Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology — ABM

Accelerated Bachelor's/Master's Curriculum for the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology

The Accelerated Bachelor's/Master's Program (ABM) offers outstanding students in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology (AGEC) an opportunity to earn both the bachelor's and the master's degrees in less time and at less cost than usual. The ABM program allows these exceptional AGEC students to count up to 9 hours toward both the bachelor's and master's degrees.

The Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business and Economics or the Agribusiness Minor can lead to a Master of Science in Agricultural Economics (thesis or non-thesis) in the ABM track. Below is an example curriculum for a student in the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business and Economics pursing the Master of Science in Agricultural Economics (thesis). Please see the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology website for additional information, ABM tracks and curriculum models.

Below is a chart of all the approved courses that can be taken in the ABM program and the course that it replaces at the undergraduate

| Code | Title | Hours |
|-----------|---|-------|
| AGEC 6010 | Farm Management (Replaces AGEC 5010 Farm Management) | 3 |
| AGEC 6030 | Agricultural Prices (Replaces AGEC 5030 Agricultural Prices) | 3 |
| AGEC 6090 | Environmental and Natural Resource Economics I (Replaces AGEC 5090 Environmental and Natural Resources Economics I) | 3 |
| AGEC 6100 | Agricultural Business Management (Replaces AGEC 5100 Agricultural Business Management) | 3 |
| ECON 6020 | Advanced Microeconomics (Replaces Professional Elective) | 3 |

Senior Year for Students in ABM Program - Agricultural Business and Economics

Courses marked with an asterisk are those that can be substituted by graduate level courses by students enrolled in the ABM program to meet nine undergraduate hours during their senior year and nine graduate hours to be used toward their graduate degree.

Senior

| Fall | Hours | Spring | Hours |
|---|-------|----------------------------------|-------|
| AGEC 4070 Agricultural Law | | 3 *AGEC 5010 Farm Management | 3 |
| *AGEC 5090 Environmental and Natural Resource Economics I | | 3 *AGEC 5030 Agricultural Prices | 3 |
| *AGEC 5100 Agricultural Business Management | | 3 UNIV 4AA0 Achieve the Creed | 0 |
| *Professional Elective | | 3 *Professional Elective | 3 |
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Accelerated Master of Science in Agricultural Economics (thesis)

Fifth Year

| Fall | Hours Spring | Hours Summer | Hours |
|--|---|---------------------------------|-------|
| ECON 6020 Advanced Microeconomics | 3 AGEC 7700 Research Methods in Agricultural Economics | 3 AGEC 7990 Research and Thesis | 3 |
| AGEC 7590 Introduction to Agricultural Econometrics | 3 AGEC 7990 Research and Thesis | 3 | |

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| AGEC 7100 Operations Research Methods in Agricultural Economics | 3 Elective: 6000-8999 | 3 | |
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Total Hours: 21

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