ANIMAL SCIENCE MAJOR: DAIRY MANAGEMENT OPTION (B.S.)

https://colsa.unh.edu/agriculture-nutrition-food-systems/program/bs/animal-science-major-dairy-management-option

Description

The ANSC: dairy management option is designed to provide students with solid training in areas important to the successful management of a dairy enterprise, for employment in related agribusinesses (e.g., pharmaceutical and feed industries), or for those wishing to pursue additional training leading to the M.S. or Ph.D. degree in dairy science or its related disciplines. Dairy management students receive training in areas such as nutrition, reproduction, diseases, genetics, lactation physiology, forages, agribusiness finance, personnel management, computer science, and public relations. The Fairchild Dairy Teaching and Research Center and the Burley-DeMerritt Organic Dairy Research Farm are modern dairy facilities. The Fairchild Dairy Houses 100 lactating Holstein cows plus a similar number of non-lactating animals. The Burley-DeMerritt Farm houses 50 lactating Jersey cows plus a small number of non-lactating animals.

Requirements

Degree Requirements

Minimum Credit Requirement: 128 credits

Minimum Residency Requirement: 32 credits must be taken at UNH

Minimum GPA: 2.0 required for conferral*

Core Curriculum Required: Discovery & Writing Program Requirements

Foreign Language Requirement: No

All Major, Option and Elective Requirements as indicated.

*Major GPA requirements as indicated.

Major Requirements

GPA requirements for All Students in Animal Science: Students will be required to earn a C- or better in the foundation courses and all required courses for the animal science major to receive credit toward graduation. Students failing to do this will need to retake the course in order to receive credit.
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**Second Year**

**Fall**
- AAS 432 Introduction to Forage and Grassland Management 3
- ANSC 511 Anatomy and Physiology 4
- ANSC 612 Genetics of Animals 4
- ANSC 650 Dairy Industry Travel Course 1
- Discovery course 4

**Credits** 15

**Spring**
- AAS 439 Fundamentals of Animal Health 2
- ANSC 512 Anatomy and Physiology 4
- ANSC 543 Technical Writing in Animal Sciences (WI) 1 2
- BIOL 528 Applied Biostatistics I 4
- Discovery course 4

**Credits** 16

**Third Year**

**Fall**
- ANSC 625 Animal Diseases 4
- ANSC 698 Cooperative for Real Education in Agricultural Management (CREAM) 4
- BMS 503 General Microbiology 5
- BMS 504 General Microbiology Laboratory 4
- Discovery course 4

**Credits** 17

**Spring**
- ANSC 609 Principles of Animal Nutrition 4
- ANSC 627 Animal Health Applications 4
- ANSC 698 Cooperative for Real Education in Agricultural Management (CREAM) 4
- BMCB 501 Biological Chemistry 4

**Credits** 16

**Fourth Year**

**Fall**
- ANSC 715 Physiology of Lactation (or Discovery course) 4
- ANSC 727 Advanced Dairy Management I 4
- Discovery course 4
- Elective 4

**Credits** 16

**Spring**
- ANSC 602 Animal Rights and Societal Issues (WI) 4
- ANSC 710 Dairy Nutrition 4
- ANSC 724 Reproductive Management and Artificial Insemination (or Discovery course) 4
- ANSC 728 Advanced Dairy Management II (WI, capstone) 4

**Credits** 16

**Total Credits** 128

*ENGL 419, ENGL 501, ENGL 502 and ENGL 503 may be substituted.*

**Student Learning Outcomes**

Students will gain a fundamental knowledge of the animal science related disciplines of:

Anatomy & Physiology

- Students will be able to recognize the complimentary relationship of anatomic structure and function and accurately describe the basic physiologic processes of mammalian organ systems.

Nutrition

- Students will be able to identify, compare, contrast, and link different concepts regarding animal feeding and metabolism of carbohydrates, lipids, and protein in major livestock species and equine.

Genetics

- Students will understand basic principles and applications of inheritance, the difference between qualitative genetics, and be able to discuss the various disciplines within genetics.

Disease

- Students will understand the modes of transmission of infectious diseases, recognize signs of illness associated with notable diseases in livestock species, and be able to appropriately apply general concepts of disease prevention and biosecurity to a variety of management situations.

Reproduction

- Students will comprehend the mechanisms and endocrine control of gametogenesis, fertilization, pregnancy, and lactation and understand the variety of factors that can influence reproductive success.

Animal Ethics

- Students will recognize the numerous ways that humans use, benefit from, and conflict with non-human animals and have an awareness of the variety of motivations and influences that drive these relationships.
- Students will be able to develop critical questions that facilitate their independent investigation of topics related to animal science and demonstrate an integration of discipline specific knowledge through engaging in experiential education opportunities.
- Students will be able to conduct literature searches using relevant databases to critically evaluate both academic and popular press resources pertinent to the animal sciences.
- Students will be able to construct well-supported, effectively organized written arguments to express informed perspectives on animal science related topics. These writings will demonstrate professional style, appropriate mechanics (grammar, punctuation, and spelling), and the correct use of citations.