



Agricultural Leadership

Where do you see yourself?

- 4-H youth education
- Agricultural extension education
- Association management
- Banking and lending services
- College student development
- Corporate agriculture
- Event planning and management
- Farm and ranch management
- Higher education administration
- Human resource development
- Leadership education and training
- Management consulting
- Policy and law
- Rural community development
- Sales and marketing
- Social service administration
- Veterinary medicine



Agricultural leadership provides a strong basic understanding of agriculture and natural resources with a deep understanding of leadership theory and its application. Commitment to agriculture, authentic leadership, diversity, critical thinking and professionalism are the five core values of agricultural leadership.

You will gain a basic understanding of agricultural economics, animal science, entomology, mechanized agriculture, and plant and soil sciences. Students can take advanced agricultural courses in rural community development, marketing and sales, international agriculture and environmental science. Agricultural leadership is flexible allowing ample opportunity to create a specialization or complete a minor.

Within agricultural leadership, you have the option to select a predefined emphasis area or work with your faculty adviser to customize your plan of study. These areas include:

Agricultural Leadership

Learn about leadership styles, decision-making, ethical leadership, motivation and team processes in the context of agriculture as you prepare for a future career in the agricultural sciences and natural resources.

General

Students pursuing the general option typically also complete one of the college's 12 minors or work with their faculty adviser to select courses that fit an area of special interest.

Extension Education

Specialized coursework will prepare you to pursue careers in extension and to develop science-based educational programs helping the public solve local issues and concerns.

International Studies

Combine your agricultural coursework with international studies and a foreign language component to prepare to impact agriculture globally.



Scholarship Dollars

The Department of Agricultural Education, Communications and Leadership annually awards nearly **\$80,000** in scholarships to students in the department. Last year, CASNR awarded an additional **\$460,000** to students within the college.



Student Organizations

Each year, agricultural leadership students organize a community-wide food drive called Hunt 4 Hunger. Teams from student organizations throughout the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources compete in the event each fall and collect approximately 3,000 pounds of canned food in one evening. The food collected is donated to a local agency and directly supports the Stillwater community.

Internships

All agricultural leadership students complete a full-time internship prior to graduation. In the last few years, students have interned for Archer Daniels Midland (ADM), Agriculture Future of America (AFA), Cargill, Dow AgroSciences, Farm Credit, Farm Service Agency, House Committee on Agriculture, Land O' Lakes and Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service.

Fast Fact: *The agricultural leadership major offers 18 hours of electives, allowing students ample flexibility to pursue special interests.*

Alumni Spotlight

Jason Harvey

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Leadership, 1995

Jason Harvey works for the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry's Market Development Division. He is responsible for the "Made in Oklahoma" promotional program and oversees nearly \$2 million of grant funds designed to develop agricultural products and expand the state's production of value-added products.

Outside of his job duties, Harvey serves as a general livestock superintendent at the Tulsa State Fair and as a member of the swine committee of the Oklahoma Youth Expo.

Harvey was a member of Class XI of the Oklahoma Agricultural Leadership Program and served on the OSU College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Alumni Board from 2003 to 2009. In 2013, he was selected as a recipient of CASNR's Early Career Achievement Award. In 2014, he was recognized as the Outstanding Agricultural Leadership Alum.

CASNR Fast Facts

>>> Faculty Advising <<<

40+

Student Organizations

\$1.4

Million in Scholarships each year

13:1

Student to Faculty Ratio



45 States Represented

4 out of 15

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