The agricultural education major is designed to prepare students to teach agricultural education for grades 5-12. All graduates in Agricultural Education will complete a 12-week teaching internship to qualify for a Minnesota teaching license in grades 5-12 Agricultural Education and Coordinator of Work-Based Learning. When you pursue the agricultural education major at the U of M, you’ll be licensed and prepared to teach agriscience, agribusiness, animal science, horticulture, food science, agricultural mechanics, and natural resource science. You'll not only learn the foundations of education, but you’ll also do a year of student teaching.

The major requires a broad study of agriculture, including plant science (horticulture, agronomy, plant pathology, and entomology), animal science, natural resources, soils, economics and agribusiness, agricultural mechanization, food science, foundations of education, foundations of agricultural education, and two semesters of field experience.

While most graduates will pursue school-based Agricultural Education teaching positions in Minnesota or surrounding states, some may pursue related career paths with farms and ranches, commodity organizations, and government agencies.

**Student Experiences**

There are more than 900+ student groups that you can get involved in at the University of Minnesota. Specifically, our CFANS student groups are designed to
help you gain real-world experience and meet fellow students who share your interests.

Some groups that are popular with students in this major include:

- Agricultural Education, Communication & Marketing Club
- International Agriculture Club
- Gopher Dairy Club

**Study Abroad Options**

More than 250 study abroad programs in 70 countries are available to University of Minnesota students. Study abroad can offer a global perspective on your studies in agriculture. [Learn more about CFANS study abroad options.](#)

**Meet Our Alumni**

Stephanie Kasper (Owatonna, MN)

Agricultural Education-Leadership & Communications; Minor in Mass Communications
You might also explore

International Agricultural Minor  
Sustainable Agriculture Minor  
Business and Marketing Education  
Marketing  
Agricultural and Food Business Management  
Agricultural Communication and Marketing

Associated Careers

School-Based Agriculture Teachers, Extension Educators, Government Employees, Youth Outreach and Community Relations Coordinators, Researchers, Sales Representatives, Market Development Specialists