



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Department of Agricultural  
Education and Communications

## M. S. — Agricultural Education

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### Master of Science in Agricultural Education

The master's degree is designed to prepare graduates for teaching, research, extension, leadership, and administrative positions in the public and private sectors. The on-campus program typically takes four semesters to complete. Students in the master's program focuses on a core of agricultural education courses along with an emphasis in designing educational/training programs, professional presentation enhancement, leadership development, teaching/training methods, and interpersonal communication. The Master of Science in Agricultural Education requires a minimum of 36 semester hours of graduate course work and has a thesis or non-thesis option. This specialization also allows students to complete the requirements of teacher certification while completing their master's degree program (if needed).

#### CURRICULUM (Minimum of 36 hours)

##### **Agricultural Education Core** (8-9 hours)<sup>1</sup>

AGED 5306 – *History and Philosophy of Agricultural and Extension Education*

AGED 7100 – *Graduate Seminar* (2 hours total required)

3-4 Elective hours reflective of career and professional goals

##### **Research Core** (12 hours)

AGED 5302 – *Research Methods and Analysis in Agricultural Education and Communications*

AGED 5312 – *Assessing Program Effectiveness in Agriculture and Extended Education* (3)

AGED 6000 – *Master's Thesis*

##### **Electives** (Choose 15-16 hours)<sup>2</sup>

ACOM 5307 – *Methods of Technological Change*

AGED 5001 – *Contemporary Issues in Agricultural & Extension Education* (V1-6)

AGED 5301 – *Special Problems* (previous topics have included)

- *Distance Education in Agricultural & Extension Education*
- *Youth Development*
- *Development and Management of Volunteer Programs*
- *Utilizing Media in Agricultural & Extension Education*

AGED 5304 – *Advanced Methods in Agricultural Leadership*

AGED 5305 – *Program Development in Agricultural and Extension Education*

AGED 5310 – *College Teaching in Agriculture*

AGED 5308 – *Foundations of Adult Education*

AGED 5309 – *Evaluation of Programs in Vocational, Technical, and Extension Education*

AGED 5311 – *Human Dimensions of International Agricultural Development*

AGED 5340 – *Educational Law*

AGED 5391 – *School and Community*

AGED 7000 – *Research* (V1-12)

AGED 7200 – *Professional Internship* (May be repeated for credit)

AGSM 5301 – *Investigations in Advanced Agricultural Mechanics*

<sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise noted, the second digit in the course number indicates the number of credits for the course.

<sup>2</sup> May take six (6) hours in a support area (9 hours if teacher certification)