AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS (ABUS)

See Course Description Symbols and Terms (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/academic-standards-policies/course-description-symbols-terms/) for an explanation of course description terminology and symbols, the course numbering system, and course credit units.

ABUS 101 Introduction to Agricultural Business and Economics 3 Units GE
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
The role of agricultural business in the economy. Introductory economic and business principles and their application to the solution of agricultural problems. 3 hours lecture. (000014)
General Education: Social Sciences (D)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 211 Agricultural Selling and Consulting 3 Units
Typically Offered: Spring only
Application of selling and consulting techniques for agribusiness firms. 3 hours lecture. (015808)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 231 Computer Applications in Agriculture 3 Units
Typically Offered: Spring only
Survey of microcomputer applications for agribusiness management, emphasizing personnel productivity software, including database manager, advanced spreadsheet, and electronic communication software. 3 hours lecture. (000025)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 250 Food Safety: Economics and Business 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 101 or equivalent.
Typically Offered: Spring only
This course explores the application of food safety from an economics and data analysis perspective. Managerial best practices related to food safety protocols and compliance are also included. 3 hours lecture. (022581)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 261 Farm Accounting 3 Units
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Introduction to the principles of farm accounting, farm business record keeping, agribusiness management, financial analysis, and enterprise budgeting. 1 hour discussion, 2 hours lecture. (000020)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 262 Management Accounting for Agriculture 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 261 or ACCT 201.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Cost concepts as a management tool in agriculture are explored. Budgeting techniques for planning and control and for long-term projects are developed. 2 hours activity, 2 hours lecture. (015011)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 298 Special Topics 1-3 Units
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0 - 3.0 units. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from semester to semester and be different for different sections. See the class schedule for the specific topic being offered. 3 hours seminar. (000022)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course more than once
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 299 Special Problems 1-3 Units
Prerequisite: Faculty permission.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
This course is an independent study of a topic or problem and is offered for 1.0-3.0 units. Students must register with a supervising faculty member. A maximum of 6 units of special problems may be applied toward a bachelor's degree in agriculture. 9 hours supervision. (020956)
Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Lower Division

ABUS 300 Agricultural Business Competition 1 Unit
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
This course prepares interested students for regional and national Quiz Bowl competition of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association. Areas of preparation include agricultural business and economics, general agriculture, statistics, economics, accounting, finance management and marketing. 1 hour lecture. (015866)
Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 8 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 301 Agricultural Production Economics and Quantitative Analysis 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 101 or ECON 103.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Application of microeconomic theory to the agricultural production process, including single and multivariate production and cost functions, price determination in competitive and non-competitive markets and programs. 3 hours lecture. (000024)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 311 Agricultural Markets and Pricing 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 101.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Economic principles applied to the marketing of agricultural products. Function, structure, and operation of agricultural markets. Introduction to the futures market. Trends in marketing of California agricultural crops and livestock. 3 hours lecture. (000026)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division
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**Notes:**
- ABUS 101 or equivalent: typically required for enrollment.
- ABUS 311: required for credit.
- ABUS 390 requires consent of the instructor.

**Course Attributes:**
- Credits/no credit
- Graded

**Typically Offered:**
- Fall only
- Spring only
- Fall and spring

**General Education:**
- Upper-Division Social Sciences (UDD)
- Agriculture, Food, and Environment Pathway
- Global Studies Pathway

**Grade Basis:**
- Graded

**Repeatability:**
- You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
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- You may take this course more than once
- You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
ABUS 415 Agribusiness Data Analysis 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 231, MATH 105.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Methods in agribusiness data analysis, including descriptive and inferential statistics, hypothesis formulation and testing, analysis of variance, and regression analysis. Topics include statistical techniques for a range of agricultural applications, including the analysis of price-determining factors for agricultural products. 3 hours lecture. (000040)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 421 Advanced Agribusiness Management 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 301, ABUS 321, senior standing.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Agribusiness organization and management. Budgeting, input-output relationships, and enterprise analysis in decision making. Application of economic and management principles. Human resource management. 2 hours activity, 2 hours lecture. (000041)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 425 Cooperatives Seminar 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 101, ABUS 311, senior standing.
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
Cooperative principles and philosophy. Types and importance of cooperative activity in the U.S. Accounting for cooperative activity. 3 hours seminar. (000067)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 435 Commodity Futures and Options Markets 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 231.
Typically Offered: Spring only
Application of strategies to manage risk in commodity markets through the understanding of forwards, futures, and options contracts. 3 hours lecture. (021696)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 451W Agricultural Policy (W) 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 301, ECON 102.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Domestic and international issues in U.S. agricultural food policy. A study of the major problems confronting agriculture, the process by which government formulates agricultural policy, and the socio-economic impact of current government programs. 3 hours lecture. (000029)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division; Writing Course

ABUS 464 Farm and Ranch Appraisal 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 101.
Typically Offered: Fall only
Principles and techniques of farm and ranch appraisal. Valuation of farm and rural resources. 3 hours laboratory, 2 hours lecture. (000031)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 465 Agricultural Finance 3 Units
Prerequisite: ABUS 101 and ABUS 261.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
Financing of agricultural enterprises. Principles, methods, and institutions involved in financing farming enterprises and related agricultural industries. Coordinated financial statements. Capital budgeting. 2 hours activity, 2 hours discussion. (000030)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 487 Risk Management Strategies: Personnel & Equipment 3 Units
Typically Offered: Spring only
Study of risk management strategies in agriculture, including workplace safety, rules, and regulations. Equipment selection, maintenance, trends, and economics. Determining equipment requirements and costs. Systems for recording parts, services, and maintenance. 3 hours lecture. (000179)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 3 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 489 Internship in Agri Business 1-3 Units
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
3 hours lecture. (000043)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 15 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 498 Special Topics 1-3 Units
Typically Offered: Inquire at department
This course is for special topics offered for 1.0-3.0 units repsectively. Typically the topic is offered on a one-time-only basis and may vary from term to term and be different for different sections. See the Class Schedule for the specific topic being offered. 3 hours supervision. (000069)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course more than once
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 499 Special Problems 1-3 Units
Prerequisite: Faculty permission.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
This course is an independent study of special problems offered for 1.0-3.0 units. You must register directly with a supervising faculty member. 0 hours independent study. (000071)
Grade Basis: Credit/No Credit
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division

ABUS 499H Honors Research in Agricultural Business 6 Units
Prerequisite: Faculty permission.
Typically Offered: Fall and spring
An intensive 6-unit, one-year course in agricultural business research. See College office for details. Open to students with at least a 3.0 GPA in the major. The course consists of a faculty-supervised research project, a thesis, and a public presentation. 18 hours independent study. (000072)
Grade Basis: Graded
Repeatability: You may take this course for a maximum of 6 units
Course Attributes: Upper Division