

**Clarendon College**  
**Division of Agriculture**  
**AGRI 1131 The Agricultural Industry**  
**1 Semester Credit Hour**  
**Courson RFO building**  
**Wednesday 8:00- 8:50**  
**Fall 2023**

**Course Description:** An introductory course to the field of agriculture, nature of the industry, resource conservation, and the American agriculture system.

**Statement of Purpose:** To expose students to all areas of agriculture and discuss future employment opportunities.

**Course Objectives:**

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4. Guest speakers from four year universities will visit the class in an attempt to recruit are students to their respective universities.
5. A county agent will visit the class
6. A high agricultural science teacher will visit the class.
7. A feedlot manager will visit the class.
8. Students will learn how to develop resumes and cover letters.

**Attendance**

Due to the fact that this course meets once a week attendance is very important. After two unexcused absences students will be deducted ten points from their attendance grade per absence. For example, if a student had four unexcused absences they would be penalized twenty points.

**Potential Topics for class discussion: Term Paper (2-3 pages) will be selected from one of the following.**

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### **Agri-Marketing and International Agricultural Relations**

What steps can the agricultural industry take to ensure that the food supply remains safe?

What are the challenges of implementing a mandatory national animal ID program for the American rancher?

Should American policy makers support open agricultural trade with China? What role will American agriculture have on rebuilding the agricultural systems of Iraq?

### **Food and Fiber Systems**

What steps can row crop farmers take to reduce water consumption for growing crops?

What changes will wind energy and solar power have on the current food and fiber systems?

What role does the American Farmer and Livestock Producer play in agriterrorism?

What effects will the American recession have on production agriculture?

### **Urban Agriculture**

What new agricultural opportunities will arise from urbanization?

How can urban population activity engage in food production?

What effect are the urban agricultural science programs having on the future of agriculture?

### **Grades**

Attendance = 25% of grade

Resume/ Cover Letter = 25% of grade

Speech over career path = 25% of grade

Term Paper = 25% of grade

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