

Academic Programs

College of Agriculture and Human Sciences

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PURPOSE AND GOALS

The College of Agriculture and Human Sciences shall serve to reinforce and strengthen the land grant mission of the University by implementing programs in the agricultural, food, human and natural resource sciences that 1) highlight learning, discovery and engagement; 2) focus on matters related to the interactive roles of individuals, families and communities within social, economic, environmental, and global systems; and 3) anchor these actions on sound public policy, the best available science, and efficient management.

Specifically, the programs in the College shall provide:

1. Instructional activities in Agriculture, Dietetics, and in Human Sciences which provide learning opportunities that prepare students to respond effectively to complex social issues relating to the food, agricultural, human and natural resource sciences through the use of innovative strategies in the delivery of classroom, laboratory, and experiential learning activities that prepare graduates for discovery and engagement in a diverse and global labor force and for advanced study in graduate and/or professional schools. These activities are conducted within the structure of the Department of Agriculture, Nutrition and Human Ecology.
2. Research activities to conduct basic and applied research in the agricultural, food, human and natural resource sciences that generate scientific information and technological developments that respond to the needs of stakeholders. These activities are conducted primarily within the structure of the Cooperative Agricultural Research Center.

3. Extension activities to deliver research based information and informal educational opportunities focused on identified issues and needs of Texans of diverse ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds giving emphasis to individuals that are historically unserved and underserved. These activities are conducted primarily within the structure of the Cooperative Extension Program.
4. International activities that establish sustainable linkages and collaborative relationships of mutual interest with global partners and sponsors to develop human capital and natural and institutional resources through implementation of the land grant mission functions of teaching/learning, research/discovery, and service/engagement in the agricultural, food, human and natural resource sciences. These activities are conducted primarily within the structure of the Institute for International Agribusiness Studies.

The graduate programs emphasize the preparation of students for teaching, research and public service in colleges and universities, in social and public service agencies, and/or in managerial positions in business, industry or government. The curriculum offers opportunities for students to tailor the program to meet individual needs and prepares graduates to work with clientele in a professional capacity as agents of change. The specific goals of the program provide opportunities for enhanced professional competency development and the development of an academic and stylistic model for additional graduate study in a variety of academic specialties.

INSTRUCTIONAL ORGANIZATION

The College of Agriculture and Human Sciences offers the following graduate degree programs:

Programs	Degrees Offered
<i>Agriculture</i>	
Areas	
Agricultural Economics	M.S., Agricultural Economics
Animal Science	M.S., Animal Science
Soil Science	M.S., Soil Science
<i>Human Sciences</i>	M.S., Human Sciences
Options	
Marriage and Family Studies	
Family and Consumer Studies	
Interdisciplinary Studies in Human Sciences	