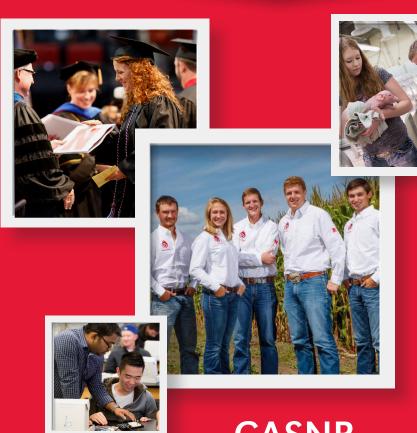
# New Student Enrollment PARENT HANDBOOK



### **CASNR**

College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources

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### **CASNR Brand Promise**

An unwavering dedication to the educational and personal success of students; and to preparing them with the scientific foundation, knowledge, experience and inspiration to make a profound and lasting impact in solving great challenges related to food production, energy, water, natural resources and communities.





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Dear Parents, Families and Friends:

The greatest challenges and opportunities that face our world are squarely positioned in the areas in which CASNR excels.

This is where your student's personal legacy begins.

Congratulations! You and your student have made a great choice by selecting the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL).

In a recent survey of some 500 CASNR students, a large majority rated their experience at CASNR very highly—especially noting the inclusiveness of the campus community; the close relationships with advisors, faculty and staff; and our strengths in academics.

At CASNR, we are focused on student success at every level—and it shows. Here are some highlights:

**CASNR strengths are in the areas the world needs most.** Food production, water quality and availability, energy, environmental stewardship, the viability of communities. If your student wants to be part of solving great challenges, making a lasting contribution and truly making a difference, there is simply no better place than CASNR to prepare and define one's role in the world.

**The leaders are here.** CASNR faculty are recognized nationally and worldwide—and CASNR alumni are in positions of leadership across the globe. CASNR prepares students with the knowledge and skills to take their place among high-performing colleagues in their career of choice. CASNR programs are recognized worldwide for innovation, quality and leadership.

**Science with a purpose.** Science is at the very core of CASNR. It's about groundbreaking research and discovery that are put to use in practical and important ways to solve great challenges and improve the human condition worldwide. At CASNR, students participate in that discovery. They can transform their passion and talent for science into solutions that the world is seeking.

An engaging, energizing educational experience. CASNR offers a wide range of unique opportunities for undergraduate research, entrepreneurship development, global experiences and collaborative relationships with faculty and fellow students. It all adds up to a robust and engaging educational experience that energizes and inspires our students.

**Students tend to stay—and succeed—at CASNR.** With 86% of students returning for their sophomore year after their first year on campus, CASNR exceeds the average national retention rate. (According to ACT, the average retention rate at a 4-year institution is under 70%!)

A job offer within six months of graduation. Guaranteed. That's our promise when your student completes the requirements of our unique Ensuring Your Future program. But it's a two-way street. We do our part to prepare students for employment in their degree area—and students are responsible for holding up their end of the bargain. See page 4.

### **INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Office of the Dean

Pathways to leadership provided at no cost. Through the Dean's Scholars in Experiential Leadership (DSEL) program, freshmen learn about the wide variety of leadership development opportunities available at CASNR—from internships to campus clubs, from undergraduate research opportunities to volunteerism. We strongly suggest that your student attend this non-credit (and free!) weekly seminar. See page 6.

### Your student may or may not be far from home. At CASNR, they will always be far from alone.

Even though CASNR is a relatively small college within the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, it can sometimes be tough to navigate the wide variety of university student services available—or to connect with someone who can help with an academic or personal situation. Our CASNR CARES program provides a single point of contact for parents, students, faculty and staff. If you ever have a question or concern about what's happening with your student, start with CASNR CARES. See page 7.

To help you stay updated on upcoming events and important deadlines in the College, we will be providing text message alerts throughout the year. We have found this form of communication to be very successful. If you would like to receive our text message alerts, please email your student's name, your name and cell phone number to casnr@unl.edu.

Worship centers and spiritual organizations. Your student is welcome to attend any of the 20 worship centers and spiritual organizations located within a mile of East Campus.

Scholarships and loans are widely available. Some 40% of CASNR students have college and/or departmental scholarships. There is also a loan program that accrues no interest while qualified students are in school. Contact the CASNR Dean's office for more information.

> "If you want to be engaged, if you want to be out there and you want to be one of the innovators finding the solutions to the big challenges of the future, here is your place to be. We will prepare students for that." - CASNR Faculty Member

We're pleased that you and your student have joined us—and we very much look forward to helping your student begin shaping their life story and building their personal legacy as they prepare for success in a world filled with opportunity.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Heng-Moss

Interim Dean

### Ensuring Your Future

Every CASNR graduate will receive at least one job offer within the first six months after graduation.

We guarantee it.\*



The typical person
entering the
workforce will have
as many as five or six
different occupations
by the time he or
she retires.

Source: Strong Interest Inventory Resource: Strategies for Group and Individual Interpretations in College Settings, 1995 At CASNR, we are so confident that our graduates are prepared for employment that we guarantee it through our *Ensuring Your Future* program.

Ensuring Your Future is a comprehensive approach to preparing CASNR graduates for their first position working in their chosen field. Ensuring Your Future is the only program of its type at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and the only one of its type among our peer institutions. See details on our guarantee below.

### CASNR does its part to get you ready for your career by:

- Preparing you as a professional by providing a strong academic background in the sciences while helping you transform your interests, talents and passions into a lifelong career. CASNR offers unique and valuable experiences through undergraduate research, internships, experiential learning, work experiences and international study. Students in CASNR graduate prepared to make a difference in their chosen field—and the world.
- Preparing you as a person and a leader through a wide range of organizations and experiences. You can match your personal and professional interests with a wide variety of clubs, volunteer opportunities and community projects. You'll develop skills in teamwork, planning, time management and collaboration that will serve you well in your career and in life.
- Preparing you for employment through CASNR's collaboration with UNL Career Services. In fact, CASNR has a Career Services office on East Campus to assist with parttime employment, internships, and after-graduation employment throughout your career.

Now you know what we'll do to get you ready for your career. Here's your part:

At CASNR, we expect students to take personal responsibility for their success in terms of academics, involvement, and gaining real-world experiences prior to graduation. We know that employers are looking for high-performing employees with skills in technology, collaboration, and human relations. Ensuring Your Future provides the opportunity to acquire and sharpen those skills while you are on campus.

### Academics

Academic performance is one of the first benchmarks employers consider. By focusing on course work—and working closely with your advisor—you can ensure that your education is a good match for the type of career field you want to enter.

- Meet with your assigned advisor at least **once per each semester** you are enrolled.
- Graduate with a cumulative 3.0 GPA out of 4.0.
- In consultation with your advisor, select elective courses that complement your personal or professional goals and/or declare an academic minor prior to the deadline for submitting the application for graduation.
- Complete CASNR Start Smart (AGRI 042). See page 7.
- Familiarize yourself with the **Undergraduate Bulletin** to be a sophisticated consumer of your education.
- Successfully complete the Employment Seminar course (AGRI/NRES 388) and Job Survival course (AGRI 400). See page 9.
- Complete the **Bachelor Degree Candidacy** before completing 89 hours.

### Involvement

Employers are looking for people with skills in teamwork, collaboration and leadership. CASNR offers plenty of opportunities in this regard, and you are bound to find a number of options that will interest you—and potential employers.

- Participate in at least one student organization (or student governance committee).
- Become a student member of a professional society or organization related to your degree program or professional interests.
- Participate in academic and service honoraries when invited. These include groups such as Alpha Zeta, Sigma Alpha, Gamma Sigma Delta, Mortar Board, Innocents and others.

"I get excited about working with the students.

The way I look at it is that
I'm training my future colleagues."

- CASNR Faculty Member

### Experience

Real-world experience in your chosen field can separate your resume from others when employers and graduate and professional programs are determining whom to interview. At CASNR, you can gain valuable experience and insight—and learn how to effectively communicate it to a potential employer.

- Complete at least **one internship** in your professional field.
- Complete at least one additional career experience with or without credit.
- Subscribe to Husker Hire Link (HHL) through Career Services while in college—and maintain current information on file.
- Maintain a resume file beginning with first semester—and prepare a new resume annually. Review it with the CASNR Career Specialist annually.
- Complete a minimum of three interviews through Career
   Services—at least two in the semester before your graduate.
- Attend a minimum of four CASNR Career Days.
- Identify and nurture relationships with three references (academic advisor, club advisor, employer, etc.) by the end of your junior year.
- Create a Canvas ePortfolio (professional website).
- Create a **LinkedIn** profile and connect to a professional organization.

### \*OUR GUARANTEE:

The College guarantees that any CASNR graduate who completes the *Ensuring Your* Future program and actively seeks employment will receive at least one job offer relevant to his or her academic program within the first six months after graduation. If you do not receive at least one employment offer, the College will pay for any course that is documented by an employer who interviewed you and found your degree program lacking critical elements. Career Services will administer an active resume referral service. post job openings, provide help with resume preparation, and prepare you for interviews with employers who are recruiting UNL students.



### Dean's Scholars in Experiential Leadership (DSEL)

A weekly freshman seminar that helps you hit the ground running in terms of leadership, involvement and success.

And it's free. Really. It's free. Experience and leadership are two key characteristics employers seek when hiring. Graduate schools and professional programs value the same characteristics. So CASNR has made it easy—and free—to discover your strengths, connect you with opportunities to develop your leadership skills, and provide the real-world experience you'll need to compete in your chosen career.

**Dean's Scholars in Experiential Leadership (DSEL)** is a weekly, non-credit seminar offered at no cost! Your only investment is your time and enthusiasm. It's a great way to meet fellow students, discover your individual interests and talents, and get involved in leadership development activities that will strengthen you academically and personally.

DSEL is hosted by Tiffany Heng-Moss, Interim Dean of CASNR, and Nicole Smith, the CASNR Student Development Coordinator. So in addition to learning about leadership opportunities, you also get to establish personal relationships with two key contacts at CASNR.

"They are really good about helping you break out of your bubble and really take full advantage of what college life has to offer."

- CASNR Alumnus

Through DSEL, you will discover your strengths and interests—and find ways to apply them. It might be through volunteer work, mentoring or participation in a club. Maybe an internship or undergraduate research project. Or through our partnership with a local elementary school.

DSEL introduces you to all the leadership and involvement choices on campus. There is simply no better way to get established at CASNR and start creating your personal legacy of leadership.

### As a participant in DSEL, you will:

- Develop a relationship with Iterim Dean Heng-Moss and Nicole Smith; make a connection to our college
- Become an active member in a CASNR Club
- Assist with at least one service learning project during the semester/Hartley Elementary partnership activities
- Learn your top five strengths from the Gallup StrengthsQuest Program and reflect how you can use your strengths in a group situation
- Become aware of leadership opportunities throughout the entire UNL Campus
- Involve yourself with an issue on campus that will have an impact on you
- Know that you are a valued member of the campus community
- Recognize your responsibilities and potential to give something of value to your community, and in doing so, achieve a sense of your potential happiness

Discover more by contacting:

### **Nicole Smith**

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The one place for students, parents, faculty and staff to start when there are questions or concerns.

### What happens if a student:

- Has a family or health emergency and can't attend class?
- Needs to connect with a UNL service, but doesn't know where to begin?
- Is struggling emotionally, academically or personally and needs to connect with someone who can help?
- Has trouble adjusting to college or being away from home?
- Just needs someone to talk to?

**CASNR CARES (Caring Attitudes and Respect for Every Student) is the first point of contact** for students, faculty, staff and parents when there are questions, concerns or situations that affect a student's educational experience at CASNR.

CASNR CARES is dedicated to helping students personally and individually. Each student's situation and personality are different—and so are the solutions.

All referrals are held in confidence. Parents: Remember that privacy guidelines and confidentiality standards may prevent us from sharing some of your student's information—even with you! (See page 17)

**Who initiates contact?** Anyone. It could be the student, a faculty or staff member, or a parent. It all starts with a call to the CASNR CARES office—and then our CASNR CARES coordinator puts the wheels in motion.

It might be simply arranging a visit with the student to see how things are going in the classroom or in life. Or it might involve introducing the student to campus resources and people who can help them navigate an academic or personal challenge.

### "It's really hard to not be successful with all the help and support you receive."

- CASNR Alumnus

CASNR CARES is one reason CASNR has such a high student retention rate. Students know where to go when they have questions or need help. Faculty and staff have a resource to guide students they believe need some assistance. Parents have a point person on campus to contact when necessary.

CASNR CARES: Another unique difference-maker that makes CASNR a very special experience.



CASNR Start Smart (AGRI 042) is an online, zero credit hour, orientation seminar that all freshman students will complete prior to the start of the fall semester. It is taken as pass/no pass and is a part of a university-wide initiative. This seminar is designed to help students successfully transition to the University by helping them to get a head start. The modules will focus on helping you to become orientated with CASNR, UNL, campus resources, and success tools. Components include how to navigate a syllabus, communicating effectively with faculty/staff, understanding the CASNR advising model, how to interpret a degree audit, academic integrity, and much more.

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(Caring Attitudes and Respect for Every Student)

The one place for students, parents, faculty and staff to start when there are questions or concerns.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Ensuring students are involved and feel comfortable the first few days of school is important. Research shows that the first six weeks are critical for retention.

Source: Schnell and Doetkott, 2003, p.377

## CASNR Education Abroad

It's a big world.

CASNR can introduce you to it.



### CASNR international education opens up a world of possibilities.

Most of the world's population lives outside the United States. And when it comes to food, energy and water, some of the greatest challenges and opportunities exist on other parts of the globe.

More and more U.S. business is being conducted in the global marketplace. At CASNR, you can acquire global experience that will make your resume stand out—and will expand your personal and professional perspectives.

CASNR offers a number of internationally focused opportunities including a wide range of education abroad programs. For example:

- Current students have done short-term study with CASNR-led trips to Australia, France, Spain, Benin, Botswana, Ethiopia, Namibia, New Zealand, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Greece, Argentina, China, England, Scotland, and Costa Rica.
- Through UNL and CASNR, you can attend any of 70 universities in 48 countries for intensive language and general study. CASNR offers scholarships (\$250 to \$1500) for education abroad.
- CASNR students are required to take at least one course with an international focus or perspective as part of their university ACE requirements. AGRI 282 "Introduction to Global Agriculture and Natural Resources" is a good example, since it relates international issues to Nebraska agriculture and resource stewardship.
- CASNR offers a minor in International Agriculture and Natural Resources, a flexible minor that allows you to align experiences and courses with your primary degree program. The CASNR Dean's staff will serve as your advisr on this minor.
- CASNR offers a global access travel grant that provides students with \$150 to apply against an Education Abroad experience. This grant is equivalent to the cost of a



### We do plenty of work to get you ready to work!

These courses are nuts-and-bolts "how to" courses that show you the ropes in terms of getting your first position in your new career—and surviving your first year.

### Employment Seminar (AGRI/NRES 388)

After graduation, it's all about getting that first job in your career. In this course, you'll learn new job search strategies and gain a greater understanding of the job market. Mock interviews with industry professionals will get you ready for the real thing. Discover how to make the most of career fairs and how to prepare an effective résumé and cover letter. You'll even learn proper dining and business etiquette.

- Eight-week course held Tuesdays from 4:00-5:50 p.m. each fall in the Nebraska East Union
- Open to all students and all class standings (Freshmen through Senior)
- One credit hour, pass/no pass

### Job Survival (AGRI 400)

### It's one thing to get your first job. It's another thing to thrive in it.

Taught by actual employers, "Job Survival" prepares you to be successful once you're in a company or organizational environment. You'll learn how to set yourself apart in terms of communication skills, involvement and engagement with your new employer. You'll also hear from CASNR graduates who have recently entered their careers.

The seminar also covers important basics such as handling credit, working on commission, relocation and housing, understanding employee benefit programs, and other fundamentals that will help you not just survive that first year on the job—but thrive!

- Seven-week course held Tuesdays from 4:00-5:50 p.m. each spring in 116 Chase Hall
- Open to all students, but at least sophomore standing preferred
- One credit hour, pass/no pass

### Experiential Learning (AGRI 496)

You have the internship, now what? This course will give you the opportunity to prepare for your internship or experiential learning opportunity as well as give you the confidence to hit the ground running on your first day. Learn about expectations directly from employers and CASNR faculty. Create learning outcomes that will ensure you meet your goals. Hear from past interns and learn how to turn an internship into a full-time job.

- A day and a half over winter break in the Nebraska East Union
- Open to all students who have an internship planned
- One or zero credit hour, pass/no pass

### Discover more by contacting:

### Julie Obermeyer

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Courses that can help you get that first job.

And thrive in it.





Currently 70-80
percent of available
positions are not
advertised. They
are in the "hidden"
job market.

Source: Caroline Francis, UK alumni

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall Semester 2018

Spring Semester 2019

# Fall Semester 2018 August 20 - December 14

| DATE  | EVENT   |
|---|---|
| August 20 (Mon.)                                | Late Registration begins (\$25.00 late registration fee assessed)                                       |
| August 20 (Mon.)                                | Fall Semester begins  |
| August 27 (Mon.)                                | Last day for late registrations and adds including adds of thesis or dissertation credits (Census Date) |
| August 27 (Mon.)                                | Last day to drop a full semester course and receive 100% refund   |
| August 31 (Fri.)                                | Last day to drop a full semester course and receive 75% refund  |
| August 31 (Fri.)                                | Last day to file a drop to remove course from student's record  |
| September 1 (Sat.) – November 9 (Fri.)          | All course withdrawals noted with a grade of "W"on academic record                                      |
| September 3 (Mon.)                              | Labor Day (Student and Staff Holiday - UNL offices closed)  |
| September 7 (Fri.)                              | Last day to withdraw from a full semester course and receive 50% refund                                 |
| September 12 (Wed.)                             | Last day to submit tuition and fees payment without penalty   |
| September 14 (Fri.)                             | Last day to withdraw from a full semester course and receive 25% refund                                 |
| September 28 (Fri.)                             | Final day to apply for a degree in December (\$25.00 fee due with application)                          |
| October 12 (Fri.)                               | Last day to change a course registration to or from "Pass/No Pass"                                      |
| October 15 – 16 (Mon. – Tues.)                  | Fall Semester Break (Student Holiday - UNL offices open)  |
| October 22 (Mon.) – November 7 (Tues.)          | Priority Registration for Spring Semester 2018  |
| November 7 (Wed.) 2017 – January 6 (Sun.) 2018  | Open Registration for Spring Semester 2018  |
| November 9 (Fri.)                               | Last day to withdraw from one or more courses for the term  |
| November 21 (Wed.)                              | Student Holiday (UNL offices open)  |
| November 22 – 25 (Thur. – Sun.)                 | Thanksgiving Vacation (UNL offices closed)  |
| December 3 –8 (Mon. – Sat.)                     | Last week of classes*   |
| December 8 (Sat.)                               | Last day of classes   |
| December 10-14 (MonFri.)                        | Fall Semester Final Exams - Final Exams Information   |
| December 15 (Fri.)                              | Fall Semester Graduate Commencement and Doctoral Hooding Ceremony                                       |
| December 14 (Fri.)                              | CASNR Salute to Graduates   |
| December 15 (Sat.)                              | CASNR Senior Send-off   |
| December 15 (Sat.)                              | Fall Semester Undergraduate Commencement  |
| December 24 (Mon.) 2018 – January 1 (Tue.) 2019 | Holiday Closedown (UNL offices closed)  |
|   |   |

# Spring Semester 2019 January 7 - May 3

| DATE   | EVENT   |  |
|--|---|--|
| October 22 (Mon.) – November 6 (Tues.) 2018  | Priority Registration for Spring Semester 2018  |  |
| November 7 (Wed.) 2017–January 6 (Sun.) 2018 | Open Registration for Spring Semester 2018  |  |
| December 1 (Fri.) 2017                       | Last day to apply for undergraduate admissions  |  |
| anuary 2 (Wed.)                              | First day UNL offices are open in 2018  |  |
| anuary 7 (Mon.)                              | Late Registration begins (\$25.00 late registration fee assessed)                                       |  |
| anuary 7 (Mon.)                              | Spring Semester begins  |  |
| anuary 21 (Mon.)                             | Martin Luther King Day (Student and Staff Holiday - UNL offices closed)                                 |  |
| anuary 15 (Tues.)                            | Last day for late registrations and adds including adds of thesis or dissertation credits (Census Date) |  |
| anuary 14 (Mon.)                             | Last day to drop a full semester course and receive 100% refund   |  |
| anuary 18 (Fri.)                             | Last day to drop a full semester course and receive 75% refund  |  |
| anuary 18 (Fri.)                             | Last day to file a drop to remove course from student's record  |  |
| anuary 19 (Sat.)–April 5 (Fri.)              | All course withdrawals noted with a grade of "W" on academic record                                     |  |
| anuary 25 (Fri.)                             | Last day to withdraw from a full semester course and receive 50% refund                                 |  |
| anuary 25 (Fri.)                             | Final day to apply for a degree in May (\$25.00 fee due with application)                               |  |
| ebruary 1 (Fri.)                             | Last day to withdraw from a full semester course and receive 25% refund                                 |  |
| ebruary 12 (Tues.)                           | Last day to submit tuition and fees payment without penalty   |  |
| March 1 (Fri.)                               | Last day to change a course registration to or from "Pass/No Pass"                                      |  |
| March 4 (Mon.) – May 19 (Sun.)               | Open Registration for Summer Sessions 2018 begins   |  |
| March 17–24 (Sun.–Sun.)                      | Spring Vacation (UNL offices are open Monday through Friday)  |  |
| March 25 (Mon.)–April 9 (Tues.)              | Priority Registration begins for Fall Semester 2018   |  |
| April 5 (Fri.)                               | Last day to withdraw from one or more courses for the term  |  |
| April 13 (Sat.) – April 20 (Sat.)            | CASNR Week  |  |
| April 22 (Mon.)–April 27 (Sat.)              | Last week of classes*   |  |
| April 27 (Sat.)                              | Last day of classes   |  |
| April 29 (Mon.) – May 3 (Fri.)               | Spring Semester Final Exams-Final Exams Information   |  |
| May 3 (Fri.)                                 | Spring Semester Graduate Commencement and Doctoral Hooding Ceremon                                      |  |
| May 3 (Fri.)                                 | CASNR Salute to Graduates   |  |
| May 4 (Sat.)                                 | CASNR Senior Send-off   |  |
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\*Faculty please see the 15th Week Policy regarding the last week of classes.

Academic calendars are subject to change without notice. The University reserves the right to revise or change rules, charges, fees, schedules, courses, requirements for degrees, and other regulations affecting students including, but not limited to, evaluation standards, whenever considered necessary or desirable. The University reserves the right to cancel any course for insufficient registration and to phase out any program. Registration by a student signifies an agreement to comply with all regulations of the University.



### CASNR Degree Programs

Regardless of the CASNR program you choose, you are assured of:

- A science-based education focused on preparing you to take on critical issues that face our planet and begin to shape your personal legacy in your field of choice.
- Highly qualified faculty who are known around the world for their contributions to their fields.
- The opportunity for hands-on experiences, undergraduate research, service learning and civic engagement, internships and close working relationships with faculty.
- A personal and engaging educational experience that helps you develop as a professional, a leader and an individual

50 percent of those who declare a program change programs— many doing so two to three times during their college years

Source: msnbc.com 2005 article

# Here are the CASNR programs preparing today's students for tomorrow's great challenges:

CASNR programs have been credentialed as unique Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees.

### **Agribusiness**

A powerful combination of agriculture and food system courses at CASNR—along with business courses taken in the College of Business Administration. Agriculture is the cornerstone of the program, enhanced with decision-making, management and strategic skills required in today's global marketplace. There is plenty of opportunity to connect with agribusiness leaders—and to choose courses that prepare you for your specific career interests.

### **Agricultural Economics**

Understanding the "numbers" of agriculture is critical to decision-making, performance and profitability, whether it's in world trade, agribusiness marketing, risk management, ag policy development, commodity marketing, ag lending or managing an agricultural enterprise. Options are available in Farm and Ranch Management, Public Policy, Quantitative Analysis and General Ag Economics.

### **Agricultural Education**

Agriculture needs inspiring teachers and leaders—and this is where they come from. You'll develop the technical skills and gain the real-world experience you need to share your enthusiasm and knowledge with others—either in the classroom or as a leadership or training professional in agribusiness. You'll be exposed to the diversity and breadth of agriculture and learn how to pass that understanding along to others.

### **Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Communication**

Prepare for a career in communication, advocacy, and public service in the agricultural, natural resources and environmental science disciplines. You'll be prepared to communicate valuable information to a variety of audiences to engage in public discussions related to food, fuel, water, landscapes and people. Choose courses in agriculture, natural resources and environmental science and learn how to combine that knowledge with world-class communication skills to pursue a career that ignites your passion. Acquire the core competencies of professional communicators and the strategies most effective in communicating complex and technical information to a variety of audiences.

### Agronomy

Agronomists help develop and grow the plants and design integrated systems that the world will need for its food, fuel, and fiber. They manage soil to enhance its quality for multiple uses from crop production to storing water and carbon. Careers can be found working with crop producers, in sales of agronomic products, in laboratories, with state or federal agencies, and in international agricultural development. Options within the degree program can specialize your education to best prepare you for any of these dynamic careers and more.

### **Animal Science**

Study animals and their contributions to our health, nutrition, economic success and overall quality of life. You'll get the basics in animal biology, nutrition, physiology, reproduction and ethical management. Then you can focus on animal biology, animal production and management, business, companion animal science, equine sciences, meat science or veterinary animal sciences. Graduates are on the job in production animal agriculture, agribusiness, animal nutrition, food processing, and animal care.

### **Applied Climate Science**

Climate impacts society as well as agricultural and natural resource systems. You can explore trends in climate and learn to forecast major long-term change while networking with nationally and internationally recognized faculty and staff. You can also gain hands-on experience with climate-oriented centers on campus as you prepare for a career in agribusiness, environmental consulting, planning, and governmental agencies.

### **Applied Science**

An extremely flexible and diverse program that allows you to choose more than 50% of the courses you take as electives, so you can tailor your degree to your career goals. Your course work is centered on science, agriculture and natural resources with a wide range of options including ecology, food genetics, entrepreneurship, economics, policy, animal science, and plant science. Or combine a number of these disciplines to create a unique degree that gets you where you want to go.

### **Biochemistry**

Study chemical reactions within a living cell—the molecules that make up life and how living things work. Biochemistry is needed to develop medicines, new foods and other innovations required to feed and fuel the world. Many students conduct research in faculty labs and have contributed to solutions in disease, plant engineering, biofuel development and other key areas. Graduates have entered a wide range of careers from healthcare to agriculture.

### **Environmental Restoration Science**

Ecosystems damaged by human impact or natural causes create complex challenges that require a holistic understanding of soil, water, regulations, wildlife habitat, toxicology and restoration and recovery strategies. If you're interested in "saving the planet," consider this program which combines classroom science and in-field study with options in Soil Science or Lake and Stream Restoration.

### **Environmental Studies**

Human impact on the environment, climate change, access to water, conservation of resources and ecosystems, and sustainability are critical concerns on both a local and global scale. This holistic, broad-based program combines physical, biological and social sciences with cross-interdisciplinary study. When you graduate, you'll be ready to make a difference so that future generations have adequate resources and a healthy environment.

### **Fisheries and Wildlife**

Conserving and managing habitat and populations of wildlife—fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals—is the focus of this program. In-the-field work helps you apply concepts in hydrology, statistics, biology, ecology, and geospatial information science to formulate strategies and make decisions that have a profound effect on the biodiversity of our planet. A passion for the outdoors is a prerequisite for this program.

### **Food Science and Technology**

Join the industry that helps ensure a safe, nutritious and wide variety of food choices for consumers. Combining biological sciences, physical science, food science, math and social sciences, this program covers it all—from commodity processing to quality assurance to food chemistry to packaging. Technical electives allow you to focus on specific interests such as food engineering, product development and processing plant management.

### **Food Technology for Companion Animals**

From dogs and cats to birds and reptiles, companion animals have specific nutritional and physiological requirements. This unique program combines Food Science and Animal Science courses and can prepare you for areas such as research, product development, quality assurance, product safety and other careers in a high-growth global industry.

### Forensic Science

Forensic science is the application of science and technology to facilitate justice for all members of society. Turn your natural curiosity and observational skills into a rewarding career. Three primary options are available: Forensic Biology is an introduction to forensic serology and DNA techniques currently used in operational crime laboratories. Crime Scene Investigation prepares you to collect, preserve, and interpret physical evidence and conduct a forensic investigation. Forensic Chemistry focuses on techniques used for chemical analysis of forensically important materials and non-biological evidence.

### **Grassland Ecology and Management**

Learn to manage and sustain private and public grasslands through integrated study of soil and water, wildlife, rangelands, geospatial technologies, and natural resources policy and economics. The program provides a strong background in plant and physical sciences as well as ecology, natural resources and in-the-field experiences that prepare you for work with federal and state agencies, private conservation groups, and other organizations responsible for managing diverse grasslands.

### **Grazing Livestock Systems**

An integrated systems approach to the management of foragebased livestock production. The program combines forage and range science, animal science and management economics to provide a strong foundation for decision-making and long-term stewardship of grazing operations. The emphasis is on production systems that optimize economic returns while properly managing livestock and natural resources.

### **Horticulture**

Study the art and science of growing plants such as fruits, vegetables, flowers, trees, shrubs and ornamental grasses to sustain human diets and our living environment. This field typically requires more intensive management than large-scale agronomic production. You can choose an emphasis in landscape design, entrepreneurship, sustainable food production, plant science or horticulture crop production.

### Hospitality, Restaurant and Tourism Management

Every hotel, convention center, food service, and tourism organization needs talented, energetic and people-oriented professionals. You might want to open your own restaurant or bed and breakfast. Offered jointly through CASNR and the College of Education and Human Sciences, this Bachelor of Arts degree program offers options in food and beverage, lodging, convention and meeting planning, and tourism.

### **Insect Science**

The study of the most abundant creatures on earth. Insects have a direct effect on our ability to produce food, maintain biological diversity and maintain the overall health of plants, animals and humans. From integrated pest management for crop protection to public health concerns to crime scene investigation to environmental issues, this program provides a variety of options to match your interests and career path.

### **Integrated Science**

This individualized program allows you to design your own degree program to pursue academic and professional goals in concentration areas not available. You will receive guidance from a faculty advisory committee, and will select courses across many concentration areas to create a customized and interdisciplinary program of study.

### **Mechanized Systems Management**

If you like working with machinery and technology, this is your program. Includes hands-on course work in power and machinery systems, processing and handling, and sensors and controls combined with business and agriculture courses to manage equipment systems in a variety of industries related to food, fuel and water. Equipment testing, plant operations management, technical support and product marketing are just a few career possibilities for students in this program.

### Microbiology

Microbiology looks at how microbes affect human and animal health, our environment, food technology and safety, and the biotechnology industry. The vast amount of science course work serves as excellent preparation for many careers as well as veterinary and medical programs.

### **Natural Resource and Environmental Economics**

This program is focused on the business side of natural resources—the legal, political, economic and social aspects of managing our land, water and air. You'll assess public policy governing issues such as logging, mining, habitat restoration, agricultural production, industry and recreational use. This program combines work in agricultural economics with courses in the School of Natural Resources to create a dynamic educational experience in a fast-growing career area.

### **Plant Biology**

Learn about plants at every level—molecular, cellular, organismal, systemic and ecological—in a discipline directly related to food, feed, fuel and fiber. You might also get involved with horticultural and ornamental plants. A degree in Plant Biology can qualify you for a wide range of careers including plant breeding, genetic engineering, plant research, field biology, horticulture, and more. You can choose an emphasis of Biotechnology or Ecology and Management, and tailor your course work to align with your talents and interests.

### **PGA Golf Management**

One of the nation's few golf management programs accredited by the Professional Golfers' Association (PGA) of America. Graduate and become a card-carrying PGA Member eligible to be a teaching professional, golf course manager, tournament director, coach or sales representative within the golf industry. Learn the management side of the business of golf, improve your playing skills, and enjoy great internships across the nation. Turn the game you love into a career you love!

### **Turfgrass and Landscape Management**

You could be responsible for maintaining the health and appearance of a public garden, golf course, sports field, or residential and commercial lawns and grounds. It takes an understanding of design intent and client expectations, water, plants, soils, and landscape pests and disease, as well as business, people and time management skills—exactly the education you receive in this program. Two options are available: Turfgrass Management or Landscape Management.

### **Veterinary Science**

A bachelor's degree in veterinary science provides a broad, science-focused education for a career in veterinary research, animal health or diagnostics. You'll study microbiology, virology, pathology, immunology, toxicology, biochemistry and other disciplines related to the health and care of diverse animal species. Prepare for admission to any veterinary school that is accredited by the American Veterinary Medicine Association (AVMA).

### **Veterinary Technology**

This program is designed for licensed veterinary technicians who want to further their careers by completing their bachelor's degree in veterinary technology. Students earning their bachelor's degree through this program must also earn an associate of applied science degree (AAS) from an American Veterinary Medical Association-accredited program and pass the licensing exam. (UNL does not offer the AAS degree.)

### **Water Science**

Water seems pretty basic, but the science, policy and management of water are increasingly complex. You'll analyze the wide range of demands on water resources from irrigation and industry to recreation to wildlife, how competing interests are affecting the quantity and quality of surface and ground waters and the ecosystem benefits they provide. If you're interested in the management of surface and groundwater resources, policies affecting its use and the sustainability of this precious resource, this program is for you.

### PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

### **Pre-Veterinary Medicine**

If you are interested in a career in animal health, you should begin in the Pre-Veterinary Medicine (Pre-Vet) program. Select the best undergraduate program for you as you prepare for admission to any graduate program or veterinary school that is accredited by the American Veterinary Medicine Association (AVMA).

### **General CASNR**

Designed for students who want to obtain a bachelor's degree from CASNR, but are deciding on a specific degree program. Enrolling in this program allows you to benefit from CASNR education and experience while you determine your specific degree path.

### 2018 CASNR Week Highlights

This year was the inaugural year for the Steve and Jessie Waller CASNR Awards Luncheon. It was attended by 125 students, faculty and staff to recognize the successes of our community.

### Award recipients were:

Outstanding Student Organization: CASNR Advisory Board Outstanding Student Organization Officer: Kailey Conway Outstanding Student Organization Member: Cam O'Connor Student Leadership: Catherine Jones

Outstanding Graduate Student Organization: Agronomy and Horticulture Graduate Student Organization

Outstanding Graduate Student Leadership: Zac Warren

Outstanding Teaching: Don Lee

Superior Academic Advisor: Gina Matkin
Outstanding Staff Member: Marsha Yelden
Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Assistant: Lauren Hoag
and Morgan Leefers

### Additional highlights include:

- More than 600 came to the Lunch on the Lawn hosted by the Animal Science department
- Over 100 children and their families attended Community
   Night hosted by the School of Natural Resources
- More than 500 came to the Ice Cream Social at the Dairy Store hosted by the Food Science and Technology department
- Agronomy and Horticulture provided popcorn on campus
- For the Blood Drive, 46 donors contributed 37 units



## CASNR Clubs, Student Organizations, Fraternities, Residence Halls, and Honorary Groups casnr.unl.edu/clubs-organizations

You can get involved in a wide range of clubs, activities and organizations that match your personal and career interests. These are great resume builders!

- African Student Association
- Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow
- Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness Club
- Agricultural Economics
   Graduate Student Association
- Agricultural Education Club
- Agronomy Club
- Agronomy and Horticulture Graduate Student Association
- Alpha Gamma Nu
- Alpha Gamma Rho
- Alpha Gamma Sigma
- Alpha Zeta
- American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers
- ASUN Senators
- Big Red Chapter of Pheasants Forever
- Biochemistry Club
- Biomedical Engineering Society
- Block and Bridle Club
- CASNR Advisory Board
- CASNR Week Program Council
- Christian Veterinary Fellowship

- Crops Judging Team
- East Campus Residence Hall Association of Resident Members
- Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship Club
- Equestrian Club
- Farm House
- FFA Alumni Association
- Food Science Club
- Forensic Science Club
- Global Agriculture Club/International Association of Students in Agricultural and Related Sciences
- Horticulture Club
- Husker Bass Anglers
- Insect Science Club
- Justin Smith Morrill Scholars
- Large Animal Veterinary Medical Club
- Love Memorial Hall Cooperative
- Mechanized Systems Management Club
- National Agri-Marketing Association (NAMA)
- No Kill Advocacy Club
- PGA Golf Management Club
- Pi Alpha Xi

- Pre-Veterinary Club
- Ouarter Scale Tractor Club
- Range Management Club
- Rodeo Association
- School of Natural Resources
   Graduate Student Association
- Sigma Alpha
- Soil and Water Resources Club
- Soil Judging Team
- Students for Education in Exotic and Companion Animals (SEECA)
- Sustain UNL
- Tractor Restoration Club
- UNL College of Law Student Animal Legal Defense Fund
- UNL Collegiate Farm Bureau
- UNL Turf Club
- Wildlife Club
- Veterinary Business Management Association
- Zoo, Exotic, Wildlife and Companion Animal Veterinary Medicine Club

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### Student Records Policy

The student records policy at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is in compliance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act.

### I. Kinds of Information Maintained About Students

### A. Academic Information

- All records and documents pertaining to a student's academic standing and progress are maintained in the student's cumulative academic folder, (e.g., admissions application, high school transcript, semester grade reports, cumulative academic records, etc).
- Cumulative files containing academic information are maintained by the Office of Registration and Records, by some college offices (students should inquire at their dean's office), by some faculty advisors, by some academic departments in which a student has his/her major and by the Office of International Educational Services (for international students).

### II. Who Has Normal Access to These Files

### A. Academic Information

Faculty advisors, college deans, departmental chairperson, financial aid, registration and records personnel and counselors or advisors in offices where academic information is maintained would normally have access to academic files. Other university personnel have access to academic information only for purposes related to their educational function and/or job responsibilities. Persons and agencies outside the university have access to academic information only with the written consent of the student. This applies to parents as well.

(The above is an excerpt from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Undergraduate Bulletin)

### Travel Policy for CASNR Undergraduate Student Organizations

Approved May 11, 2009

Recognizing that student travel is an integral part of the learning experience, CASNR is committed to encouraging travel by student organizations, while caring about students' overall welfare.

Scope: This policy applies to all undergraduate student travel in regard to activities of CASNR-affiliated recognized student organizations. The policy is supplemental to the University's General Travel Policy, which is the baseline policy governing student travel, including course-related travel, student employee travel, travel by student organizations, and students who are traveling on behalf of the University. Information on use of departmental funds to pay for student trip expenses and other student travel matters can be found at: http://bf.unl. edu/travelpolicy/GeneralTravelInformation.shtml. Students participating in study abroad programs must comply with the policies and requirements of the Office of International Affairs with respect to their travel.

### Requirements:

- Approved advisor. Students must be accompanied on their travel by an advisor who is at least 21 years of age and approved to serve in this capacity by the unit administrator prior to departure.
- File and submit required travel forms. The organization must complete and file a travel insurance form in advance of any travel. Submit the completed insurance form to the Office of Student Involvement.
- 3. Information Release Form. The Information Release Form authorizes the sponsoring department and/or CASNR Dean's Office to release trip-related information to contacts designated on the form.

### Additional information

- Student eligibility: Students must be in good academic standing (GPA of 2.0 or above), not on probation stemming from academic performance or student conduct issues, and with no outstanding financial obligations to the university to be eligible to participate. The student organization's faculty advisor can obtain this information.
- Student conduct: Students must abide by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Student Code of Conduct as described in the undergraduate student bulletin (www.unl.edu/unlpub/ undergrad/index.shtml).
- Renting a university vehicle: If the travel involves renting a vehicle from the university, policies and procedures can be found at: http://transportation.unl.edu/. The form for renting a vehicle is http://busfin.unl.edu/transportation/rent.html.

**Student travel supported with CASNR funds:** Student clubs and organizations receiving travel funds from CASNR must satisfy the following additional requirements:

- Submit a travel itinerary form and information release forms.
   A travel itinerary form and information release forms must be completed and filed with the sponsoring department office(s) and CASNR Dean's Office at least one week before departure. Complete contact information for the approved travel advisor must be provided on the travel itinerary form. The travel advisor will be directly responsible for supervising students and their activities.
- Submit a summary of student learning outcomes.
   A brief summary (200 words) of the trip, including its purpose and the learning outcomes that resulted from the travel experience must be submitted to the CASNR Dean's Office within 2 weeks of returning to campus.

### CASNR Details

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# College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources

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**Requirements for Graduation** CASNR grants a diverse array of Bachelor of Science degrees and one Bachelor of Arts degree. Students must complete the CASNR core courses and the specific courses required for each degree program, while maintaining a minimum of 2.0 cumulative grade point average to meet graduation requirements.

**Dual Degrees from CASNR** Students in CASNR may earn dual bachelor degrees. They must complete all requirements for both degrees.

**Dual Matriculation from CASNR and other UNL Colleges** Students in other colleges may earn a bachelor's in programs from CASNR and a degree from another UNL college. CASNR students may also receive a dual degree from another UNL college. Students will need to consult with both colleges to ensure all requirements are satisfied.

**Transfer Credit** No more than 90 semester hours of credits from a four-year institution or another UNL college can be applied toward a bachelor degree. A maximum of 60 hours may be transferred from a two-year college. Students must complete at least 30 of the total hours for their degree using UNL credits. At least 18 of the 30 credit hours must be in courses offered through CASNR¹ (>299) including the appropriate ACE 10 degree requirement or an approved ACE 10 substitution offered through another UNL college and excluding independent study regardless of number of hours transferred. Credit earned during education abroad may be used toward the residency requirement if students register through UNL and participate in prior-approved education abroad programs. UNL open enrollment and summer independent study courses count toward residence.

'Includes courses taught by CASNR faculty through interdisciplinary prefixes (e.g., LIFE, MBIO, ENVR, SCIL, EAEP, HRTM, ENSC) and CASNR cross listed courses taught by non-CASNR faculty.







CASNR accepts no more than 10 semester hours of grades below a C transferred from colleges outside the University of Nebraska system. Grades of a C- or below can only be applied to free electives. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of C (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) and a minimum C average in the last semester of college enrollment at the student's originating institution.

**Applying for a Degree** Students must file an Application for Graduation early in the semester in which they intend to graduate. Applications for Graduation may be submitted electronically via MyRED.

**University of Nebraska–Lincoln Scholarships and Financial Aid** The Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid (OSFA) administers a variety of federal and state financial assistance programs. The university's scholarship program recognizes exceptional academic talent and ability. State and federal aid is awarded on the basis of financial need.

In applying for financial aid, applicants need not limit their request to a specific grant or form of aid. Many students qualify for a combination of scholarships and need-based assistance. For more information about any aspect of financial aid, see the OSFA website at www.unl.edu/scholfa/ or call 402.472.2030. The toll-free number is 800.742.8800, Ext. 2030.

**CASNR Scholarships** The Upperclass Scholarship Application located on the OSFA website is the only form that must be completed to be eligible for most scholarships in CASNR. Currently enrolled students must submit this application prior to February 1. Most units also have scholarships available to students within their degree programs.

**Dean's List** Each semester, students having 12 semester graded hours with a grade point average of 3.750 or above are eligible for the Dean's List.

**Advising** Each student in CASNR is assigned an advisor appropriate to their academic program. The advisor will assist the student in planning the student's career and completing an academic program. Students can change their advisors in the Dean's Office, 103 Agricultural Hall.

**Student Class Standing** Student class standing is determined by number of credits completed.

- 1-26 credit hours are classified as Freshmen
- 27-52 credit hours are Sophomores
- 53-88 credit hours are Juniors
- 89 or more credit hours are Seniors

**Withdrawal from UNL** If a student wishes to withdraw completely from the University (drop all courses taken in a semester), before the <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> point in the term, the student may access MyRed on myred.unl.edu (drop all of your classes), or process a "Cancellation/Withdrawal Form" at 107 Canfield Administration Building, 402.472.3635. After the <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> point, the student will have to petition for late withdrawal. Forms are available in the Dean's Office, 103 Agricultural Hall.

**Dropping an Individual Course** If a student wishes to withdraw from one or more courses while remaining enrolled in other courses at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln, the student may access MyRed on http://myred.unl.edu, or pick up a "Schedule Adjustment Form" at the Dean's Office, 103 Agricultural Hall. Tuition and fees will be assessed according to the drop date. After the <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> point in the semester, students must petition for late withdrawal. Forms are available in the Dean's Office.

**Transfer Credit from International Institutions** Credit for courses taken at international universities and colleges will be transferred only after validation by the appropriate departments. This evaluation may include questioning of the student regarding subject matter studied at the outside institution.

Normally, credit is not given for pre-university work. In some instances, it may be possible to receive credit through satisfactory examination, such as Advanced Placement.

University of Nebraska–Lincoln students wanting to transfer credit from international institutions should have courses preapproved through the UNL Academic Transfer Coordinator, JoAnn Moseman, at 402-472-9455.

Joint Academic Transfer Programs CASNR has agreements with several institutions to support joint academic programs. The transfer programs include dual degree programs and cooperative degree programs. Dual degree programs offer students the opportunity to receive a degree from a participating institution and also to complete requirements for a bachelor degree. Cooperative programs result in a single degree from either UNL or the cooperating institution.

A to B (Associate to Bachelor) Programs The A to B Program, a joint academic program offered by CASNR and participating two-year institutions, allows students to complete the first two years of a degree program at the participating community or technical college and continue their education and study in degree programs leading toward bachelor degrees.

The A to B Program provides a basic knowledge plus specialized course work in a degree program. Students completing the A to B programs transfer into CASNR with junior standing.

Depending on the transfer college, students enrolled in the A to B Program may complete the requirements for an Associate of Science or Associate of Applied Science degree, transfer to UNL, and work toward a Bachelor of Science degree.

Participating two-year colleges and campuses include:

- Central Community College
- Metropolitan Community College
- Mid-Plains Community College
- Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture
- Northeast Community College
- Southeast Community College
- Western Nebraska Community College

We have 2+2 programs with:

- Chadron State College, Chadron, NE
- Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA
- University of Nebraska at Kearney, Kearney, NE
- University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE
- Wayne State University, Wayne, NE

We have 3+1 programs with:

- Chadron State College, Chadron, NE
- Wayne State University, Wayne, NE

### **UNL** Alert

Instant notification in a campus emergency for students and parents. UNL Alert is a system that sends messages to designated devices and addresses should a potential emergency arise on campus. UNL Alert is available to both students and parents.

This system is designed to facilitate early notifications to help keep the university community even safer. Alert messages can be sent to your mobile phone, home phone, email addresses and via SMS text messaging. A total of five devices can be alerted including the student's and parents' numbers.

### How to Sign Up for UNL Alert

- 1. Visit emergency.unl.edu/unlalert
- 2. Click the **Register** button at the top of the screen.
- 3. Enter your student's NU ID number and his/her date of birth.
- 4. Click the **Edit Contact Info** button at the top of the screen.
- 5. In the **Device Type** column, use the dropdown menu to select the type of device by which you want to receive alerts. If you want to receive text messages, select "SMS."
- 6. In the **Device Address** column, enter the phone number or email address to which you want alerts sent. NOTE: When entering phone numbers, start with the three-digit area code and enter the number without using any dashes or spaces.

**Discovery Corps** The purpose of this program is to provide students in CASNR the opportunity to actively participate in structured, meaningful, on-going research in a one-on-one relationship with a CASNR faculty member/mentor. Students must submit an application consisting of a description of intended research activities with learning objectives and outcomes to a CASNR faculty member/mentor. The research will be short-term (5 to 8 weeks), and the students will register for a one (1) credit hour class. Financial support for the research activity may be provided by the CASNR Dean's Office. With a positive experience, the successful completion of this experience should position the student/mentor to pursue Undergraduates in Creative Activities and Research Experience (UCARE) funding.

### **CASNR** Ambassadors

CASNR Ambassadors are the "student face" of CASNR when it comes to working with new students and parents—and representing CASNR at functions both on-campus and in the community.

To be considered for a role as a CASNR Ambassador, you must have sophomore standing as of January 1 of each year and a minimum 3.0 GPA. To apply, contact Sue Ellen Pegg at 402.472.0615 or spegg2@unl.edu.

### 2018-19 CASNR AMBASSADORS

Kensie Burnside, Stapleton, NE, Agricultural Education

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Matthew Morton, Newhawka, NE, Agricultural and Enivronmental Sciences Communication

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Kathleen Roth, Deshler, NE, Veterinary Science

Nevada Smith, Ashland, NE, Food Science and Technology

Samantha Teten, Johnson, NE, Agronomy







### **Undergraduate Honors Student Research Program**

This program will support qualified junior or senior students in the Honors Program working with the Agricultural Research Division scientists to conduct research in agriculture, biology, human resources and natural resources. This competitive grant program will also acquaint students with the scientific method, provide strong research and learning experiences, stimulate interest in teaching and research careers and inform students about the opportunities in graduate study.

Justin Smith Morrill Scholars Justin Smith Morrill authored the Morrill Act in 1862 establishing Land-Grant universities across the nation. His vision and commitment provided the foundation for public higher education as we know it today. Consequently, to honor his vision and his legacy, CASNR has developed a four-year program for undergraduate students who are interested in advancing the public good through social and civic responsibility.

Morrill Scholars will be developed through a rich variety of learning opportunities inside and outside of the classroom. They will be encouraged to enroll in core content and methods courses in physical, life and social sciences as well as public policy and 'value-added' content courses related to culture, ethics, arts, humanities and/or foreign language that complement their undergraduate programs. They will also participate in two credit-bearing seminars on the history of the Land-Grant university.

Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experiences (UCARE) Program UCARE, funded by the Pepsi Endowment, supports opportunities for undergraduates to work alongside faculty members and directly participate in campus research or creative activities. Undergraduates may apply for UCARE awards to incorporate a research or creative experience into their undergraduate education.

All full-time UNL undergraduates who have completed at least 30 semester hours are eligible. Students are expected to have a GPA of 2.75 or higher. Applicants must work with a faculty sponsor; the sponsor may be either from the student's own college or another college, if appropriate. Students will commit to at least 10 hours of research a week (Academic Year applicants) or at least 20 hours of research a week (Summer applicants).

RURALS: Review of Undergraduate Research in Agricultural and Life Sciences A faculty-refereed journal devoted to the publication of high quality research by undergraduates worldwide in all research problem areas including, but not limited to those described in the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Manual of Classification of Agricultural and Forestry Research, Education and Extension.

Career Services East We have a strong career services program with over 90% of our students finding jobs in their field or continuing with their professional education. Students have the opportunity to apply for and learn from many on-campus jobs or work-study positions within their field of study. We can help students navigate the job search process. Routinely, we have one of the largest agriculture and natural resources career fairs in the nation. Last October, 598 students visited with representatives from 101 organizations about internships and full-time positions. The day after, 222 interviews were conducted.

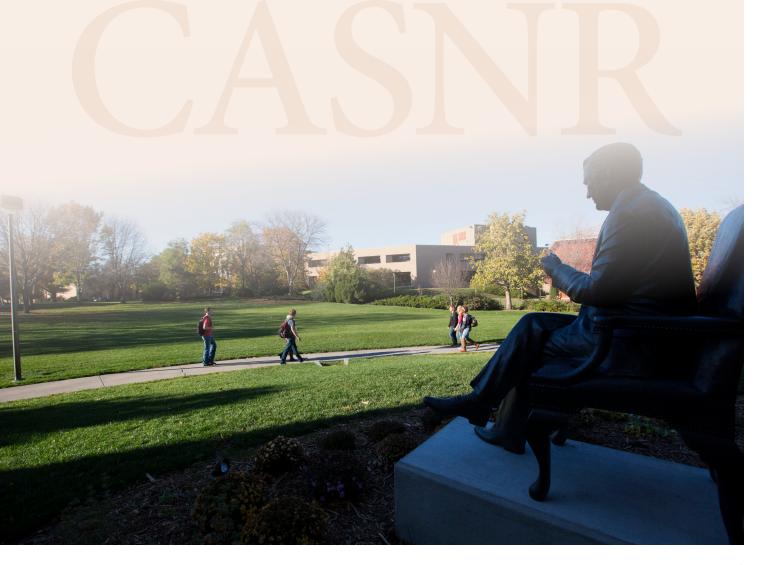
The Senior Send-Off Before December and May commencement exercises, the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and its alumni association sponsor Senior Send-Off in the Pinnacle Bank Arena at 7:30 a.m. This is an informal gathering for our graduates and their families to have coffee and rolls while visiting with faculty and staff prior to commencement.

**Ag College Dreams** "Ag College Dreams - The Real Cornhuskers" is a 29-minute video describing the history of the College. It is narrated by Dick Cavett and written and produced by Joel Geyer, Senior Producer, University Television. This documentary will be presented to your student upon participation in our Salute to Graduates Program. Interested parties may also contact the CASNR Dean's Office for a copy.

**Salute to Graduates** The College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and its alumni association sponsor a Salute to Graduates ceremony held twice a year on the Friday preceding general commencement. This tradition, established in December 2005, is to provide individual recognition to graduating seniors. Family, faculty and friends attend the celebration.

During the ceremony, each student participant is called individually on stage with the NU Vice President and IANR Harlan Vice Chancellor, CASNR Dean, the student's unit administrator and the CASNR Alumni Association president. Brief comments previously written by the students are read, stating their greatest achievement in college and what they plan to do after graduation. Photographs taken are posted to the CASNR website and are available to the respective hometown newspaper as well as family and friends. Prior to "Salute," some CASNR programs hold their own receptions where the students and their families can meet with faculty and staff.

On May 5, 2017, 172 of our 329 graduating College seniors participated in the Salute with some 750 parents, family and friends in the audience. Each year, August graduates are invited to participate in the May Salute.



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# College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources

### Bachelor Degree Candidacy Status

### Rationale

The purpose of establishing Bachelor Degree Candidacy Status within the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources is to:

- Provide students with a road map for academic success. Ensure that CASNR students move through their academic experiences on logical, developmental paths that allow them to maximize the educational impact of the curricula; and
- Decrease the number of graduating seniors that must complete core requirements (math and natural sciences) during their final semesters.

### Criteria for CASNR Bachelor Degree Candidacy Status

- Achieve senior status (89 credit hours or more);
- Have removed high school admission deficiencies;
- Have completed the CASNR core course requirements in Mathematics and Statistics and Natural Sciences:
- Complete a degree audit (DARS); and
- Have met with student's academic advisor.

### **Implementation**

Bachelor Degree Candidacy status must be achieved in the semester prior to the semester in which the student intends to graduate (e.g., if the student anticipates a May graduation, he/she must be cleared before registration for fall courses the semester prior to graduation). If candidacy has not been achieved prior to the semester in which the student intends to graduate, a hold will be placed on the student's registration. The hold will be removed by the CASNR Dean's Office once the student meets with his/her academic advisor.

### Before the semester prior to students' graduations:

- UNL Registration and Records will identify CASNR students that have achieved senior status (89 credit hours or more) and inform the CASNR Dean's Office.
- 2. Academic advisors will receive a list of "senior status" students from the CASNR Dean's Office.
- Advisors will confirm with the CASNR Dean's Office that their advisees have achieved Bachelor Degree Candidacy.
- 4. Students who have not satisfied the CASNR Bachelor Degree Candidacy status criteria will be contacted by the CASNR Dean's Office alerting them that holds have been placed on their registrations. They also will be informed about which of the Bachelor Degree Candidacy status criteria they have not satisfied and steps to take to remove the holds.

### The semester prior to the student's graduation:

The CASNR Dean's Office will confirm students' achievement of candidacy status with individual students and their academic advisors.

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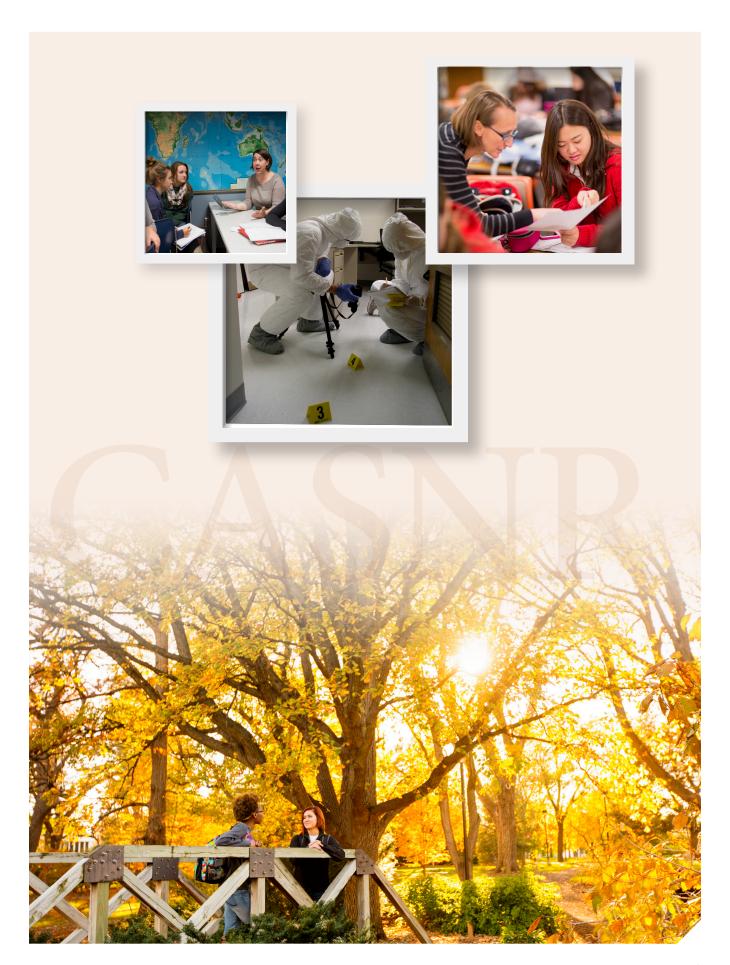
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| QUESTIONS REGARDING         | OFFICE                        | LOCATION         | PHONE    |
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| Emergency Loan              | CASNR                         | 103 Ag Hall      | 472-2201 |
| Housing                     | Housing Office                | 1115 N. 16th St. | 472-3561 |
| Loans, Scholarships, Grants | Scholarship and Financial Aid | 17 Adm           | 472-2030 |
| Student Judicial Affairs    | Student Affairs               | 106 Adm          | 472-2021 |
| Student Employment          | Career Services               | 301 NEU          | 472-8273 |
| Campus Parking/Shuttle Bus  | Parking Services              | Ste A SDPG       | 472-1800 |
| Sororities and Fraternities | Greek Affairs                 | 332 Neb. Union   | 472-2582 |

| RESIDENCE HALLS               | LOCATION                | PHONE    |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Abel Hall                     | 860 N. 17th, 68508      | 472-1010 |
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| Massengale Residential Center | 1710 Arbor Drive, 68503 | 472-1025 |
| Eastside Suites               | 433 N. 19th, 68588      | 472-7179 |
| Harper Hall                   | 1150 N. 14th, 68508     | 472-1055 |
| Husker Hall                   | 705 N. 23rd, 68508      | 472-1157 |
| Kauffman Center               | 630 N. 14th, 68508      | 472-2352 |
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| Neihardt Hall                 | 540 N. 16th, 68508      | 472-1044 |
| Sandoz Hall                   | 820 N. 17th, 68508      | 472-1010 |
| Schramm Hall                  | 1130 N. 14th, 68508     | 472-1057 |
| Selleck Quadrangle            | 600 N. 15th, 68508      | 472-1075 |
| Smith Hall                    | 1120 N. 14th, 68508     | 472-1063 |
| The Village                   | 1055 N. 16th, 68508     | 472-1130 |
| University Suites             | 1780 R St., 68508       | 472-7179 |









# Agricultural Communications Bldg. (ACB)

- Agronomy & Horticulture/Forestry Shops (AHFS)
- Agronomy & Horticulture Greenhouse 1 (AHG1) Agronomy & Horticulture Greenhouse 2 (AHG2) Agronomy & Horticulture Greenhouse 3 (AHG3)
- Agronomy & Horticulture Physiology Bldg. (AHPH) Agronomy & Horticulture Greenhouse 4 (AHG4)
- Animal Science Complex (ANSC) Baker Hall (MBH) 62 68 68 69 69 45 45
- Burr Hall (BRH)
- Child Development Laboratory, Staples (CDL) College of Dentistry (DENT)
- College of Law (LAW)
- Conservation & Survey Annex Bldg. (CSA) C.Y. Thompson Library (CYT)
- Barkley Memorial Center (BKC)
  Bio-Fiber Development Laboratory (BDL)
- Chase Hall (CHA)

# East Campus Visitor Center

- Entomology Greenhouse 2 (EGR2) Entomology Greenhouse 3 (EGR3) Entomology Hall (ENTO) 22
- Environmental Health & Safety Family Resource Center (FRC)
  - Fedde Hall (FRH) Filley Hall (FYH)
- Forage Research Laboratory (FORL) Forestry Hall (FORS)
  - Home Economics Bldg. (HECO) Insectary Bldg. (INSB)
    - Keim Hall (KEIM)

- Flemming Fields Annex Bldg. (FFAB) Food Industry Complex (F000)
- Hardin Hall (HARH)
- Kiesselbach Crops Research Laboratory (KCR)

Landscape Services (LSQ)

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- Larsen Tractor Museum (LTM) Leverton Hall (LEV)
- Library Depository Retrieval Facility (LDR) Loeffel Meat Laboratory (LML) Love Hall (LRH)
- Morrison Center (MOLR) McCollum Hall (LAW) Miller Hall (MILH)
- Nat'l Agroforestry Center (NAC) Mussehl Hall (MUSH)
- Nat'l Agroforestry Center Storage Bldg. (NAST) Nebraska East Union (NEU)
- Neb. Statewide Arboretum Greenhouse (NSAG) Nebraska Educational Telecomm. - NET/PBS Nebraska Game & Parks
- Plant Pathology Greenhouse (PPG) Pershing Maintenance (PM) Plant Sciences Hall (PLSH)
- Plant Science Teaching Greenhouse (PSTG) Poultry Bldg. F (PQF)

Vet. Medicine & Biomedical Sciences Bldg. (VBS)

Warehouse 1 (W1) Warehouse 2 (W2)

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Vet. Diagnostic Center (VDC)

33rd & Starr Streets - one block south and Colonial Terrace Apartments (CTA) Campus Maps: maps.unl.edu east of 33rd & Holdrege St. Staples Child Development Laboratory (CDL) Recreation & Wellness Center (RWC)

Splinter Lab & Tractor Test Laboratory

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Robert Hillestad Gallery

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Schmid Law Library Service Bldg. (SVC) HOW TO READ THE CAMPUS MAPS:

I you know the name of the building, look for it in the alphabetical list f you're looking for the building by number, they are read from left to ight/battom to top and divided by

Terry M. Carpenter Telecomm. Center (TELC)

USDA Physiology Bldg. (USDP)

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Utility Plant (ECUP) Varner Hall (VARH)

Teaching Greenhouse West (TGW) Teaching Greenhouse East (TGE) Stewart Seed Laboratory (SSL)

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# indicated in pink on the map. For complete information There are a number of areas where visitors may park please visit parking.unl.edu/visitors.

Visitor/Guest Parking

Welpton Courtroom Bldg. (WELC) Water Sciences Laboratory (WL)

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57 Poultry Bidg. H & I (POHI) 1 Quilt House (QH)

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