulative GPA that is based on the courses that satisfy major requirements.

**Minor Requirements****Minor: Agribusiness**

Required Credits: 18

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Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses</b>		
ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics	3

Select two of the following: 6

AGEC 242	Introduction to Agricultural Management
AGEC 244	Agricultural Marketing
AGEC 246	Introduction to Agricultural Finance

**Elective Courses: A minimum of 9 credits from the following:** **9**

ECON 341	Intermediate Microeconomics
AGEC	Any AGECE prefix courses numbered 242 or higher (excluding AGECE 397 and AGECE 496)

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**Total Credits** **18**

- A minimum of 8 credits must be taken at NDSU.
- Students must earn a minimum 2.00 GPA for the minor requirements.
- Minor requirements are to be met with didactic courses only.
- This minor is not available to Agricultural Economics majors.