## **YOUR** Major Action Plan: Animal Science



What is YOUR passion?		1st YEAR	2nd YEAR
County Extension Agent Artificial Insemination Technician Breed Association Representative Dairy Herdsman/Manager/ Salesperson	YOUR Target Courses	- Complete at least 30 credit hours, including an FYS 1100 course and AGRI 1419 See Staff or Faculty Advisor to discuss your desired major and concentration, Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements, <u>Academic Advising Guide</u> , and file your degree plan.— - Students interested in the pre-veterinary medicine concentration should visit with an advisor frequently to ensure completion of the necessary vet school requirements.	- Complete at least 30 credit hours, including ANSC 2101 and ANSC 2350 The aim is to be CORE complete by the end of your second year, as well as have all 1xxx and 2xxx level courses successfully completed.
Cooperative Extension Service Specialist Feed Additive Sales Dairy Microbiologist Nutritional Consultant/ Nutritionist Pharmaceutical Technical Representative Swine Operations	Find <b>YOUR</b> Way	<ul> <li>Undecided about your major? Want to learn more about different career options? Take advantage of <u>career counseling and career assessments</u> through Career Services.</li> <li>Explore student groups and organizations in your major or area of interest through TexanSync.</li> <li>Attend Study Skills sessions for additional assistance with acclimating the first year.</li> <li>Attend or use <u>Academic Resource Center Coaching</u>, <u>Math Clinic</u>, <u>tutoring options</u>, and <u>Writing Center</u>.</li> <li>Know the <u>FAFSA deadlines</u> each year.</li> <li>Seek help from <u>Student Counseling Center</u> for home sickness, depression or other issues.</li> <li>Feeling ill? Visit <u>Student Health Services</u> for physical health related concerns.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Explore available Applied Learning Experiences (ALE) such as internships, research, study abroad, service learning or leadership experiences.</li> <li>Join an organization related to your major; Block and Bridle, Collegiate FFA, Collegiate 4-H, Livestock Judging, Meat Judging, Dairy Judging, Horse Judging, Dairy Club, Equestrian Team, Stock Horse Team, or Pre-Veterinary Club. Visit the ASVT Student Organizations website for more information, or explore student groups and organizations all over campus in <a href="TexanSync">TexanSync</a>.</li> <li>Join Alpha Zeta, the National Honorary Society for the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences.</li> </ul>
Range and Ranch Management  Veterinary Medicine  Graduate Studies  Investigators for Livestock Organizations  Feed Sales	Sharpen <b>YOUR</b> Skills	- Start researching the marketable skills that employers are seeking Get involved in Service Day and Tarleton Roundup Apply to be a Residential Leader (RL) or Tarleton Transition Mentor (TTM) - Schedule a meeting with a department representative to explore study away and study abroad experiences and department-sponsored service learning projects offered by your major Run for Freshman Representative Council with SGA (Student Government Association) Look into Greek Organizations to network and build community.	- Seek out volunteer opportunities in your area through <u>Volunteer Match</u> or <u>United Way</u> to give back to the community and build marketable skills for future employment.  - Attend events offered by <u>The Office of Diversity and Inclusion</u> and <u>Fine Arts Center</u> for cultural and diversity awareness.  - Participate in <u>Alternative Spring Break</u> .  - Run for <u>Student Government Association</u> .
Vet Supply/ Pharmaceutical Sales Farm/Ranch Management Feed Mill Manager	YOUR Next Steps	- Check out part-time jobs in <u>Career Services employment system</u> to gain work experience for your resume Attend job and graduate school fairs to explore future opportunities. Make a good first impression with your attire Investigate the type of lifestyle, salary, and occupation you would like to have through Texas <u>Reality Check</u> tool (powered by Texas Workforce Commission) Learn more about your student loan debt, budgeting and much more through <u>SALT</u> .	- Explore <u>career opportunities</u> within your major Ask <u>Career Services</u> how to conduct a job shadow Convert your high school resume into a pre-professional <u>resume</u> Get to know your instructors to establish professional references and explore research opportunities Create your online portfolio through <u>Portfolium</u> . Consult with Career Services or your Faculty Advisor on items to include.

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Research Associate (Industry, University)  Meat Sales and Merchandising  Prepared Food Sales  Food Service  Laboratory Technician	YOUR Target Courses		- Complete remaining credit hours Meet with your advisor to ensure you are on track to graduate If your degree requires an internship, make sure you have completed it. Internships provide hands-on experience that will give students an advantage over other job applicants after graduation. Contact a program advisor for more information.
Retail Meat Manager			
Meat Grader	Find Y	<ul> <li>Visit with a faculty advisor/mentor within your area of interest to explore student opportunities specific to your major.</li> <li>Consider participating in an undergraduate research project.</li> <li>Conduct informational interviews and talk to professionals working in your fields of</li> </ul>	- Present an undergraduate research project at a student or professional conference.
USDA Meat Inspector			
Zoo Employment/Wildlife Parks	YOUR W	interest.  - Take part in the Official Ring Ceremony.  - Students completing the pre-veterinary medicine concentration should begin researching	
Pet Store Manager	Way	different veterinary schools and their specific application requirements.	
Livestock and Breed Publication Journalism and Photography Riding Equipment Sales	Sharpen	- Consider taking on leadership roles within your student organizations and clubs Explore volunteer opportunities in your area through All For Good.	- Suggested resources for internships can be found in the <u>Career Service's employment system</u> or the <u>College Internship Program's website</u> .
and Management Embryo Transplant Technologist Horse Training	YOUR	<ul> <li>Need to get more experience and skills? Check out <u>CareerOneStop.org</u> sponsored by the US Department of Labor.</li> <li>Become an <u>Academic Resource Center</u>— <u>Coach Leader</u> (ARC-C Leader)</li> <li>Explore internship opportunities with a faculty mentor or academic advisor for your concentration area.</li> </ul>	
Livestock Equipment  Manufacturing	Skills		
Explore more occupation groups through the Occupational Outlook Handbook powered by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics.	YOUR Next Steps	<ul> <li>Meet with a Career Services staff member to plan your job-search campaign, schedule mock interviews, resume critiques, and a Business Etiquette Dinner.</li> <li>Create a LinkedIn profile to further your professional networking.</li> <li>Check the Career Services calendar for career development workshops.</li> <li>Investigate graduate schools and attend the Open House for TSU Graduate Studies.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Upon completing your registration for your final semester, Apply for <u>GRADUATION</u>!</li> <li>Update your resume in <u>Career Service's employment system</u>, Portfolium, and LinkedIn.</li> <li>Compile reference letters, awards, etc.</li> <li>Research potential employers, seek out networking opportunities, apply for available positions, and prepare for potential interviews.</li> <li>Attend <u>job fairs</u> and <u>dress professionally</u>.</li> <li>Consider and review various job offers, if necessary, review information needed to <u>negotiate a salary</u>.</li> <li>Graduate! Congratulations!</li> <li>Join the <u>Tarleton Alumni Association</u> to stay connected to the University. <u>BLEED PURPLE!</u></li> </ul>