

# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION



## NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

The Master of Science in Agricultural Education prepares students for successful careers and a lifetime of informed choices in the global agriculture, food, fiber, and natural resources systems.



### DISTANCE LEARNING & EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING:

- Fully Online Degree Program
- Professional Licensure and Professional Service (Non Licensure) Options Available
- Course Work In a Variety of Areas
- International Emphasis - "Peace Corps. International"

### AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION FACILITIES:

- Smart Classrooms
- Survey Research Labs
- Agricultural Research Farm

### ADMISSIONS

For admissions requirements, please visit the Graduate School website

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### PROGRAM CONCENTRATIONS:

Agricultural Education at North Carolina A&T is comprised primarily of two major study tracks: Professional Licensure and Agricultural Professional Service. The Professional Licensure track prepares individuals to teach Agricultural Education in the secondary and middle school grades of the public school system. Additionally, students are prepared for other career sectors as outlined above. Upon successful completion of this study track, students are eligible for advanced North Carolina Licensure in the area of Agricultural Education. Students enrolled in the Agricultural Professional Service track are prepared for careers in agribusiness, government, and international agriculture.

Both tracks require the completion of 37 credit hours. Both tracks have a thesis and non thesis option. The program is very flexible allowing a student to design a plan of study to meet their personal and career goals. All courses in the program are currently offered totally online. Upon entering the program, all students must form a graduate committee that is charged with guiding the student's academic program. Additionally, students must complete a final comprehensive exam before graduation.

### FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Faculty in the Agricultural Education program annually pursue and obtain research funding from the United States Department of Agriculture, United States Department of Education, and other public and private organizations. A limited number of assistantships are available on a competitive basis. Financial assistance is based upon merit and availability of funds.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of the program find employment in secondary education, agribusiness industry, federal and state government, cooperative extension, higher education, rural and international development, and non profits. Some prominent employers include the United States Department of Agriculture, John Deere, Kraft, Cargill, and the North Carolina Public School System. Many of our graduates go on to pursue doctoral work at prestigious research universities such as Iowa State, The Ohio State, Purdue, Penn State, and Virginia Tech.

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