Information for Prospective Students
College of Agriculture
Auburn University

The college of Agriculture at Auburn has the on-going opportunity to train new generations of the most technically advanced agricultural graduates in the world. Whether your interests are directed toward basic biology, agribusiness, or more toward the production of “food, fiber, or fun,” there are tremendous opportunities offering great personal satisfaction and financial success. We invite you to study in one of our 21 programs and options.

Auburn students come from virtually every state and over 70 foreign countries. This gives us a desirable blend of cultures and ethnic groups that enhance the educational experience at Auburn. The College of Agriculture prides itself on having some of the brightest students at Auburn and the United States. The national test scores of incoming freshmen are well above the Auburn and national averages. Students in agriculture “learn by doing,” working side by side with their professors. This, combined with our excellent advisor system and co-curricular opportunities has developed leaders who now hold prominent positions with production operations and at all levels of agribusiness, including multinational and Fortune 500 companies. Less than 8% of our graduates go into farming, while most choose white-collar positions instead. The average starting salary is approximately $26,000. Many B.S. graduates command starting salaries in the upper $30,000 to mid $40,000, which compares favorably with other high tech curricula. Listed below are a few of the reasons that some of the best and brightest of you will choose an agricultural major:

- **Scholarships**-Last year there was one scholarship available for every five students in the College of Agriculture, totaling almost $500,000. Students accepted or enrolled in the College of Agriculture may apply for scholarships each year. Beyond freshmen scholarships, several exist for upper level students.

- **Career Placement**-Over 95% of our domestic students who responded to our surveys report that they receive good job offers either prior to or shortly after graduation. The Horticulture Department may hold a national record by placing every graduate for the last 15 years.

- **Faculty Advisors**-The College of Agriculture prides itself on assigning every undergraduate to a faculty advisor. These individuals volunteer to help students with their academic and personal lives. Many life-long friendships are formed this way.

- **Instruction**-Over 95% of our 175 faculty members hold Ph.D. degrees and many are considered national experts in their discipline.

- **Co-curricular Opportunities**-A wide variety of student honor and professional organizations exist in the college. These provide excellent opportunities for improving student and faculty relations, developing leadership skills, learning about career opportunities, gaining practical experiences and just enjoying life. Employers especially seek students who have been strongly involved with co-curricular activities.

- **Internship Opportunities**-This program offers exciting opportunities for students to gain experience with potential employers, while earning a good income and academic credit. Internships often lead to permanent employment, while in other cases they help to determine if a career choice is appropriate. These, obviously, can be life changing experiences.

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