Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours) Integrated Honours

includes:

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours)
Bachelor of Agricultural Science

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The course includes the following awards:

Bachelor of Agricultural Science BAgricSc

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Hons) BAgricSc(Hons)

Course Study Modes and Locations

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (4410AS)

On Campus - Wagga Wagga

Availability is subject to change, please verify prior to enrolment.

Normal course duration

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours)

Full-time 4 years (8.0 sessions)

Integrated honours stream in four-year degree course [where overall duration is 4.0] Actual duration (FTE) of honours stream 2.0

Bachelor of Agricultural Science

Full-time 4 years (8.0 sessions)

Normal course duration is the effective period of time taken to complete a course when studied Full-time (Full-time Equivalent: FTE). Students are advised to consult the Enrolment Pattern for the actual length of study. Not all courses are offered in Full-time mode.

Admission criteria

CSU Admission Policy

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours)

In order to be eligible for transfer into the Honours stream at the beginning of year 3, students will be required to achieve grades of Credit or above in at least 50% of first and second level subjects. Selection into the Honours stream will depend upon high academic merit and the availability of supervisors and research topics.

Bachelor of Agricultural Science

Assumed knowledge is NSW HSC or equivalent 2 unit Mathematics and 2 unit Chemistry.

Whilst there are no HSC subjects specified as prerequisites for admission to the course, confidence and proficiency in an HSC mathematics subject is important, and previous study of chemistry is advantageous.

Credit

CSU Credit Policy

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours)

No credit arrangements currently apply

Bachelor of Agricultural Science

No current credit arrangements apply.

Graduation requirements

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours)

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 256 points.

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Course Structure

Common Subjects

AGB110 Agricultural Economics

AGB310Agricultural Marketing

AGR202 Food, Environment and Culture

AGS107 Precision Agriculture and Data Handling

AHT101Professional Skills in Agriculture and Horticulture

AHT231 Agricultural Finance and Business Management

PSC104Soil Science

Additional Compulsory Subjects

AGR220Extension

AGR203 Production Analysis and Optimisation

AGS203 Agricultural Biotechnology

AGS301Weed and Pesticide Sciences

CHM108Chemical Fundamentals

PSC102Botany

PSC201Invertebrate Pests

PSC202Crop and Pasture Science

PSC271Crop Agronomy

PSC360Pastures and Rangelands

PSC371Plant Pathology

PSC415Soil Management

ASC171 Animal Anatomy and Physiology

ASC261 Animal Reproduction

ASC273Animal Nutrition

ASC370Ruminant Production

MCR101Introduction to Microbiology

SCI301International Experience

4th Year Pass Stream Compulsory Subjects

AGS401 Integrated Agriculture (16 points)

AGS400 Practicum (32 points)

4th Year Honours Stream Compulsory Subjects

One of:

HRS410Honours Research Methods

STA401 Postgraduate Scientific Statistics

STA404Statistical Reasoning

Alternative 8-point research methods as agreed by the supervisor and School Honours Coordinator, and with the approval of the Associate Dean (Research).

And

HRS424Science Honours Project/Dissertation

Or

1-2 elective subjects, and an appropriately weighted Honours Project/Dissertation subject in consultation with the supervisor and School Honours Co-ordinator.

Session 8

HRS432Science Honours Project/Dissertation

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Restricted Electives

Restricted electives can be chosen from any level 2 or above subjects with codes AGB, AGR, AGS, ASC, PSC, IRR or HRT as well as SCI301 International Experience. Other codes may be allowed if appropriate rationale is provided and accepted by the Courses Director.

Enrolment Pattern

Common stream

Full-time

Session 1

AHT101Professional Skills in Agriculture and Horticulture

AGB110Agricultural Economics

CHM108Chemical Fundamentals

PSC102Botany

Session 2

AGS107 Precision Agriculture and Data Handling

PSC104Soil Science

ASC171Animal Anatomy and Physiology

MCR101Introduction to Microbiology

Session 3

AHT231 Agricultural Finance and Business Management

AGR203Production Analysis and Optimisation

AGS203 Agricultural Biotechnology

PSC202Crop and Pasture Science

Session 4

AGR202 Food, Environment and Culture

AGS301Weed and Pesticide Sciences

PSC360Pastures and Rangelands

ASC273Animal Nutrition

Session 5

AGB310 Agricultural Marketing

AGR220Extension

PSC415Soil Management

ASC261Animal Reproduction

Session 6

ASC370Ruminant Production

PSC201Invertebrate Pests

PSC271Crop Agronomy

PSC371Plant Pathology

Pass Stream - 4th Year

Session 7

AGS400Practicum (commenced) (32 points)

AGS401 Integrated Agriculture (commenced)(16 points)

Session 8

AGS400 Practicum (completed) (32 points)

AGS401Integrated Agriculture (completed)(16points)

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Honours Stream - 4th Year

Session 7

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Note: The final class of Honours grade will be based on assessment in the Project/Dissertation subject/s only. The research methods and any elective coursework subjects will not contribute to the honours class.

Workplace learning

Please note that the following subjects may contain a Workplace Learning component.

AGS400 Agricultural Industry Practicum

Residential School

Please note that the following subjects may have a residential school component.

AGR220 Extension

AGS301 Weed and Pesticide Sciences

ASC171 Animal Anatomy and Physiology

ASC261 Animal Reproduction

ASC273 Animal Nutrition

ASC370 Ruminant Production and Welfare

CHM108 Chemical Fundamentals

MCR101 Introduction to Microbiology

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PSC202 Crop And Pasture Science

PSC271 Crop Agronomy

PSC360 Pastures and Rangelands PSC371 Plant Pathology PSC415 Soil Management

Enrolled students can find further information about CSU residential schools via the <u>About Residential School</u> page.

Accreditation

Students are eligible for the Ag Institute Undergraduate Student membership to the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology.

Graduated students are eligible for full membership to the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology.

Contact

For further information about Charles Sturt University, or this course offering, please contact info.csu on 1800 334 733 (free call within Australia) or email inquiry@csu.edu.au

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