

# YOUR Major Action Plan: Agribusiness



What is YOUR passion?	1st YEAR	2nd YEAR
Sales Representative  Real Estate Agent  Financial Planner	<b>YOUR Target Courses</b>  - Complete at least 30 credit hours including an FYS 1100 course and AGEC 2317. - See Staff or Faculty Academic Advisor to discuss your desired major and concentration, Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements, <a href="#">Academic Advising Guide</a> , and file your degree plan.	- Complete at least 30 credit hours, including a general agriculture choice (AGRI 1419, WSES 1305, or HORT 1301), ACCT 2301, ACCT 2302, and ECON 2302.  - 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.
Business Developer  Food Production  Farm Equipment Sales  Purchasing Manager  Financial Manager	<b>Find YOUR Way</b>  - Undecided about your major? Want to learn more about different career options? Take advantage of <a href="#">career counseling and career assessments</a> through Career Services. - Explore student groups and organizations in your major or area of interests through <a href="#">TexanSync</a> . - Attend <a href="#">Study Skills</a> sessions for additional assistance with acclimating the first year. - Attend or use <a href="#">Academic Resource Center Coaching</a> , <a href="#">Math Clinic</a> , <a href="#">tutoring options</a> , and <a href="#">Writing Center</a> . - Know the <a href="#">FAFSA deadlines</a> each year. - Seek help from <a href="#">Student Counseling Center</a> for home sickness, depression or other issues. - Feeling ill? Visit <a href="#">Student Health Services</a> for physical health related concerns. - Visit the Agribusiness office to discuss departmental events and how to get involved.	- Explore available <a href="#">Applied Learning Experiences (ALE)</a> such as internships, research, study abroad, service learning or leadership experiences. - Join an organization related to your major; The Agribusiness Club, Collegiate FFA, Collegiate 4-H, Horticulture Club, Livestock Judging, Meat Judging, or Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow, or others. Visit the <a href="#">ACS Student Organization website</a> for more information, or explore student groups and organizations all over campus in <a href="#">TexanSync</a> . - Join Alpha Zeta, the National Honorary Society for the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences.
Accounts Manager  Ag Economics Professor  Agricultural Sales & Development Manager	<b>Sharpen YOUR Skills</b>  - Start researching the <a href="#">marketable skills</a> that employers are seeking. - Get involved in <a href="#">Service Day</a> and Tarleton Roundup. - Apply to be a <a href="#">Residential Leader (RL)</a> or Tarleton Transition Mentor (TTM) - Schedule a meeting with a Agribusiness representative to explore study away and study abroad experiences and department-sponsored service learning projects offered by your major. - Run for <a href="#">Freshman Representative Council</a> with SGA (Student Government Association). - Look into <a href="#">Greek Organizations</a> to network and build community.	- Seek out volunteer opportunities in your area through <a href="#">Volunteer Match</a> or <a href="#">United Way</a> to give back to the community and build marketable skills for future employment. - Attend events offered by <a href="#">The Office of Diversity and Inclusion</a> and <a href="#">Fine Arts Center</a> for cultural and diversity awareness - Participate in <a href="#">Alternative Spring Break</a> . - Run for <a href="#">Student Government Association</a> . - Apply for the State Fair of Texas Internship. More information about the requirements can be found in the ACS office.
Agricultural Loan Officers  Agricultural Investment Analyst	<b>YOUR Next Steps</b>  - Check out part-time jobs in <a href="#">Career Services employment system</a> to gain work experience for your resume. - Attend <a href="#">job and graduate school fairs</a> to explore future opportunities. Make a <a href="#">good first impression with your attire</a> . - Investigate the type of lifestyle, salary, and occupation you would like to have through Texas <a href="#">Reality Check</a> tools (powered by Texas Workforce Commission). - Learn more about your student loan debt, budgeting and much more through <a href="#">SALT</a> .	- Explore <a href="#">career opportunities</a> within your major. - Ask <a href="#">Career Services</a> how to conduct a job shadow. - Convert your high school resume into a pre-professional <a href="#">resume</a> . - Get to know your instructors to establish professional references and explore research opportunities. - Create your online portfolio through <a href="#">Portfolioium</a> or Weebly. Consult with Career Services or your Faculty Advisor on items to include.

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What is YOUR passion?		3rd YEAR	4th YEAR
County Extension Agent  Farm Service Agency  USDA	YOUR Target Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete at least 30 credit hours including AGEC 3312, AGEC 3314, AGEC 3317, and AGEC 3333.</li> <li>- Be mindful of course rotation when registering for classes by following the Agribusiness advising guide to avoid delaying graduation. Speaking with an advisor prior to registration is beneficial to staying on track.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete remaining credit hours, including your internship. Internships or equivalent research are required for all concentrations. Contact a program advisor for more information.</li> <li>- Meet with your advisor to ensure you are on track to graduate.</li> </ul>
Dairy Business Mgmt  Dairy Farm Owner  Equipment Operator  Herd Manager	Find YOUR Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 interest.</li> <li>- Take part in the <u>Official Ring Ceremony</u>.</li> <li>- Consider enrolling in the Agribusiness tour. More information is available in the Agribusiness office.</li> <li>- Talk eth Agribusiness faculty to identify and plan your internship for Summer before graduation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete Strengths Quest Assessment</li> <li>- Cultivate professional networks in the Agribusiness or business field in preparation for the experiential learning requirements.</li> </ul>
Dairy Farm Herdsman  Feedlot Assistant	Sharpen YOUR Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consider taking on leadership roles within your student organizations and clubs.</li> <li>- Explore volunteer opportunities in your area through <u>All For Good</u>.</li> <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– Coach Leader (ARC-C Leader)</u></li> <li>- Explore internship opportunities with a faculty mentor or academic advisor for your concentration area.</li> <li>- Apply for the State Fair of Texas Internship. More information about the requirements can be found in the ACS office.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 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>.</li> </ul>
Explore more occupations and occupational groups through the <u>Occupational Outlook Handbook</u> powered by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics.	YOUR Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meet with a Career Services staff member to plan your <u>job-search campaign</u>, schedule <u>mock interviews</u>, resume critiques, and a <u>Business Etiquette Dinner</u>.</li> <li>- Create a <u>LinkedIn</u> profile to further your professional networking.</li> <li>- Check the <u>Career Services calendar</u> for career development workshops.</li> <li>- Seek out an internship at any of the Career Services <u>job fairs</u>.</li> <li>- Investigate graduate schools and attend the Open House for <u>TSU College of Graduate Studies</u>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Upon completing your registration for your final semester, apply for <u>GRADUATION!</u></li> <li>- Update resume in <u>Career Service's employment system</u>, <u>Portfolium</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>.</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> if needed.</li> <li>- Graduate! Congratulations!</li> <li>- Join the <u>Tarleton Alumni Association</u> to stay connected to the University. <b>BLEED PURPLE!</b></li> </ul>