New Student Enrollment
PARENT HANDBOOK

CASNR
College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources
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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.

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.

We are excited to have your student and you be a part of CASNR. Please be assured that our commitment to our students and their success are our #1 priority.

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.
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.

COVID-19: Our Response. The University and the College take the health and safety of our campus community very seriously. As the United States and global health officials continue to address the spread of novel coronavirus and COVID-19 infection, health and emergency preparedness officials at UNL are monitoring the situation in collaboration with our university and governmental partners. Official updates regarding UNL’s response are found on this site: https://covid19.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 your student and you have joined us—and we very much look forward to helping your inspired student make a mark on the world as they prepare for success in a world filled with opportunity.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Heng-Moss
Dean of CASNR
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 part-time 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 6.
- Familiarize yourself with the **Academic Catalog** to be a sophisticated consumer of your education.
- Successfully complete the **Employment Seminar (How to Get a Job)** course (AGRI/NRES 388) and **Job Survival** course (AGRI 400). See page 9.
- Complete the **Bachelor Degree Candidacy** before completing 89 hours.

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

Source: Strong Interest Inventory Resource: Strategies for Group and Individual Interpretations in College Settings, 1995
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 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, graduate programs, and/or 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 Handshake 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 Center 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 their 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.
CASNR Start Smart (AGRI 042 - INTL-PRO DEVl EXPRNC) 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 students 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.

CASNR Start Smart uses the Husker POWER framework. This framework includes modules on Purpose, Ownership, Well-being, Engagement, and Relationships.

Student questions, concerns, or issues with AGRI 042 may be directed to Megan Rothenberger, 402.472.7812, megan.rothenberger@unl.edu

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
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.

“CASNR CARES has completely changed my experience at Nebraska. I think that if I hadn’t started meeting with her, I would be having a very different college experience or be at a completely different college all together.”
- CASNR Student

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 which they can 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.
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 live outside the United States. And when it comes to food, energy and water, some of the greatest challenges and opportunities exist in other parts of the world.

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, Ethiopia, Namibia, New Zealand, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Rwanda, 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 because it relates international issues to Nebraska agriculture and resource stewardship.
- CASNR offers a minor in International Agriculture and Natural Resources. This is 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 advisor on this minor.
- CASNR offers a global access travel grant that provides students with $150 to apply toward an Education Abroad experience. This grant is equivalent to the cost of a passport, and all students are encouraged to apply for a passport while in CASNR.

To discover more about CASNR international study:

Jon Kerrigan
202 Agricultural Hall
402.472.5902
casnr.unl.edu/education-abroad
We do plenty of work to get you ready to work!

The following classes are “how to” courses that offer tools to help you land 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 resume and cover letter. You’ll even learn proper dining and business etiquette.

- Blended learning course taught online and meets in person once during the fall semester
- 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!

- Blended learning course taught online and through four one-hour workshops
- Open to all students, but at least sophomore standing preferred
- One credit hour, pass/no pass

**Resume Labs**

Need assistance with your resume, cover letter, finding an on-campus job, or Handshake? Start with our Resume Labs! Bring your computer, ask questions, get feedback, make edits as you go, and walk out with improved documents. CASNR has six Peer Career Coaches that lead our Resume Labs.

**Discover more by contacting:**

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jobermeyer@unl.edu  
402.472.8273

**Marybeth Helmink**  
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mhelmink@unl.edu  
402.472.8823

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

Source: Caroline Francis, UK alumni career counselor
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*Mini Session Courses follow prorated dates for deadlines, tuition charges and refunds. For Mini Course tuition charges or refund dates, please contact Student Accounts.

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.
We provide an education that allows you to craft your experience to fit your passions.

We will develop you into a professional that's prepared to make a mark on the world.

CASNR is full of passionate faculty, staff, and alumni with valuable real-world experiences that are eager to assist you in research, mentorship, and networking.

We take your development beyond the classroom with opportunities to get involved in the community via internships, research, service, speakers and more.

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

- About 80 percent of students in the US end up changing their major at least once. On average, college students change their major at least three times over the course of their college career.

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

CASNR programs have been credentialed as unique Bachelor of Science 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.

Source: Borderzine 2013 article
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 faculty and staff recognized nationally and internationally. 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 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 the recovery of ecosystems that have been degraded, damaged, or contaminated from human activity or natural agents, 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-disciplinary study. When you graduate, you’ll be ready to make a difference so 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 and packaging to quality assurance to food chemistry. 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 Systems
This program contains an integrated systems approach to the management of forage-based 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.

Insect Science
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 and 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. It 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. 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 science course work prepares you for many careers and 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.

PGA Golf Management
This is 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 who is eligible to be a teaching professional, golf course manager, tournament director, coach, or sales representative within the golf industry. Learn management of the golf business, improve your playing skills, and enjoy great internships across the nation. Turn the game you love into a career you love!

Regional and Community Forestry
Learn to lead the industry in tree management and planning that addresses natural resource challenges to build livable, vibrant and resilient communities. You’ll get experience climbing trees, measuring tree performance, and learning proper chain saw techniques, all while building a strong background in tree biology and growing your strategic thinking so you can excel in managing our urban forests.

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 and wildlife. You will also study 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.

2021 CASNR Week Highlights
The 20th annual CASNR Week celebration included new as well as traditional events to highlight the successes of our faculty, staff, and students.

- Cultivate Access Celebrating Diversity Difference Makers virtual event
- CASNR Coffee Club Breakfast in partnership with the Global Hub - featured speaker IANR Undersecretary Greg Ibach
- CASNR Cool, Calm and Collected featuring a plant giveaway and de-stressing techniques
- CASNR Week Ice Cream Social
- East Campus Pantry food drive

In addition, a virtual awards ceremony was held to honor members of the CASNR Community.

Award recipients were:
IANR Staff Inclusive Excellence Award: Josi Arnold
Holling Sustained Excellence in Teaching and Learning: Dr. Steve Comfort and Dr. Kim Todd
Holling Faculty Award for Inclusive Excellence in Teaching and Learning: Jackie Cervantes-Guzman
Holling Early Achievement Faculty Award: Dr. Elliott Dennis, Holling Graduate and Undergraduate Teaching and Learning Assistant Award: Zach Shomo and Samantha Guenther
LK Crowe Undergraduate Advisor Award: Dr. Randy Wehling
Darrell W. Nelson Excellence in Graduate Studies Advising Award: Dr. Richard Perrin
Arthur von Bergen Award - Jake Judge
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
- Agriculture Leadership Shields
- 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 Coffee Club
- 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
- Latinos for Natural Resources
- Love Memorial Hall Cooperative
- Mechanized Systems Management Club
- National Agri-Marketing Association (NAMA)
- No Kill Advocacy Club
- NU Outdoor Education Club
- PGA Golf Management Club
- Pi Alpha Xi
- Pre-Veterinary Club
- Quarter Scale Tractor Club
- Range Management Club
- Rodeo Association
- Rwandan Student Association
- SEECA-Students for Education in Exotic and Companion Animals
- 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 Forestry Club
- 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
1. 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).
2. 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:

1. 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.

2. 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:

1. 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.

2. 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.
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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 degree 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 CASNR (>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 residency.

Includes courses taught by CASNR faculty through interdisciplinary prefixes (e.g., LIFE, WBO, ENVR, SSCI, 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.

Husker Hub The Husker Hub is the new “one-stop” offering Nebraska students integrated services from the offices of Scholarships and Financial Aid, University Registrar, Bursar and Student Accounts. The Husker Hub is available to assist with the following:

- Class Registration
- Transcripts
- Student Bills
- Scholarships
- Grants
- Work Study
- Student Loans
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Contact the Husker Hub by emailing huskerhub@unl.edu or calling 402.472.2030.

Guest Access to MyRed Students are now able to grant guest access to their MyRed account to parents and supporters. For more information on how to gain access, see https://ferpa.unl.edu/guest-access.

UNL Parents Association The UNL Parents Association works to strengthen the bond between the university and parents by encouraging two-way communication and keeping parents informed. Consider joining their Facebook group for up to date information and timely topic discussions.

CASNR Scholarships The online Scholarship Application for Current Undergraduate Students in MyRED 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 advisor 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 ¾ 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 the Husker Hub. After the ¾ 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 ¾ 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 pre-approved through the UNL Academic Transfer Coordinator 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
- Nebraska Indian Community College
- 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

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.

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**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.

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**2021-2022 CASNR AMBASSADORS**

Emma Hoffschneider, Burwell, NE, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Communication

Lana Hebda, Silver Creek, NE, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Communication

Matthew Hoffmann, Plainview, NE, Agricultural Economics

Wyatt Hubbard, Elm Creek, NE, Applied Science

Courtney Nelson, Monroe, NE, Mechanized Systems Management

Clayton Thomas, Bloomington, IL, Agricultural Education

Kelsey Thompson, Albion NE, Agribusiness

Madison van Ophem, Overland Park, KS, Forensic Science

Macey Wooldrik, West Point, NE, Horticulture

Kaylee Wheeler, Wood Lake, NE, Animal Science
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.

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
This is 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.

CASNR First-Generation Mentoring Program
First-generation college students have unique college experiences. The CASNR First Generation Mentoring program is a formal mentoring experience with alumni that will help students navigate their college path, create their own experience, and learn about the world beyond our campus. Our goal is to create a campus environment where first generation students feel supported and belong, and our alumni have the opportunity to connect with our world-class students. If you’re interested in participating or would like more information, contact Meg at meg.kester@unl.edu

CASNR Career Center
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. The entire CASNR Career Center team, consisting of professional staff and peer coaches, is ready and willing to help students find experiences and transition to their next stage. Routinely, we have one of the largest agriculture and natural resources career fairs in the nation.

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.
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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:

1. 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.
3. 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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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF WE HAVE HERETOUNTO SUBSCRIBED OUR NAMES

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- **Emergency Loan**: CASNR, 103 Ag Hall, 402-472-2201
- **Housing**: Housing Office, 530 N 17th St., 402-472-3561
- **Loans, Scholarships, Grants**: Husker Hub, 130 Pound Hall, 402-472-2030
- **Student Judicial Affairs**: Student Affairs, 106 Canfield, 402-472-2021
- **Student Employment**: Career Services, 301 NEU, 402-472-8273
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