Agricultural & Applied Economics (AAE) majors develop and use economic data and models to analyze and understand a wide range of issues—including environmental problems, world hunger, energy and climate change, business economics and finance, economic development, globalization and trade, biotechnology, land-use management, and community development. Students in this applied economics major will learn how to apply economic concepts to real-world situations. Course subjects include economics, environmental economics, managerial economics, financial management, commodities and futures markets, the global economy, development in Latin America, Africa, and Asia, cooperatives, international trade, climate change, and regulation.

AAE majors acquire the necessary skills to pursue careers in consulting, data analysis, government, business, international organizations, or non-profit organizations. AAE students who continue graduate studies, pursue a graduate degree in a broad range of disciplines, including economics, public policy, business, or law.

Recommended courses for exploring the major are

- AAE 215, Introduction to Ag & Applied Economics
- AAE 244, The Environment & the Global Economy
- AAE 246, Climate Change Economics & Policy
- AAE 350, World Hunger & Malnutrition
- AAE 352, Global Health: Economics, Natural Systems, & Policy

Students take 4 semesters of economics and 15 additional credits in AAE courses. All AAE majors complete the senior year Capstone project (AAE 500). Students may choose to select an area of concentration within the AAE courses: development economics, environmental economics, or managerial economics. Requirements and additional information on the Agricultural & Applied Economics major can be found in the Guide.

Students completing the Agricultural and Applied Economics major are awarded the bachelor of science degree.

To declare a major in Agricultural & Applied Economics, or for more information, contact the undergraduate advisor, Linda Davis. Appointments can be scheduled through Starfish.