



Business Administration - Agribusiness Concentration

About this Composite Major

Agribusiness management students study accounting, management, finance, and marketing, and learn how to apply this knowledge to production and decision-making processes across a wide variety of organizations in the agribusiness industry.



Career Opportunities

Employment opportunities continue to be strong in this sector with many areas experiencing shortages of qualified employees. Career opportunities vary widely and students find paths that can include:

- Ag Lending
- Ag Finance
- Accounting
- Crop and/or Livestock Producer
- Farm Management
- Grain and/or Livestock Buyer
- Manufacturing Manager
- Market Analyst
- Program Specialist
- Sales Manager

Get Involved in your Major

Business Club is just one way to get involved in your major. The goal of the club is to provide opportunities for students to develop the skills, abilities, and leadership qualities necessary to enter and be successful in the workplace. This organization allows business students to network and focus their time and energy on activities that will enhance their educational experiences and better prepare them for the

job market. Students are also encouraged to participate in business-related competitions and attend guest lectures.

Meet a Student



"Agriculture is one of the quickest growing industries and isn't slowing down anytime soon. The Ag Business program at VCSU has given me the tools I need to make important business decisions both on and off the farm." - Braylen Bruns, Valley City, N.D.

"Attending VCSU was one of the best decisions of my life. It truly helped me grow as a person and led me to where I am today. I met so many great people there and made so many memories. It is amazing how much it feels like home and how you get to know everyone. VCSU is blessed with amazing professors who truly care about you as a person and want you to succeed. They are able to teach you valuable skills that are truly useful and applicable in the "real world." VCSU will always be in my heart and I can't wait to visit often. Go Vikes!" - Bradyn Sand, '20

Practical Experience

Students are encouraged to earn credits by extending their learning beyond the classroom. Job shadowing opportunities exist that allow students to observe the performance of employees in careers related to their area of study. Students will have the opportunity to participate in tours, workshops, fairs, and conferences.



An internship can be a part of a student's academic program and can take place any semester after sophomore year for up to 12 credits. Student interns gain hands-on workplace experience, have opportunities to network with professionals, and may be offered a full-time position. Area organizations that have offered internships to VCSU students include Arthur Companies Inc., The ARC Group, Bank Forward, Centrol Ag Consulting, Columbia Grain, Dakotah Bank, Doosan Bobcat, John Deere Seeding Group, Larson Grain, Nutrien Ag Solutions, Riverton Research Inc., USDA Farm Service Agency, Valley Plains Equipment, and Wold Engineering.

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Plan of Study

First Year

| Fall | Credits | Spring | Credits |
|----------------------|---------|--------------------------------|---------|
| CIS 170 (Gen Ed) | 3 | ECON 202 (Gen Ed) | 3 |
| ECON 201 (Gen Ed) | 3 | ENGL 125 or 120 (Gen Ed) | 3 |
| ENGL 110 (Gen Ed) | 3 | MATH 104 or 107 (Gen Ed) | 3 |
| Lab Science (Gen Ed) | 4 | MRKT 305 | 3 |
| UNIV 150 | 1 | Speech Communications (Gen Ed) | 3 |
| 14 | | 15 | |

Second Year

| Fall | Credits | Spring | Credits |
|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
| ACCT 200 | 3 | ACCT 201 | 3 |
| BUSI 336 | 3 | ACCT 315 | 3 |
| FIN 375 | 3 | BUSI 214 | 3 |
| MATH 210 | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| MGMT 330 | 3 | MGMT 270 | 3 |
| 15 | | 15 | |

Third Year

| Fall | Credits | Spring | Credits |
|--------------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| AGEC 342 | 3 | AGEC 346 | 3 |
| Directed Elective | 3 | AGEC 442 | 3 |
| HPER 100 or 212 (Gen Ed) | 2 | CIS 329 | 3 |
| Literacies (Gen Ed) | 3 | Directed Elective | 3 |
| MGMT 460 | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| 14 | | 15 | |

Fourth Year

| Fall | Credits | Spring | Credits |
|--|---------|------------------------|---------|
| Additional Humanities or Social Science (Gen Ed) | 3 | AGEC 341 | 3 |
| BUSI 480 | 3 | Art and Music (Gen Ed) | 3 |
| Directed Elective | 3 | BUSI 350 | 3 |
| Elective | 3 | BUSI 485 | 3 |
| Lab Science (Gen Ed) | 4 | BUSI 491 | 1 |
| | | FIN 376 | 3 |
| 16 | | 16 | |

Total Credits 120

Please note: This plan is intended for general information only. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their academic advisor each semester before registration.



Online Course Rotation

Fall Even Years

| | | |
|----------|-----------------------------------|------|
| ACCT 200 | Elements of Accounting I | 3 |
| ACCT 307 | Managerial Accounting and Finance | 3 |
| ACCT 315 | Business in the Legal Environment | 3 |
| ACCT 369 | Enterprise Systems | 3 |
| BUSI 214 | Business Communications | 3 |
| BUSI 350 | Operations Management | 3 |
| BUSI 485 | Entrepreneurship | 3 |
| BUSI 491 | Senior Seminar | 1 |
| BUSI 497 | Internship | 3-12 |
| ECON 202 | Principles of Macroeconomics | 3 |
| FIN 350 | Foundations of Banking | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MRKT 305 | Principles of Marketing | 3 |

Fall Odd Years

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|----------|-----------------------------------|------|
| ACCT 200 | Elements of Accounting I | 3 |
| ACCT 315 | Business in the Legal Environment | 3 |
| BUSI 214 | Business Communications | 3 |
| BUSI 350 | Operations Management | 3 |
| BUSI 485 | Entrepreneurship | 3 |
| BUSI 491 | Senior Seminar | 1 |
| BUSI 497 | Internship | 3-12 |
| ECON 202 | Principles of Macroeconomics | 3 |
| FIN 375 | Managerial Finance | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 270 | Business Ethics | 3 |
| MRKT 305 | Principles of Marketing | 3 |

Spring Even Years

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|
| ACCT 201 | Elements of Accounting II | 3 |
| ACCT 315 | Business in the Legal Environment | 3 |
| AGEC 474 Cooperatives (NDSU) | | 3 |
| BUSI 336 | Business Data Solutions | 3 |
| BUSI 480 | Strategic Planning | 3 |
| BUSI 497 | Internship | 3-12 |
| ECON 201 | Principles of Microeconomics | 3 |
| FIN 376 | Managerial Finance II | 3 |
| FIN 380 | Principles of Investments | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 330 | Principles of Management | 3 |
| MGMT 460 | International Business | 3 |
| MRKT 340 | Professional Sales | 3 |

Spring Odd Years

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|
| ACCT 201 | Elements of Accounting II | 3 |
| ACCT 315 | Business in the Legal Environment | 3 |
| ACCT 355 | Taxation of Business Entities | 3 |
| AGEC 474 Cooperatives (NDSU) | | 3 |
| BUSI 336 | Business Data Solutions | 3 |
| BUSI 480 | Strategic Planning | 3 |
| BUSI 497 | Internship | 3-12 |
| CIS 329 | Information Systems Management | 3 |
| ECON 201 | Principles of Microeconomics | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 270 | Business Ethics | 3 |

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| MGMT 330 | Principles of Management | 3 |
| MGMT 460 | International Business | 3 |

Summer Even Years

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|----------|--------------------------|------|
| BUSI 214 | Business Communications | 3 |
| BUSI 350 | Operations Management | 3 |
| BUSI 480 | Strategic Planning | 3 |
| BUSI 497 | Internship | 3-12 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 270 | Business Ethics | 3 |
| MGMT 330 | Principles of Management | 3 |
| MRKT 305 | Principles of Marketing | 3 |

Summer Odd Years

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|----------|--------------------------|------|
| BUSI 214 | Business Communications | 3 |
| BUSI 485 | Entrepreneurship | 3 |
| BUSI 497 | Internship | 3-12 |
| FIN 375 | Managerial Finance | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 270 | Business Ethics | 3 |
| MGMT 330 | Principles of Management | 3 |
| MGMT 460 | International Business | 3 |
| MRKT 305 | Principles of Marketing | 3 |
| MRKT 340 | Professional Sales | 3 |



Face-to-Face Course Rotation

Fall Even Years

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|----------|------------------------------|------|
| ACCT 200 | Elements of Accounting I | 3 |
| BUSI 336 | Business Data Solutions | 3 |
| BUSI 387 | Business Practicum | 1-12 |
| BUSI 480 | Strategic Planning | 3 |
| ECON 202 | Principles of Macroeconomics | 3 |
| FIN 375 | Managerial Finance | 3 |
| GEOL 315 | Soil Science and Survey | 4 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 270 | Business Ethics | 3 |
| MGMT 330 | Principles of Management | 3 |
| MGMT 340 | Human Resource Management | 3 |
| MGMT 460 | International Business | 3 |

Fall Odd Years

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|----------|--|---|
| ACCT 200 | Elements of Accounting I | 3 |
| AGEC 342 | Introduction to Agriculture Management | 3 |
| BUSI 336 | Business Data Solutions | 3 |
| BUSI 480 | Strategic Planning | 3 |
| ECON 201 | Principles of Microeconomics | 3 |
| FIN 350 | Foundations of Banking | 3 |
| GEOL 315 | Soil Science and Survey | 4 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 330 | Principles of Management | 3 |
| MGMT 460 | International Business | 3 |

Spring Even Years

| | | |
|----------|-----------------------------------|------|
| ACCT 201 | Elements of Accounting II | 3 |
| ACCT 315 | Business in the Legal Environment | 3 |
| ACCT 355 | Taxation of Business Entities | 3 |
| AGEC 346 | Agriculture Commodity Marketing | 3 |
| AGEC 442 | Advanced Farm Management | 3 |
| BIOL 360 | Environmental Law and Regulations | 3 |
| BIOL 455 | Introduction to GIS | 4 |
| BUSI 214 | Business Communications | 3 |
| BUSI 350 | Operations Management | 3 |
| BUSI 387 | Business Practicum | 1-12 |
| BUSI 485 | Entrepreneurship | 3 |
| BUSI 491 | Senior Seminar | 1 |
| CIS 329 | Information Systems Management | 3 |
| ECON 202 | Principles of Macroeconomics | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MGMT 270 | Business Ethics | 3 |
| MRKT 305 | Principles of Marketing | 3 |

Spring Odd Years

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|----------|-----------------------------------|------|
| ACCT 201 | Elements of Accounting II | 3 |
| AGEC 341 | Agricultural Economics | 3 |
| BIOL 360 | Environmental Law and Regulations | 3 |
| BIOL 455 | Introduction to GIS | 4 |
| BUSI 214 | Business Communications | 3 |
| BUSI 350 | Operations Management | 3 |
| BUSI 387 | Business Practicum | 1-12 |
| BUSI 485 | Entrepreneurship | 3 |
| BUSI 491 | Senior Seminar | 1 |
| ECON 202 | Principles of Macroeconomics | 3 |
| FIN 376 | Managerial Finance II | 3 |

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| FIN 380 | Principles of Investments | 3 |
| MATH 210 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| MRKT 305 | Principles of Marketing | 3 |
| MRKT 340 | Professional Sales | 3 |