

Undergraduate Courses in AGECE & RSOC, from the AU Bulletin

AGEC 3010 AGRIBUSINESS MARKETING (3). LEC. 3. Pr., ECON 2020 and AGECE 2100 or equivalent. Principles and problems of marketing farm and agribusiness products including marketing methods, channels, structures, and institutions.

AGEC 3050 FARM APPRAISAL (2). LEC. 2. Theory of land values; terminology, processes and procedures for alternative appraisal purposes; factors affecting value; and evaluation of appraisal methods.

AGEC 3080 FUTURES AND OPTIONS MARKETING (2). LEC. 2. Pr., ECON 2020 and AGECE 2100, or departmental approval. Functions, institutions, economic performance, and practices and procedures involved in utilizing futures and options markets to manage market price risks.

AGEC 3920 AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS INTERNSHIP (1-3). INT. SU. Pr., Departmental approval and sophomore standing. Practical experience with agricultural business firms and agencies including finance, farm supply, production, marketing and sales and government. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

AGEC 4000 PRINCIPLES OF AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT (3). LEC. 3. Pr., ECON 2020, AGECE 2100, junior standing. Economics and business principles applied to agriculture: business formation, composing and analyzing financial statements, financial analysis and decision-making functions of management, capital budgeting and investment decisions. (Credit will not be given to majors in AGECE, ECON, or business).

AGEC 4040 AGRICULTURAL FINANCE (3). LEC. 3. Pr., ECON 2020, AGECE 2100, and ACCT 2210 or ACCT 2910. Economic problems and policies in financing agriculture.

AGEC 4070 AGRICULTURAL LAW (3). LEC. 3. Recognition of legal problems associated with property ownership, contracts, torts, financing, estate planning and environmental controls and restrictions.

AGEC 4100 AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES (2). LEC. 2. Principles and problems of organizing and operating farmers' cooperative buying and selling associations.

AGEC 4120 ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCE ECONOMICS (3). LEC. 3. Economic principles related to common property, public goods, property rights, externalities and resource scarcity and allocation applied to current issues.

AGEC 4300 AGRICULTURAL POLICIES AND TRADE (3). LEC. 3. Pr., ECON 3020. Public policies affecting agriculture. Theory and significance of international trade, distribution of production and trade, issues and policies, and influence of exchange

rates.

AGEC 4930 DIRECTED STUDIES IN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS (1-2). IND. Pr., departmental approval, junior standing. Individualized work and study in consultation with a faculty member on a subject of mutual concern. May include directed readings, research, data analysis or a combination of these. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 4 credit hours.

AGEC 4950 UNDERGRADUATE SEMINAR (0). SEM. SU. Pr., junior standing. Current developments in agricultural economics; role of agricultural economists in agribusiness firms and the general economy. Interaction with agricultural and agribusiness leaders.

AGEC 4967 HONORS READINGS (1-3). IND. Pr., membership in the Honors College and junior standing. Topics in agricultural economics. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 3 credit hours.

AGEC 4997 HONORS THESIS (1-3). LEC. 3. Pr., membership in the Honors College and junior standing. Directed research and writing of honors thesis. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 3 credit hours.

AGEC 5010 FARM MANAGEMENT (3). LEC. 3. Pr., AGEC 2100 and ECON 2020, or equivalents. Principles of economics applied to agriculture; uses of farm records to improve management of the farm; developing enterprise budgets and use in preparing a profit-maximizing farm plan.

AGEC 5030 AGRICULTURAL PRICES (3). LEC. 3. Pr., ECON 3020 or equivalent; Math 1690 or equivalent; STAT 2610 or 2510 or equivalent. Functions of prices and principles of supply and demand in price determination for agricultural products and markets. Statistical estimation of price and demand relationships. Spring.

AGEC 5090 RESOURCE ECONOMICS I (3). LEC. 3. Pr., AGEC 2100 or equivalent and ECON 3020. Supply, demand, future requirements and availability of natural resources plus institutional framework affecting and conditioning such use through property rights, zoning, taxation, etc.

AGEC 5100 AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT (3). LEC. 3. Pr., ECON 2020, AGEC 2100 and AGEC 4040, and ACCT 2210, or departmental approval. Principles and problems in acquiring or starting, organizing, and operating successful agribusiness; financial and operational efficiency; human resource and public relations; decision-making tools.

AGEC 5210 ADVANCED AGRIBUSINESS MGT (3). LEC. 3. Pr., AGEC 5100, ECON 3020, MATH 1690, STAT 2510 or 2610, senior standing. Case studies, managerial economics. RSOC 3190 AGRICULTURE AND SOCIETY (3). LEC. 3. Values and conflicts

associated with technological and other changes in farming, rural communities and the food system. Perspectives on agrarian structures, food security, and government policy.

RSOC 3620 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION (3). LEC. 3. Analysis of social organization at the community level. Conceptual framework developed to examine both internal and external forces affecting urban as well as rural communities in the U.S., and to identify strategies to strengthen local capacity to adapt to changing social and economic environments.

RSOC 4410 EXTENSION PROGRAMS AND METHODS (3). LEC. 3. Principles and models of applied social change in U.S. and developing nations. The Cooperative Extension System is analyzed as an educational institution. Fundamental steps in program development and evaluation.

RSOC 4930 DIRECTED STUDIES IN RURAL SOCIOLOGY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (1-3). IND. Pr., departmental approval, junior standing. Individualized study of topics in rural sociology and community development, natural resources and environmental issues conducted in consultation with a faculty member. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 3 credit hours.

RSOC 4980 DIRECTED FIELD EXPERIENCE (3). LEC. 3. Pr., departmental approval, junior standing. Structured intensive involvement within an agency or organization serving people in communities or rural areas. Supervision is shared between agency personnel and department faculty who plan, consult, discuss and evaluate student activities and reports.

RSOC 5610 RURAL SOCIOLOGY (3). LEC. 3. Pr., SOCY 1000. Theories and conceptual approaches to rurality in international and domestic contexts. Rural-urban differences in demographic composition, occupational structure, attitudes and values of rural people and regional cultures. Rural services and institutions as determinants of the quality of life.

RSOC 5640 SOCIOLOGY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (3). LEC. 3. Pr., SOCY 1000 or departmental approval. Principles of applied social change at the community level in both industrialized and non-industrialized settings; impacts of economic and technological changes on urban and rural communities; citizen participation in community affairs.

RSOC 5650 SOCIOLOGY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENT (3). LEC. 3. The social origins of contemporary environmental problems, emergence of environmentalism as a social movement within industrialized nations, and other topical issues.