

Associate in Arts (112)

The agribusiness degree will prepare students to transfer to a four-year institution to earn a bachelor's degree with a business focus on agriculture. Sauk Valley Community College offers transferable courses in agriculture, and also offers online courses which are taught as part of a partnership between the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES) at the University of Illinois and Illinois Community Colleges. Students who opt to take UIUC's College of ACES courses will use distance education technologies such as Yepas, the synchronous web-based software "Elluminate" (www.illuminate.com), and online assignments and discussion boards. Courses that include laboratory experience will require one or two Saturday sessions on the University of Illinois campus in Urbana. The classes are all taught by University of Illinois faculty, but the student will receive credit towards an associate degree from Sauk Valley Community College.

Students will pay regular Sauk Valley Community College tuition, not U of I tuition, for ACES courses. Credits from either the Agriculture or Agribusiness degree program may be transferred to the U of I or other four-year institutions to pursue a bachelor's degree. Students must have completed all developmental English Language Arts, and math courses prior to registering for the ACES agricultural courses.

Work and Employment

According to the U of I ACES and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, more than 48,000 agricultural-related jobs are available each year in agriculture and more than 300 agricultural careers are available globally.

Students who have already chosen the university to which they plan to transfer should consult that institution's catalog or department advisor and an SVCC academic advisor in planning their program.

Program Contacts at Sauk Valley Community College

Academic Advising, 815/835-6354.

Agriculture-Agribusiness, Farm and Financial Management - IAI Recommended Baccalaureate Curriculum

Suggested Program

First Semester - Sem/Hrs: 17-18

- AGR/BUS Elective 3-4 Semester hour(s)
- ACC 101 - Financial Accounting 4 Semester hour(s)
- CIS 109 - Introduction to Microcomputers - Windows 3 Semester hour(s)
- ENG 101 - Composition I 3 Semester hour(s)
- FYE 101 - First Year Experience 1 Semester hour(s)
- MAT 220 - Finite Mathematics 3 Semester hour(s)
- **OR**
- MAT 240 - Elementary Statistics 3 Semester hour(s)

Second Semester - Sem/Hrs: 17-18

- Humanities 3 Semester hour(s)
- ACC 102 - Managerial Accounting 4 Semester hour(s)
- AGR 102 - Introduction to Agricultural Economics 4 Semester hour(s)
- ENG 103 - Composition II 3 Semester hour(s)
- MAT 203 - Calculus and Analytic Geometry I 4 Semester hour(s)
- or
- MAT 221 - Calculus for Business and Social Sciences 3 Semester hour(s)

Third Semester - Sem/Hrs: 14

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- Fine Arts 3 Semester hour(s)
 - CHE 105 - General Chemistry I 5 Semester hour(s)
 - COM 131 - Introduction to Oral Communication 3 Semester hour(s)
 - ECO 211 - Principles of Macroeconomics 3 Semester hour(s)

Fourth Semester - Sem/Hrs: 17

- Humanities/Fine Arts 3 Semester hour(s)
- Electives 3 Semester hour(s)
- Social Science 3 Semester hour(s)
- BIO 105 - Principles of Biology 5 Semester hour(s)
- ECO 212 - Principles of Microeconomics 3 Semester hour(s)

Total Credits: 65-67

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