Agribusiness Management (Certificate) (Distance Education)

The University Associate Certificate in Agribusiness Management is available to any student enrolled as a non-degree studies (NDS) student at North Carolina State University. This certificate is not available to students enrolled in a 2-year or 4-year degree program at NC State University. This certificate provides individuals an opportunity to learn applied business and economic principles that are useful in careers in agricultural and related industries. These could include careers in horticulture, landscaping, and chemical and farm equipment sales, as well as the production and distribution of crops and other commodities.

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Admissions Requirements
- Have received a High School Diploma or a GED at least 12 months prior to applying to this program;
- Not enrolled in a degree program (2-year or 4-year) at N.C. State;
- Acceptance as a Non-Degree Studies (NDS) student through DELTA, if not already enrolled;
- Completed certificate program application that may be submitted to ARE at any time throughout the year; and
- Must be accepted into the AAS Certificate in Agribusiness Management program.

Completion Requirements
Completion of 15 credit hours from the list of required courses with a grade of C- or higher received for each course; and an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher must be achieved upon completion of all required courses.

- Three (3) years will be allowed for completion of all courses. The time limit starts with enrollment in the first course. Students will be allowed to defer no more than two semesters after acceptance into the program. Courses may be completed in any order.
- All courses must be taken through distance education unless special approval is granted for completion of an on-campus section to allow the student to successfully complete the course sequence for receipt of the certificate.
- None of the required 15 credit hours may be taken for S/U or credit-only.
- No pre-requisite course requirements are needed.

- No transfer credits from other institutions to fulfill certificate course requirements are allowed. Students currently enrolled in a 2-year Agribusiness Management degree program, or who would qualify for a 2-year degree AGB concentration, do not qualify for this certificate program.

Registration/Financial Aid information
Acceptance as a Non-Degree Studies (NDS) student at NC State University does not imply acceptance into this certificate program. NDS students must also apply to the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics to be accepted into this certificate program. Potential students should check to see if their financial aid will provide tuition for all courses required for this program. Financial aid may not be available for this certificate, or other non-degree programs or certificates at N.C. State University. Contact the Program Coordinator for more information.

Academic Structure
Term Effective: 1/2012
Plan Code: 32AGPCTA
CIP Code: 01.0101
Description: Associate Certificate in Agribusiness Management Offered via Distance Education only
Additional information is available on the departmental website (http://go.ncsu.edu/agribusiness_online/) for this certificate.

Plan Requirements
Plan Code: 32AGPCTA
Required Courses to be taken via distance education (section number 601) (15 credits):

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