

**Highland Community College Suggested Program of Study
Agricultural Economics (Associate in Arts)**

The Agricultural Economics program is a transfer program for students interested in a career in agriculture or agri-business.

Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hour
<u>Basic Skills</u>		
AB 114	Agriculture Orientation****	2
AB 227	Agriculture Microcomputers I*	3
ENG 101	College English I	3
ENG 102	College English II	3
MAT 104	College Algebra	3
SP 106	Public Speaking	3
	PE Elective	1
<u>Humanities</u>		
	Humanities Elective (e.g., philosophy, modern language, music, history)	9
<u>Social & Behavioral Science</u>		
BUS 203	Macroeconomics	3
PSY 101	General Psychology	3
SOC 101	General Sociology	3
<u>Natural & Physical Science</u>		
BS 101	College Biology**	5
PS 111	College Chemistry I***	5
<u>Electives</u>		
AB 108	Principles of Animal Science	3
AB 202	Agriculture Economics	3
AB 207	Fundamentals of Animal Nutrition	3
BUS 103	Accounting I	3
BUS 105	Accounting II	3
	Agriculture Electives (e.g., animal science, crop science, soils)	3

*Preferred course that satisfies the computer literacy requirement.

**Preferred course that satisfies the lab science requirement.

***Preferred course that satisfies the science elective requirement.

****Preferred course that satisfies the orientation requirement.

Potential Employment Applications of Degree

Agricultural economists study the way we use scarce farm resources such as land, raw materials, labor and machinery to provide goods and services. They analyze the results of their research to determine the costs and benefits of making, distributing, and using resources in a particular way. Their research might focus on topics such as energy costs, farm prices, or commodity imports.