



Distance Education in Agronomy and Soils @ Auburn University

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The Department of Agronomy and Soils @ Auburn University

offers distance education courses and a distance education graduate degree program in Agronomy and Soils. The program gives working professionals the opportunity to improve their qualifications while remaining in the work force. Students may take individual courses or enroll in a Master of Science (M.S.) or Master of Agriculture (M.Ag.) degree.*

Admission into graduate school is required to earn a degree. However, individual courses are offered for continuing education credits or to get a head start on graduate studies. Graduate-level courses may be taken for credit for up to two semesters before enrolling in the M.S./M.Ag. graduate programs. Students must achieve a grade of B or better in these courses and must be enrolled as a degree-seeking student by the third semester in order for these courses to count toward the M.S. or M.Ag. degree.

Tuition costs are \$292 per credit hour for undergraduate courses and \$330 per credit hour for graduate level courses.

Courses Currently Available or in Development

Undergraduate level courses:

- Basic Crop Science
- Basic Soil Science**
- Principles of Weed Science
- Turfgrass Management

Graduate/senior level courses:

- Bioenergy and the Environment
- Plant Genetics and Crop Improvement
- Nutrient Management
- Soil Chemistry
- Soil Microbiology Lab**
- Soil Microbiology Lecture
- Soil Resources and Conservation
- Soils and Environmental Quality

Graduate level-only courses:

- Experimental Methods
- Soil Physics
- Chemistry and Use of Herbicides in Crop Production

Additional Courses Planned

Graduate or undergraduate level courses:

- Soil Morphology

Graduate level-only courses:

- Principles of Plant Nutrition
- Soil and Plant Analysis

*In addition to their coursework, candidates pursuing the M.S. degree must carry out original research and write a thesis, while those in the M.Ag. degree program must take additional course work and submit a literature review in lieu of a thesis.

** A campus visit is required in order to complete the laboratory exercises in Basic Soil Science and Soil Microbiology courses.