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# Department of Agriculture

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The Department of Agriculture at Texas State offers students a quality education with personal attention. Students enjoy a student-centered atmosphere where their education and development are important. Students learn in a modern Agriculture Building with well-equipped classrooms and laboratories in addition to our 4,200-acre Freeman Ranch and 17-acre horticulture center. These facilities provide plenty of opportunities for students to learn and apply their knowledge to real world situations.

## Areas of Study

In the Department of Agriculture at Texas State there are six-degree options from which to choose. The options cover a variety of career areas and through proper course selection can prepare students for careers that suit their interests. The demand for graduates in all areas of agriculture is greater than the number of graduates, so all of these options will prepare students well for exciting and rewarding careers. Areas of study include:

- Agribusiness Management
  - Operations
  - Systems
  - Horticulture
- Animal Science
  - Pre-Veterinary Science
- General Agriculture
- General Agriculture (with Teacher Certification)
- Ranch & Natural Resources Management

## Faculty

The faculty members in our department are all dedicated to teaching and student development. Students' interactions with faculty extend well beyond the classroom in the Department of Agriculture. Our students have a variety of opportunities to interact with faculty members and develop personal relationships with each one of them. Students are assigned a faculty advisor when they arrive on campus to help them plan their education and professional development at Texas State.

## Student Organizations

Students have countless opportunities to become actively involved in campus organizations that assist in the development of their leadership skills. In addition to the Agriculture Ambassadors, Collegiate FFA, Delta Tau Alpha, Hortus Colere (Horticulture Club), Pi Alpha Zeta, Pre-Vet Society, Horseman's Association and Rodeo Club, which are sponsored by the department, students can participate in some of the more than 200 student organizations across campus.

## Texas State University

Texas State is a comprehensive, culturally diverse university offering undergraduate and graduate instruction to citizens across Texas as well as those from other states and nations. It was ranked No. 25 in the nation on Money Magazine's "best buy" among public universities for in-state students during 1997-98, the only Texas school named. It was also named one of the 12 "hot spots" to go to school in Newsweek's 1998 Kaplan college issue.

## Student Success Center

The department has recently created the Student Success Center that aims to put students in contact with the resources that they need to be successful at Texas State. We want our students to make the most of their Texas State experience and we are here to help them accomplish their educational and professional goals! The center will provide a wide variety of services for students in the department to succeed not only academically but in their professional development as well.

## Application for Admission

May 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for entering Freshmen and July 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for Transferring students wishing to enroll for the fall semester. Students intending to enroll for the Spring semester should be aware of the December 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Students should submit their complete application packet and \$40 application fee to the Office of Admissions. Should you need a copy of the application form contact the Office of Admissions at 512-245-2364 or apply online at [applytexas.org](http://applytexas.org)