

**Bachelor of Science in Rural Studies  
Agricultural Communication Track  
Suggested Program of Study\*  
Academic Year: 2016-17**

**First Year**

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
Area A - ENGL 1101	3	Area A - ENGL 1102	3
Area A - MATH 1101 or higher	3	Area F - Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
Area D - Lab Science <sup>1</sup>	4	Area D - Lab Science <sup>1</sup>	4
Area B - COMM 1100 OR COMM 1110	3	Area E - Social Science Elective	3
Area E - POLS 1101	3	Area B - HUMN 1100	1
Physical Education Activity	1	Physical Education Activity	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
Area C - ENGL 2114, 2115, OR 2116	3	Area F - Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
Area E - Social Science Elective	3	Area C - Fine Arts Elective	3
Area F - Elective <sup>2</sup>	3	Area F - Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
Area E - HIST 2112	3	Area F - Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
Area F - Elective <sup>2</sup>	3	Area D - Math or Science Elective (MATH 2000 Preferred)	3
PHED 1100	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

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<sup>1</sup>Area D - Science for a non-science major

<sup>2</sup>**Area F - Required Courses**

Select 3 courses (9 hours) Choose 3 courses (9 hours) from the following list of courses. Select courses that will meet prerequisite requirements for the senior level diversified agriculture courses.

AECO 1150, AECO 2200 OR ACCT 2101, AECO 2260, AENT 1113, AGRP 1125, AGRY 2020, ASLH 2010, HORT 2201

Choose 3 courses (9 hours) from the following courses and not used elsewhere in the core or Area F

AECO 1150, AECO 2200 OR ACCT 2101, AECO 2260, AENT 1113, AGRP 1125, AGRY 2020, ASLH 2010, HORT 2201, AENT 1113, CISM 2201, COMM 1110, COMM 2100, COMM 2300, ENGL 2401, ENGL 2402, JRNL 1101, JRNL 2101, JRNL 2510, JRNL 2610

\*See advisor for assistance with Area F course selection.

### Third Year

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
RLST 3000	3	Track Course	3
Track Course	3	Track Course	3
ENGL 4010	3	COMM 3100	3
Track Course	3	Track Course	3
Track Course	3	Diversified Agriculture Elective <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

### Fourth Year

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
Track Course-- Research Methods strongly encouraged	3	RLST 4790, 4791, OR 4792 internship must be completed before or during this final semester.***	3
Track Course	3	RLST 4980 Senior Project	3
Track Course	3	Track Course	3
Diversified Agriculture elective <sup>1</sup>	3	General Rural Studies Elective	3
General Rural Studies Elective	3	Diversified Agriculture Elective <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

**<sup>1</sup>Diversified Agriculture: a minimum of 9 hours upper division course work required**

Choose 9 hours from the following: Prerequisites for these courses should be considered when choosing Area F Core Curriculum Courses: AECO 3430, AECO 3800, AGRP 3240, AGRY 3510, AENG 3300, ASLH 3120, ASLH 4405, AGRI 4500, AECO 4100, AECO 4710, AENG 3101, AENG 3201, AGRP 3320, AGRP 4422, AGRY 3030, AGRY 3110, HORT 3033, ASLH 3110, ASLH 3318, ASLH 4110, ASLH 4205, GLST 3700, MGMT 3670, MKTG 3800

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\*\*Unless completed elsewhere in the curriculum

\*\*\*Most students choose to complete their internships during the summer between the junior and senior year, preserving a lighter final semester to complete the Senior Project. Students have the option of completing 3, 6, or 9 hour internships. Academic credit for a single internship is based on the scope of work and complexity of the internship and the hours worked under supervision of the internship director. Most students complete RSLT 4790, 3 hrs. credit, to meet the graduation requirement. Students may complete up to 3 such internships, RSLT 4790 A, B, C. Students must work in tandem with their advisor and the internship supervisor to determine the scope of work to merit more than 3 credit hours for any internship. Students who complete more than 3 credit hours for an internship will reduce the hours in General Electives by the same number of hours devoted to internships. No student may receive credit for more than 9 hours of internship credit in a program.