

# Agribusiness

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## Department Information

- **Department Web Site:**  
www.ag.ndsu.edu/agecon (<http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/agecon/>)
- **Credential Offered:**  
B.S.
- **Sample Program Guide:**  
[catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/agribusiness/#planofstudytext](http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/agribusiness/#planofstudytext) (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/agribusiness/#planofstudytext>)

## 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 30 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Resident credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.
6. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
7. Students presenting transfer credit must meet the NDSU residence credits and the minimum upper level credit. Of the 30 credits earned in residence, a minimum of 15 semester credits must be in courses numbered 300 or above, and 15 semester credits must be in the student's curricula for their declared major.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2023-24/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> |

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May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.

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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/2023-24/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            |
| TL 116   | Business Software Applications  | 3            |
| <b>Communication Requirement: Select one of the following:</b>   |   |              |
|  |   | <b>3</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>16-24</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>88-99</b> |

### Areas of Specialization: Select one

| Code                         | Title                         | Credits |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| <b>Finance - 6 Credits</b>   |                               |         |
| AGEC 446                     | Agribusiness Finance          | 3       |
| Select one of the following: |                               |         |
| AGEC 347                     | Principles of Real Estate     | 3       |
| AGEC 356                     | Advanced Agricultural Lending |         |

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| AGEC 474 | Cooperatives                  |  |
| ECON 324 | Money and Banking             |  |
| ECON 402 | Economics of Entrepreneurship |  |
| ECON 470 | Public Economics              |  |

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**Total Credits** **6**

| Code | Title | Credits |
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**Management - 6 Credits**

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| MGMT 320 | Foundations of Management | 3 |
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Select one of the following: 3

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| 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                        |  |

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**Total Credits** **6**

| Code | Title | Credits |
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**Marketing - 6 Credits**

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| AGEC 444 | Advanced Commodity Trading | 3 |
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Select one of the following: 3

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|-------------------------|---|--|
| AGEC 343                | Introduction to Commodity Trading   |  |
| AGEC 350                | Agrisales   |  |
| AGEC 474                | Cooperatives  |  |
| AGEC 450<br>& AGECE 451 | National AgriMarketing Association (NAMA) I<br>and National AgriMarketing Association (NAMA) II |  |
| ECON 402                | Economics of Entrepreneurship   |  |
| ECON 472                | International Trade   |  |

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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.