AGRIBUSINESS REMINDERS AND HELPFUL HINTS –

Welcome to the Department of Agricultural Economics! Please be sure to carefully review the copy of your curriculum sheet that we have provided. Classes and requirements that you have already completed will have an “X” through the hours box, while the courses we suggest for you to take in the upcoming semester will have a dot by them (these courses are also listed on the back of your curriculum sheet).

We have also included the following “helpful hints” concerning your degree option:

- If you have not completed AGEC 105, you must take this course in the Fall 2019 semester.
- You are currently an Agribusiness Lower-Level student (AGBL). To become an Agribusiness Upper-Level student (AGBU), you must be classified as a Junior and have successfully completed the following list of courses: AGEC 217, ECON 202; ECON 203; ACCT 229; ACCT 230; and MGMT 211.
- Students MUST be classified as AGBU to take their upper-level classes: FINC 341, MGMT 321, MGMT 363, SCMT 303 and SCMT 364.
  
  *Tip: Although an AGBL student cannot take SCMT 303 until they have become upper-level (AGBU), you can opt to take STAT 303 or STAT 302 or STAT 301 to meet this requirement. These classes will provide an acceptable substitute for SCMT 303, and do not require upper-level status.

- AGEC 217: Space in AGEC 217 is limited and enrollment in the class will be based on a student’s classification. If AGEC 217 is not listed on the back of your curriculum sheet, it is unlikely that you will be placed in the class for the fall semester (students who will be taking AGEC 217 should look at Sections 904 or 905). Prerequisites for AGEC 217 are MATH 140 and MATH 142 (or their equivalents); ENGL 103 or 104; and AGEC 105. We will allow concurrent enrollment with AGEC 105 as long as you have completed either ECON 202 or ECON 203.
  
  *Tip: If you would like to request that AGEC 217 added to your fall schedule, please submit one of the paper force request forms available during the registration session.

- Please note that the class structure of AGEC 217 will change as of the Spring 2020 semester. If AGEC 217 is not completed in Fall 2019, students will be required to take AGEC 217 and AGEC 117 (1 hour) in later semesters.
  
  *Tip: For students who will not be taking AGEC 217 this fall, your degree sheet has been adjusted to show how AGEC 117 can be added to your degree.

- As a prerequisite for ECON 323 (which is a required class), ECON 202 must be completed with a grade of C or higher.
Prerequisites for AGEC 317 are: AGEC 217; ECON 323; and SCMT 303 (or STAT 303 or STAT 302 or STAT 303). You must successfully complete all of the prereqs for AGEC 317 prior to taking the course.

*Tip: Please note that AGEC 317 is a prerequisite for your capstone AGBU courses (AGEC 414, AGEC 430, AGEC 431, AGEC 440), and neither AGEC 317 or the capstone courses will be offered during the summer.

You must take two Directed Elective-International classes from the list found on pages 35 and 36 of your handbook. These Directed Elective-International courses will also satisfy the TAMU International and Cultural Diversity (ICD) requirement (if not already completed). A list of these courses can also be obtained online at: http://agecon.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/Directed-Electives-International.pdf

The Technical Agricultural Elective (Tech Ag Elective) is a 3 hour degree requirement that can be met with any class offered within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. For AGBU students, we will also accept an AGE class that is not already required on your degree plan to meet this requirement.

For a list of classes that meet a specific core curriculum requirement, please see core.tamu.edu.

Texas A&M has recently moved to a new curriculum for 2019; however, you have been kept in our “old” curriculum (which will be slightly different from the curriculum sheets listed in the current handbook). Here are the differences in hours distribution between the new and old curriculums:

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