Agricultural Science at Truman

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Degree offered

BS

Agricultural Science

Minors offered

Agricultural Studies, Agricultural Business, Equine Studies, Animal Science

Every student engages in experiential learning through the two-semester Ag Practicum class which serves as the capstone for the major.

Students in the "Feed" Symposium project raised thousands of pounds of food at the University Farm for donation to local food pantries. 80

approximate number of students in the major 40

approximate number of students in one of these minors

The 400-acre University Farm is just one mile from campus.



The University Farm includes resources such as a greenhouse, riding/breeding horse herd, cattle herd, agronomy research plots, vegetable production for farm-to-table, composting, indoor and outdoor riding arenas, and availability of horse boarding for students.

Faculty areas of expertise include soil & plant science, agricultural marketing, animal nutrition, animal reproduction, animal welfare, and equine exercise physiology.

Notable internship opportunities include

- · Danforth Plant Science Center
- · W.H. Miner Institute (equine breeding)
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (soil conservation)
- · Bayer (plant breeding)
- Ranch work (Nebr., Mont., Wyo.)
- Case-IH equipment (marketing)
- · Aldi Foods (management)



About 1/3 of Agricultural Science graduates enter graduate or professional school



The Equestrian Team is open to riders of all levels and uses University facilities and horses for practice.

Our Compost Project diverts more than 140,000 pounds of food scraps from the landfill each year, turning it into a rich, renewable soil amendment!



The agricultural department at Truman provides many unique fields of study with diverse professor backgrounds that give students the chance to explore agriculture. The faculty and staff are always friendly, encouraging, and willing to help students with finding their niche within agriculture. As an Agricultural Science major, I am constantly out and around campus or the Truman farm participating in laboratory classes, getting involved in agricultural activities, or even just talking with the professors and staff. I am able to take courses over building equitation skills, have been given the chance to work in a greenhouse at Truman that provides fresh produce for the local food bank, and even participate in live veterinary visits with horses and cows at the Truman farm. There is such a wide variety of options within the agricultural department at Truman, it is easy to fit in and find your passion.

CASSIE SEUFERLING, Class of 2024
Academic Interests: Agricultural science major with a minor in Equine Studies
Student Involvement: Truman State University Equestrian Team, Truman State Sustainability Office, Truman State Communiversity Garden
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