

# AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS (BSc Agr)



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# Agricultural Economics

## IS AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS FOR ME?

If you are interested in improving the viability of food production, developing agriculture and food policy or environmental policy, protecting natural resources, generating trade opportunities, advising international food organizations or studying at the graduate level, the Agricultural Economics Major is the right fit for you. This applied economics program also provides students with the option to enter the honours program and complete a year-long research project. Students may also choose from a variety of minors that will make them more attractive to future employers and graduate schools.

## WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The Agricultural Economics Major blends courses from agriculture, business and economics that will serve you well in your career. Some classes include:

- Principles of Microeconomics
- Agricultural Ecosystems
- Marketing
- Mathematical Economics
- Agricultural Futures and Options
- Statistics for Economics and Business
- Agricultural and Food Policy
- Agricultural Markets and Prices
- Financial Accounting

## OPTIONAL MINORS

Students have the option to take a minor along with their major. A minor is a select number of courses, which gives students significant knowledge in another area of study. Employers are always looking for unique students with the ability to think from different perspectives to find solutions to real-world problems. These optional minors include:

- Agricultural Business
- Animal Agriculture
- Aquaculture
- Environmental Horticulture
- Environmental Sciences
- Equine Science
- Food Bioscience
- Plant Science

## WHAT GRADUATE PROGRAMS CAN I PURSUE?

- Master of Science (MSc) in Agricultural Economics
- Master of Arts (MA) in Economics
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Various other Professional Degrees

## WHAT CAREERS CAN I PURSUE?

With one in eight Canadian jobs found in the agri-food industry, you will have many career options to choose from. A few examples include:

- Economic Analyst
- Government or Private Industry Economist
- Policy Analyst/Advisor
- Market Analyst
- Business Consultant
- Farm Business Specialist
- Financial/ Credit Advisor/ Banker
- Statistician
- Resource Manager
- Commodities Trader

## WHO WILL HIRE ME?

Upon completing the Agricultural Economics Major, you will be prepared to work in a variety of settings. A few sample employers include:

- Private businesses
- Provincial and federal governments
- Banks and financial institutions
- Industry associations and boards
- Non-governmental organizations
- Import and export firms

## WHY STUDY AT DAL'S TRURO CAMPUS?

- We offer small class sizes to nurture individualized learning needs in a close-knit, small campus community
- Here, you are not just another number. Professors know who you are and want you to succeed
- Our campus supports entrepreneurship through a program called Cultiv8, which is a place for budding entrepreneurs to collaborate with industry on new business ideas and ventures. Learn more at [dal.ca/cultiv8](http://dal.ca/cultiv8)
- We also provide students with many services, extra-curricular activities, and other opportunities
- The town of Truro offers the best of both worlds: small-town ambiance combined with a full range of commercial and recreational opportunities. Come and take a walk in Victoria Park, shop at the weekly farmer's market, or eat at the cafés and downtown restaurants

## FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

If you are interested in the Agricultural Economics program, please contact the Department of Business and Social Sciences.

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