

AGRICULTURAL LEADERSHIP

The Agricultural Leadership curriculum is guided by five core values: commitment to agriculture, authentic leadership, diversity, critical thinking, and professionalism. Agricultural Leadership faculty align course objectives, learning opportunities and student experiences with the five core values. Beginning students study historical and theoretical foundations in leadership, authentic leadership, and transformational leadership before exploring contemporary leadership issues, leadership program facilitation and current scholarship in the discipline. Specific topics within coursework include leadership styles, power, decision-making, ethical leadership, motivational theories, and team processes.

In addition to leadership coursework, the curriculum provides a broad introduction to the agricultural sciences and natural resources and allows students to develop an area of emphasis or pursue a minor in areas such as Animal Science, Soil Science or Agricultural Economics.

Minor in Leadership Education

The minor is designed to prepare students to serve as leaders in the context of their chosen major. Students develop an understanding of their leadership style and philosophy, acquire knowledge about leadership theories, explore contemporary issues in leadership, evaluate current leadership research and learn to design and facilitate leadership training. Requirements of the minor include 15 hours of leadership coursework.