



What can I do with my Major?

ANIMAL SCIENCE

RATCLIFFE HICKS SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE

SAMPLE JOB TITLES

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Supervisors of Animal Husbandry and Care Workers
Animal Control Worker
Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers
Animal Trainer
Animal Breeder
Farmworkers—Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals
Herd Manager
Farm and Ranch Managers
Artificial Insemination Technician
Horse Farm Manager
Meat and Food Processing Technician
Animal Sales and Marketing Specialist
Equitation Instructor
Feed and Animal Product Sales Representative
Breed Association Representative
Animal Welfare Technician

UConn Resources

Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture
Department of Animal Science
Alpha Zeta
Controlled Release Society
Block & Bridle
Poultry Science Club
Pre-Vet Club
The Wildlife Society

Other Resources

Federation of Animal Science Societies
American Association of Equine Practitioners
U.S. Cattlemen's Association

Overview of Major

Animal Science majors in the Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture (RHSA) receive both theoretical and hands-on education in the management of livestock, dairy cattle, poultry, and horses. Students interested in dairy or livestock production concentrate on the influence of genetics, physiology, nutrition, and health on the economic production of animals. Courses are designed to maintain a balance between theoretical and practical aspects of animal production. Species studied include dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep, swine, poultry, and horses. Students focusing on Equine Studies benefit from extensive academic and extracurricular opportunities. The Dairy/Livestock program and Equine Science program are offered by the Department of Animal Science. The department undertakes comprehensive teaching, research, and outreach activities.

The Associate of Applied Science degree program allows students to select from a variety of Animal Science and related courses. Formal and informal learning settings offer students the opportunity to design a unique educational experience, with exposure to all aspects of the industry. Students work directly with animals on campus, and may also choose to pursue off-campus work experience or internship opportunities in production or related enterprises.

Nature of Work

Animal Science majors focus on Equine Studies or Dairy/Livestock Management. Graduates find positions in the horse industry, production enterprises, animal health, breeding and genetics, nutrition, meat science and food handling, or related service industries.

