

at a glance



Agricultural Sciences

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Agriculture Production Management

Department: Agricultural Sciences

Degree: Associate of Applied Science

Entry time: Fall, Spring

Length: 2 years (4 semesters, 1 summer)

- One of the **largest schools** in the nation for number of **Ag program graduates**.
- **800-acre working farm** providing both crop and livestock learning labs.
- Spring semester **study abroad** opportunity to learn about Brazilian agriculture.
- Practical experience both **hands-on** and **hands-in**. You literally go to class with your boots on!
- Student **success** comes first.
- 13 agriculture-related student organizations among the **80+ clubs** on campus.
- **Required internship** opportunities providing great industry contacts, which could lead to a full-time position after graduation.

Program Description

Prepare for a career in the food production chain of modern agriculture. Choose from three areas of emphasis – Beef, Crops or Swine – or create a custom program of study to best meet your career goals. Classes focus on the latest methods and technology through hands-on learning on the student-run college farm.

Career Opportunities

Agriculture sales
Production operations
Seed production
Agricultural business manager
Crop manager

Sample Classes

Animal Nutrition
Farm Records, Accounts, Analysis
Principles of Agronomy
Livestock Behavior and Welfare
Beef Industry and Feedlot Management
Fertilizer Management
Agricultural Finance
Beef Science Management
Swine Reproduction and Management

Internships

As an Agriculture Production Management student you will complete a summer internship allowing you to apply your lab and classroom skills in an actual work environment.

Certificate Options

Short-term training options are available by earning a certificate. Certificate options for Agriculture Production Management include:

Small Scale Food Production

1 year (2 terms)

Seek out more sustainable methods of food production and new ways of delivering traditional agricultural/horticultural services that have less impact on the environment. This certificate provides students with the information they'll need to be employed in this growing sector of agriculture. Students take classes in plant growth and development, soil science, pest management and business management. Students can tailor the certificate to meet their personal interests by selecting three elective classes. There is a required two-credit internship, which provides practical, real-world experiences that students may choose to leverage into the future to start their own small business.

Scholarships

Kirkwood will help you pay for college! Kirkwood awards more scholarships than any other community college in Iowa. For more information and to apply, visit www.kirkwood.edu/scholarships.