

# Sustainable Agribusiness Management

*Committed to providing affordable and accessible sustainable agricultural education opportunities.*



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Central Virginia Community College in partnership with Patrick Henry Community College and Southwest Virginia Community College will offer an Associate in Applied Science Degree and Certificate Program in Sustainable Agribusiness Management for Fall 2009.

The curriculum is designed for students interested in owning or managing an agribusiness, farm, nursery, or greenhouse. The strong emphasis on business is perfect for students who plan to work full-time and farm part-time. A focus on sustainability insures smart use of land and environmental resources that preserve rural Virginia for generations to come. Students interested in transferring to a four-year college can complete a General Studies Degree and take the agribusiness courses as electives. The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech has a guaranteed articulation agreement.

The curriculum will also focus on emerging technologies and economic development opportunities in renewable energy production, local food marketing, agri-tourism, hydroponics, pharmaceuticals, and other evolving enterprises to prepare students for the exciting future of 21st century agriculture.

Students will attend traditional classes and also participate in labs on actual farms and agribusinesses. A related internship experience is required to insure students have the experience they need to be successful. **Learn more about careers and register to receive updates and invitations to upcoming events at [www.vagccc.org](http://www.vagccc.org).**

# PROPOSED SUSTAINABLE AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT CURRICULUM

<b>Semester 1</b>	3	ENG 111 College Composition I
	3	ECO 120 / 201 or Approved ECO Elective
	3	ITE 115 OR BUS 226 - Computer Applications
	3	AGR 195 Introduction to Plant Science and Technology
	4	AGR 195 Introduction to Animal Science and Technology
	1	SDV 100 / 101 / or 108 Student Development (Orientation)
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<b>Semester 2</b>	3	ENG 112 / 115 / or 131
	3	ECO 202 or Approved ECO Elective
	3	AGR 195 Agricultural Human Resource Management
	3	AGR 195 Soil and Environmental Science, Technology, and Management
	3	SPD 100 / 105 / 110 & CST 100 Public Speaking
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<b>Summer</b>	<b>6</b>	AGR 297 Cooperative Education
<b>Semester 3</b>	3	AGR 295 Agribusiness and Financial Management
	3	HUM 165 - Controversial Issues in Contemporary American Culture
	3	Approved Computer Elective from Accounting / CAD / WEB / GIS
	3	AGR 295 Food Production, Safety, Biosecurity, and Quality Control
	3	First Ag Elective
	2	PE Elective
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<b>Semester 4</b>	3	AGR 295 Agribusiness Marketing, Risk Management, and Entrepreneurship
	2	AGR 295 Chemical Applications and Pest Management
	2	AGR 295 Professional Selling for Agribusiness
	3	Second Ag Elective
	3	Third Ag Elective
	1	AGR 298 or 299 Seminar & Project / Supervised Study
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- 3 AGR 295 Agricultural Policy, Leadership, & Professional Service
- 3 AGR 295 Spanish for the Green Industry
- 3 AGR 295 Livestock Production, Products, & Emerging Technologies
- 3 AGR 295 Crop Production, Products, & Emerging Technologies
- 3 AGR 295 Agricultural Alternative Energy Solutions

*Disclaimer: This curriculum is proposed and is in the process of being approved by both the college and the Virginia Community College System. The college cannot guarantee which courses will be included in the final curriculum or when they will be offered. Students are responsible for consulting the appropriate academic unit or adviser two weeks before the academic semester for more current and specific information. This information is subject to change and does not constitute an agreement between the college and the student.*