

PATHWAYS | POULTRY PRODUCTION

Bachelor of Science in Poultry Production



COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

COURSE SELECTION

FRESHMAN

- Acquaint yourself with poultry science. Recognize that poultry science builds upon the basic sciences. Discuss adding a minor with your faculty advisor.
- Gateway Courses: POUL 1000, CHEM 1030/1031 and CHEM 1040/1041

SOPHOMORE

- Discuss appropriate professional electives with advisor. Consider working on the poultry science farm or in a research lab for hands-on experience.
- Gateway Courses: BIOL 1020/1021, BIOL 1030/1031, CHEM 2030, POUL 3030

JUNIOR

- Junior year begins the regular progression of poultry science courses. Written and oral communication skills should be developing.
- Gateway Courses: BIOL 3200, BCHE 3200

SENIOR

- Complete remaining upper level poultry science courses. Refine communication skills. Students should be prepared to enter the poultry industry or graduate school with a skill set that will enable their success.
- Gateway Courses: POUL 5050, POUL 5080

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE

- Meet with your assigned faculty advisor each semester to discuss your major and academic plan.



Comer Hall, home of the College of Agriculture student advising.

- Academic Support provides several free resources to improve academic performance, including Study Partners, Supplemental Instruction and academic coaching. (auburn.edu/academic-support)

- Meet with a counselor in the Career Center to explore career options and receive individualized assistance.

- Work with the Career Center to update your resume and cover letter.

GAIN EXPERIENCE

- Check your "This Week on Ag Hill" and "Find Your Career" e-mails to learn about ways you can get involved and gain experience on campus.
- Consider traveling abroad. The college offers Study Abroad Scholarships to students studying abroad.
- Apply to the Ag Alumni Mentoring Program. Students get to take part in job shadowing opportunities, networking opportunities, and see first hand where your degree can take you.



- Use LinkedIn (linkedin.com/alumni) to identify past graduates in your major.
- Contact them to set up informational interviews and shadowing opportunities to gain further understanding of your major in the world of work.

- Pursue opportunities for an internship.
- Attend professional development events (Career Fairs, Etiquette Dinners, Workshops)

- Attend All Majors Career Expo (auburn.edu/career/events).
- Attend professional conferences and take part in industry tours.

GET INVOLVED

- Join the College of Agriculture Student Services Facebook page for college and major updates, and internship and job postings.
- The Poultry Science Club exposes students to the poultry industry and strengthens their relationships with departmental faculty and industry leaders.
- Volunteer! Seek out opportunities that cater to your interest and also challenge you to get out of your comfort zone.
- Utilize AUInvolve (auburn.edu/auinvolve) to identify organizations of interest, to attend meetings and enhance your resume.



- Attend the International Poultry Expo.
- Pursue leadership roles in your organization to exercise and enhance your skills.
- Gamma Sigma Delta is the Honor Society of Agriculture. The organization is dedicated to recognizing your academic achievements.

CAREER PLANNING

AUBURN UNIVERSITY CAREER CENTER

303 MARY MARTIN HALL | [AUBURN.EDU/CAREER](http://auburn.edu/career)

Poultry Production provides students with the technical background needed for careers in food safety, microbiology, food processing, product quality assurance and product development. The curriculum allows flexibility to develop expertise in an area of interest.

QUALITY ASSURANCE SUPERVISOR

MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.S.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$17.3K - \$65.0K

PRODUCTION SUPERVISOR

MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.S.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$35.0K - \$62.0K

FOOD SAFETY ANALYST

MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.S.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$20.0K - \$55.0K

These are just three options out of many that poultry production majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out "What Can I Do With a Major In..." on auburn.edu/career.



Mary Martin Hall, home of the Auburn University Career Center

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