Livestock Management Concentration (Agriculture B.S. Degree)

The Livestock Management curriculum provides career training to prepare you for a rewarding and successful career in Agriculture. A wide array of jobs are available in government agencies, vo-ag instruction, private and commercial business, agriculture sales and finance. Our program stresses the latest technical information in the classroom with hands-on application through laboratories. hands-on-training is reinforced through practicums at the university farms and through cooperative education. We are small enough to care for you as an individual but large enough to provide ever career opportunity.

Career Opportunities

The practical instruction and hands-on application enables you to be an immediate asset to employers. You will join the ranks of successful EKU graduates in areas such as retail store operation, agriculture sales, farm management, agriculture finance and banking, vocational agriculture instruction, extension and 4-H agents, government agency employees, and pursuing advanced degrees. The United States Department of Agriculture predicts a shortfall of graduates in these areas. Potential job opportunities with a B.S. in Agriculture, Livestock Management Concentration range from Agribusiness Service Manager to Pharmaceutical Sales.

- Dairy Herdsman Management and planning of dairy enterprise
- Laboratory Technician Assisting in the designing and implementing of research experiments/commercial laboratory technician
- Extension/40H Agent Develop local agriculture and youth programs
- Pharmaceutical Sales Represent feed companies to local agriculture stores and farmers
- Feed Sales Representative Represent feed companies to local agriculture stores and farmers
- Genetics/AI Work with farmers and AI organizations in promotion of purebred dairy industry
- Dairy Equipment Sales Work with farmers in sales and maintenance of milking equipment
- Agribusiness Service Manager Manages retail business involving sales of agricultural supplies, has responsibilities for all
 aspects of the business management
- Agribusiness Service Sales Sells to retail customers, keeps records of inventory, purchases, sells and demonstrates
 merchandise to potential customers
- Bank and/or Loan Officer Consults with loan applicants concerning their needs and ability to meet financial repayment schedules, evaluates and makes decisions about agricultural loan applications
- **Farm Manager** Responsible for all decision-making related to the crop, animal, equipment, and labor needs of the farm, keeps records and evaluates farm financial progress

Philosophy

The Department of Agriculture blends scientific theory with practical application and hands-on experiences. Current concepts and theories are presented in the classroom and then applied in the laboratory with the faculty member as the laboratory supervisor using a hands-on approach. Practicum classes at the university enterprises and through cooperative education are further utilized to reinforce the practical application of scientific theory. Professors are experienced, enthusiastic, and passionate about providing students the skills necessary to succeed with the ever-changing technology and environment.

Department Facilities & Student Organizations

The Agriculture Program at EKU is supported by excellent classroom laboratories and facilities at the A.B. Carter Building, including a modern computer laboratory, ag mechanics shop, animal and plant science biotechnology laboratories equipped for research and cell cloning are also available. There are also garden displays, turf plots, and 5 greenhouses. Students will have the unique opportunity to work directly with and observe practical applications of agricultural technology at EKU's 1,100-acre Meadowbrook Farm located only eight miles from campus with an on-site classroom. The farm gives students an opportunity to experience all aspects of modern production in beef, dairy, sheep, swine, and crop enterprises. Students have the opportunity to develop their extracurricular leadership skills through the Agriculture/Collegiate Farm Bureau Club, Block & Bridle Club, Delta Tau Alpha Agriculture Honor Society, Horticulture Club, Pre-Vet Club, and Sigma Alpha Sorority.

For More Information

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Suggested Curriculum Guide for Livestock Management Concentration

Department of Agriculture College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (2024-25)

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Freshman (1st semester) 15 hrs §GSD 101 Foundations of Learning	2	Freshman (2nd semester) 16 hrs AGR 225 Evaluation and Selection of Livestock -OR-	
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AGR 125 Principles of Animal Science	3	AGR 330 Animal Products (spring only)	3
AGR 126 Animal Science Laboratory	1	BIO 111 Cell and Molecular Biology -OR-	
AGR 115 Operation of Agricultural Equipment	2	BIO 112 Ecology and Evolution	4
AGR 170 Appl of Unmanned Ariel Systems in Ag	3	INF 104 Computer Lit and Software Appl -OR-	_
Gen. Ed. 1A (ENG 101)	3	TEC 161 Computer Applications in Technology	3
		Gen. Ed. 1B (ENG 102)	3
		Gen. Ed. 2 (Math)	3
Sophomore (1st semester) 15 hrs		Sophomore (2nd semester) 16-17 hrs	
AGR 130/131 Plant Science with Lab -OR-		AGR 215 Principles of Soils	3
OHO 131/132 Principles of Horticulture with Lab	4	AGR 216 Principles of Soils Laboratory	1
AGR 321 Feeds and Feeding (fall only)	4	Animal Science Elective	3-4
CHE 101 Introduction to Chemistry	3	ECO 120 Economic Reasoning and Issues	3
CHE 101 Introduction to Chemistry Lab	1	Gen. Ed. 3A (Arts)	3
Gen. Ed. 1C (Oral Communications)	3	Gen. Ed. 3B (Humanities)	3
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Junior (1st semester) 15-16 hrs		Junior (2nd semester) 15-16 hrs	
AGR 304 Pest Management (fall only)	4	AGR 213 Principles of Ag Mechanics and Energy Systems	3
AGR 305 Professional Skills Seminar	1	AGR 310 Principles of Agribusiness Management	3
AGR 308 Agricultural Economics	3	Animal Production Elective	3-4
AGR 340 Conservation of Agricultural Resources	3	AGR/OHO Upper Division Elective	3
Animal Science Elective	3-4	Gen. Ed. 6 (Diversity)	3
AGR/OHO Experiential Learning	1	•	
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Senior (1st semester) 16-17 hrs		Senior (2nd semester) 14 hrs AGR 319 Renewable and Sustainable Energy Systems	
Animal Science Elective	3-4	(spring only)	3
Animal Production Elective	4	AGR 411 Senior Seminar	1
Advisor Approved Elective	2	AGR/OHO Capstone	3
AGR/OHO Experiential Learning	1	AGR/OHO Upper Division Elective	3
Gen. Ed. 5A (History)	3	AGR/OHO Upper Division Elective	3
Gen. Ed. 6 (Diversity)	3	AGR/OHO Experiential Learning	1
S Course must be taken in the semester indicated	3	AGR/OHO Experiential Learning	1
3 Course mast be taken in the semester material			
UNIVERSITY GRADUATION REQUIREMENT	ΓS	39) hours
General Education		36	5 hours
Foundations in Learning (GSD 101; waived for transfers with 30+ hrs)		30+ hrs)	hours
Upper division courses (42 hrs. distributed through the course)			
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MAJOR REQUIREMENTS			
Core Courses		49	hours
AGR 130 and 131(1) or OHO 131 and 132(1): AGR	115(2), AGR	170, AGR 213, AGR 215, AGR 216(1), AGR 304(4), AGR	
		Plus three hours from (AGR experiential learning): AGR/OHO)
		(AGR/OHO capstone): AGR/OHO 499, AGR 509, OHO 498;	
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nine hours selected from upper division AGR and/or			_
Livestock Management Concentration Requireme	ents	29-33	hours
AGR 125, AGR 126(1); AGR 225 or AGR 330; AG	R 321; Plus tv	wo course from (animal production elective): AGR 326(4), AGR	ЗR
		hree courses from (animal science elective): AGR 312(4), AC	
		377, AGR 421; Plus two hours of advisor approved electives i	
AGR and/or OHO courses.	(.),	approved cloth to a	
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Total Curriculum Requirements

122-126 hours

BIO 111(4) or BIO 112(4); CHE 101, CHE 101L(1); ECO 120; INF 104 or TEC 161.