An Agricultural Career for You

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Unlimited Opportunities
More than 400 agricultural related careers listed! LOOK INSIDE...

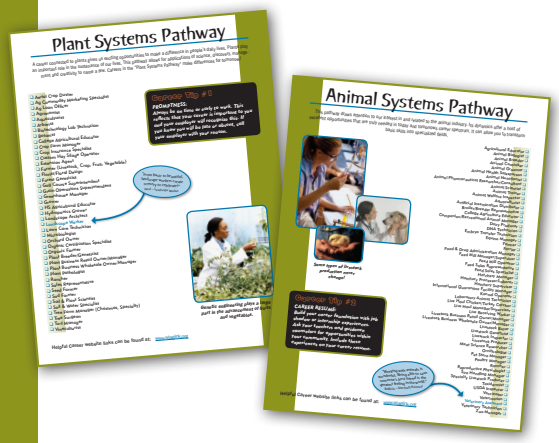
Where to Go
Top agricultural university and technical college information! LOOK INSIDE...

Where's the Money?
Current salaries, benefits and job potential! LOOK INSIDE...

Wisconsin AGRICULTURE
The State's biggest employer and largest industry at $88 billion...LOOK INSIDE!

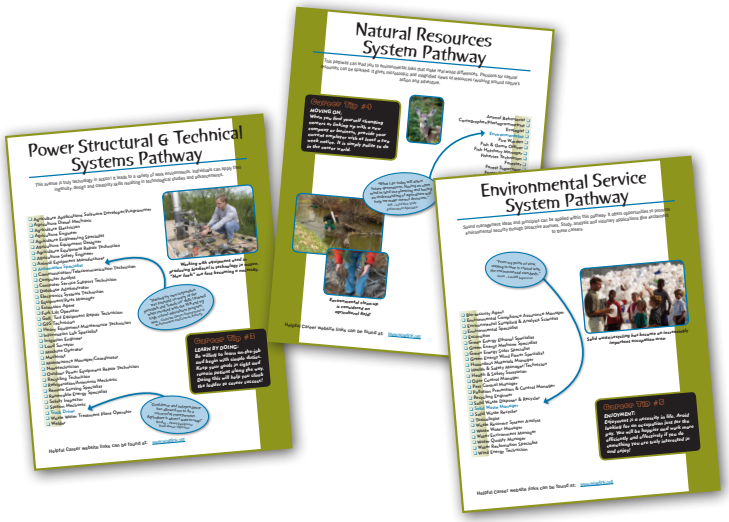
When work is this much **fun**, just imagine how **happy you** could be working in an **agricultural career!** The **possibilities** are **endless.** ~ **LOOK INSIDE...!**

Your Pathway to Career Success.....



"From financial services officers to marketing professionals, GreenStone Farm Credit Services offers more than just jobs. Our exciting careers provide employees with an opportunity to demonstrate their passion for agriculture and commitment to rural America. We offer a work environment that demands your best and in return offers personal fulfillment, challenging opportunities and financial rewards. If you are looking for more than a job, choose a career with GreenStone Farm Credit Services. Visit: www.greenstonefcs.com/careers." - *GreenStone Farm Credit Services*

"As a top industry in Wisconsin, agriculture represents a diverse set of career choices that revolve around one thing: LIFE. Careers in food & agriculture, the environment, energy and health will continue to expand as the world population grows and advances." *- UW Madison*



"Badgerland Financial is committed to providing quality products and services to our member customers. To do this, we must recruit high quality, intelligent individuals who have a passion for agriculture and the drive to do whatever is necessary to service our customers needs. A good work ethic, a background in agriculture, a team player, and the desire to have fun are just some of the qualities we value in a candidate." - *Badgerland*

Which One Will You Choose?

Helpful Career website links can be found at: www.wiaglink.org

Plant Systems Pathway

A career connected to plants gives us exciting opportunities to make a difference in people's daily lives. Plants play an important role in the sustenance of our lives. This pathway allows for applications of science, discovery, management and creativity to name a few. Careers in the "Plant Systems Pathway" make differences for tomorrow!

- ❑ Aerial Crop Duster
- ❑ Ag Commodity Marketing Specialist
- ❑ Ag Loan Officer
- ❑ Agronomist
- ❑ Aquaculturist
- ❑ Arborist
- ❑ Biotechnology Lab Technician
- ❑ Botanist
- ❑ College Agricultural Educator
- ❑ Crop Farm Manager
- ❑ Crop Insurance Specialist
- ❑ Custom Hay Silage Operator
- ❑ Extension Agent
- ❑ Farmer (Livestock, Crop, Fruit, Vegetable)
- ❑ Florist/Floral Design
- ❑ Forest Geneticist
- ❑ Golf Course Superintendent
- ❑ Grain Operations Superintendent
- ❑ Greenhouse Manager
- ❑ Grower
- ❑ HS Agricultural Educator
- ❑ Hydroponics Grower
- ❑ Landscape Architect
- ❑ Landscape Worker
- ❑ Lawn Care Technician
- ❑ Microbiologist
- ❑ Orchard Owner
- ❑ Organic Certification Specialist
- ❑ Organic Farmer
- ❑ Plant Breeder/Geneticist
- ❑ Plant Business Retail Owner/Manager
- ❑ Plant Business Wholesale Owner/Manager
- ❑ Plant Pathologist
- ❑ Rancher
- ❑ Sales Representative
- ❑ Seed Farmer
- ❑ Sod Farmer
- ❑ Soil & Plant Scientist
- ❑ Soil & Water Specialist
- ❑ Tree Farm Manager (Christmas, Specialty)
- ❑ Tree Surgeon
- ❑ Turf Manager
- ❑ Vineculturist

"From basic to beautiful, landscape workers create scenery to celebrate!"
Janel – Landscape Worker

CAREER TIP #1

PROMPTNESS:
Always be on time or early to work. This reflects that your career is important to you and your employer will recognize this. If you know you will be late or absent, call your employer with your reason.

Genetic engineering plays a large part in the advancement of fruits and vegetables.

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Animal Systems Pathway

This pathway draws attention to our interest in and related to the animal industry. Its dynamics offer a host of excellent opportunities that are truly needed in today and tomorrows career spectrum. It can allow you to transform basic skills into specialized fields.

Some types of livestock production never change!

- Agricultural Educator ❑
- Animal Biologist ❑
- Animal Breeder ❑
- Animal Caretaker ❑
- Animal Groomer ❑
- Animal Health Salesperson ❑
- Animal Nutritionist ❑
- Animal Pharmaceutical Researcher/Consultant ❑
- Animal Scientist ❑
- Animal Trainer ❑
- Animal Welfare Inspector ❑
- Aquaculturist ❑
- Artificial Insemination Distributor ❑
- Broiler/Breeder Representative ❑
- College Agriculture Educator ❑
- Companion/Recreational Animal Manager ❑
- Dairy Producer ❑
- DNA Technician ❑
- Embryo Transfer Technician ❑
- Equine Manager ❑
- Farmer ❑
- Farrier ❑
- Food & Drug Administration Manager ❑
- Feed Mill Manager/Supervisor ❑
- Feed Mill Operator ❑
- Feed Sales Representative ❑
- Feed Sales Specialist ❑
- Hatchery Manager ❑
- Hatchery Processor/Laborer ❑
- Hatchery Supervisor ❑
- International Quarantine Facility Manager ❑
- Kennel Operator ❑
- Laboratory Animal Technician ❑
- Live Haul Chicken/Turkey Catcher ❑
- Live Haul Manager/Supervisor ❑
- Live Receiving Worker ❑
- Livestock Business Retail Owner/Manager ❑
- Livestock Business Wholesale Owner/Manager ❑
- Livestock Buyer ❑
- Livestock Geneticist ❑
- Livestock Inspector ❑
- Livestock Producer ❑
- Meat Science Researcher ❑
- Ornithologist ❑
- Pet Store Manager ❑
- Poultry Manager ❑
- Rancher ❑
- Reproductive Physiologist ❑
- Sire Handling Manager ❑
- Specialty Livestock Producer ❑
- Taxidermist ❑
- USDA Inspector ❑
- Vaccinator ❑
- Veterinarian ❑
- Veterinary Assistant ❑
- Veterinary Technician ❑
- Zoo Manager ❑

CAREER TIP #2

CAREER RESUME:
Build your career foundation with job shadow or internship experiences. Ask your teachers and guidance counselors for opportunities within your community. Include these experiences on your career resume.

"Working with animals is wonderful. Being able to save someone's best friend is the greatest feeling in the world."
Bobbi Jo – Veterinary Assistant

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Power Structural & Technical Systems Pathway

This avenue is truly technology in action! It leads to a variety of work environments. Individuals can apply their ingenuity, design and creativity skills resulting in technological studies and advancements.

- ❑ Agriculture Applications Software Developer/Programmer
- ❑ Agriculture Diesel Mechanic
- ❑ Agriculture Electrician
- ❑ Agriculture Engineer
- ❑ Agriculture Engineering Specialist
- ❑ Agriculture Equipment Designer
- ❑ Agriculture Equipment Repair Technician
- ❑ Agriculture Safety Engineer
- ❑ Animal Equipment Manufacturer
- ❑ Automation Specialist
- ❑ Communication/Telecommunication Technician
- ❑ Computer Analyst
- ❑ Computer Service Support Technician
- ❑ Database Administrator
- ❑ Electronics Systems Technician
- ❑ Equipment/Parts Manager
- ❑ Extension Agent
- ❑ Fork Lift Operator
- ❑ Golf, Turf Equipment Repair Technician
- ❑ GPS Technician
- ❑ Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technician
- ❑ Information Lab Specialist
- ❑ Irrigation Engineer
- ❑ Land Surveyor
- ❑ Machine Operator
- ❑ Machinist
- ❑ Maintenance Manager/Coordinator
- ❑ Nanotechnician
- ❑ Outdoor Power Equipment Repair Technician
- ❑ Recycling Technician
- ❑ Refrigeration/Ammonia Mechanic
- ❑ Remote Sensing Specialist
- ❑ Renewable Energy Specialist
- ❑ Safety Inspector
- ❑ Station Mechanic
- ❑ Truck Driver
- ❑ Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator
- ❑ Welder

Working with equipment used in producing biodiesel is technology in action. "New fuels" are fast becoming a necessity.

"Starting my own corporation was founded on many of the principals and "hands on" skills I learned while involved with the FFA and my high school agriculture program."
Mark – Corporate Owner/Entrepreneur of an Automation and Controls Industry

"Confidence and independence has allowed me to be a successful entrepreneur. Agriculture is where I want to stay!"
Bradley – Heavy Equipment Truck Owner/Operator

CAREER TIP #2

LEARN BY DOING:
Be willing to learn on-the-job and begin with simple duties. Keep your goals in sight and remain patient along the way. Doing this will help you climb the ladder to career success!

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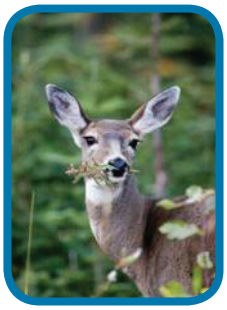
Natural Resources System Pathway

This pathway can lead you to environmental links that make real world differences. Passions for natural resources can be sparked. It gives microscopic and magnified views of resources revolving around nature's action and adventure.



CAREER TIP #4

MOVING ON:
When you find yourself changing careers or linking up with a new company or business, provide your current employer with at least a two week notice. It is simply polite to do in the career world.

"What I do today will affect future generations. Having an open mind in land use planning and having an understanding of agriculture will help me make correct decisions."
Jeff – Land Use/Code Enforcement Specialist

Environmental clean-up is considered an agricultural field!

- Animal Behaviorist ❑
- Cartographer/Photogrammetrist ❑
- Ecologist ❑
- Environmentalist ❑
- Fire Warden ❑
- Fish & Game Officer ❑
- Fish Hatchery Manager ❑
- Fisheries Technician ❑
- Forester ❑
- Forest Supervisor ❑
- Forest Technician ❑
- Game Farm Supervisor ❑
- Game Warden ❑
- Geological Test Technician ❑
- Geologist ❑
- Glass Industry Manager ❑
- Hazardous Materials Technician ❑
- Heavy Equipment Operator ❑
- Hydrologist ❑
- Log Grader/Scaler ❑
- Logger ❑
- Logging Tractor Operator ❑
- Lumber Mill Operator ❑
- Mining/Geological Engineer ❑
- Nursery Operator ❑
- Park Manager ❑
- Pulp & Paper Manager ❑
- Range Manager ❑
- Range Technician ❑
- Soil Conservationist ❑
- Soil Geology Technician ❑
- Soil Scientist ❑
- Toxicologist ❑
- Urban Forester ❑
- Water Monitoring Technician ❑
- Wildlife Biologist ❑
- Wildlife Manager ❑
- Youth Program Director ❑

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Environmental Service System Pathway

Sound management ideas and principles can be applied within this pathway. It offers opportunities to promote environmental security through proactive avenues. Study, analysis and visionary applications give excitement to these careers.

"From my point of view, staying in tune is critical with the environmental standards."
Jason – Landfill Supervisor

- ❑ Bio-security Agent
- ❑ Environmental Compliance Assurance Manager
- ❑ Environmental Sampling & Analysis Scientist
- ❑ Environmental Specialist
- ❑ Excavation
- ❑ Green Energy Ethanol Specialist
- ❑ Green Energy Methane Specialist
- ❑ Green Energy Solar Specialist
- ❑ Green Energy Wind Power Specialist
- ❑ Hazardous Materials Manager
- ❑ Health & Safety Manager/Technician
- ❑ Health & Safety Sanitarian
- ❑ Odor Control Manager
- ❑ Pest Control Manager
- ❑ Pollution Prevention & Control Manager
- ❑ Recycling Engineer
- ❑ Solid Waste Disposer & Recycler
- ❑ Solid Waste Manager
- ❑ Solid Waste Recycler
- ❑ Toxicologist
- ❑ Waste Recovery System Analyst
- ❑ Waste Water Manager
- ❑ Water Environment Manager
- ❑ Water Quality Manager
- ❑ Water Reclamation Specialist
- ❑ Wind Energy Technician

Solid waste/recycling has become an increasingly important occupation area.

CAREER TIP #5

ENJOYMENT:
Enjoyment is a necessity in life. Avoid looking for an occupation just for the pay. You will be happier and work more efficiently and effectively if you do something you are truly interested in and enjoy!

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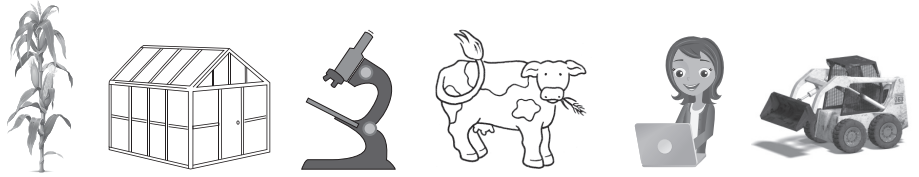
If I had a career in Agriculture I would be...



WIND ENERGY TECHNICIAN
Station Mechanic
Agriculture Applications Software Developer/Programmer
COOK/CHEF
Agricultural Business Cooperative Manager
Artificial Insemination Distributor
Agriculture Business Consultant
Feed Mill Operator
Cartographer/Photogrammetrist
Vaccinator
AERIAL CROP DUSTER
Glass Industry Manager
Desktop Publisher
Dairy Herd Supervisor
MARINATOR
FOREST SUPERVISOR
Hydrologist
FOOD PREPARER
Agricultural Educator
Dairy Farmer
ANIMAL BREEDER
Cheese Maker
MEAT GRADER
Botanist
Embryo Transfer Technician
INTERNATIONAL SALES PERSON
Toxicologist
Farm Products
Soil Geology Technician
Companion/Recreational Animal Manager
GREEN ENERGY METHANE SPECIALIST
Microbiologist
Golf, Turf Equipment Repair Technician
AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL DEALER
Fertilizer Sales Representative
Hazardous Materials Manager
FORK LIFT OPERATOR
Hatchery Processor/Laborer
FOOD & DRUG INSPECTOR
Agricultural Engineer
Custom Hay Silage Operator
Field Representative
Waste Recovery System Analyst
Animal Pharmaceutical Researcher/Consultant
Agriculture Insurance Specialist
Agriculture Diesel Mechanic
AQUACULTURIST
ELECTRONICS SYSTEMS TECHNICIAN
Agriculture Economist
RECYCLING ENGINEER
GAME WARDEN
College Agricultural Educator
WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST
Food & Fiber Engineer
Crop Farm Manager
ANIMAL BIOLOGIST
FOOD MEAL SUPERVISOR
AGRONOMIST
Park Manager
USDA Inspector
Agriculture Attorney
Bio-security Agent
Food Broker
Landscape Worker
Feed Sales Representative
INVENTORY WORKER
AGRICULTURE SAFETY ENGINEER
SIRE HANDLING MANAGER
Agriculture Sales Representative
Agriculture Equipment Repair Technician
Green Energy Wind Power Specialist
Animal Nutritionist
PLANT BREEDER/GENETICIST
Environmentalist
Agriculture Radio Personality
EXTENSION AGENT
Veterinary Assistant
Animal Groomer
EXCAVATION
Telemarketer
4-H Youth Agent
FOOD INSPECTOR
Human Resources Manager
MEAT CUTTER
FIRE WARDEN
Environmental Sampling & Analysis Scientist
Food Service Worker
ANIMAL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER
LIVESTOCK BREEDER
REPRODUCTIVE PHYSIOLOGIST
MACHINE OPERATOR
ANIMAL CARETAKER
MACHINIST
Soil & Plant Scientist
Animal Welfare Inspector
Agriculture Tourism Manager
Agriculture Commodity Broker
WATER QUALITY MANAGER
Agriculture Engineering Specialist
Hatchery Supervisor
Range Technician
ADVERTISER/MARKETER
LIVESTOCK GENETICIST
Extension Agent
Data Analyst
AUTOMATION SPECIALIST
Food Product Developer
Computer Analyst
Animal Health Salesperson
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Grain Inspector
Renewable Energy Specialist
Biotechnology Lab Technician
Agriculture Insurance Agent
Production Supervisor/Manager
ORGANIC CERTIFICATION SPECIALIST
Field Represent
Remote Sensing Specialist
Grain Operations Superintendent
WELDER
RANCHER

Computer Programmer
Odor Control Manager
Refrigeration/Ammonia Mechanic
Farmer
Safety Inspector
Meat Toxicologist
Agriculture Electrician
Soil & Water Specialist
Waste Water Manager
Feed Mill Manager/Supervisor
Agricultural Consultant
TREE SURGEON
Continuous Process Improvement Coordinator
International Trade/Export Manager
Urban Forester
Golf Course Superintendent
Animal Scientist
TRUCK DRIVER
Geological Test Technician
SALES REPRESENTATIVE
Feed Sales Specialist
MEAT INSPECTOR
Nursery Operator
Pest Control Manager
Agribusiness Owner/Manager
Farrier
TURF MANAGER
Log Grader/Scaler
Produce Commission Agent
Live Receiving Worker
ORIENTATOR
Food Processor
Animal Behaviorist
DIETICIAN
Field Service Representative
Solid Waste Manager
LIVESTOCK BUYER
Soil Conservationist
Forest Geneticist
Auctioneer
Zoo Manager
AG LOAN OFFICER
Irrigation Engineer
Meat Science Researcher
College Agriculture Educator
Heavy Equipment Operator
Green Energy Solar Specialist
Feed & Supply Store Manager
LIVESTOCK SELLER
Translator
Veterinarian
GEOLOGIST
PLANT PATHOLOGIST
Marketing & Brand Manager
Agriculture Equipment Designer
AGRICULTURAL EDUCATOR
SHIPPING/RECEIVING
HR REPRESENTATIVE
GAME FARM SUPERVISOR
MEAT SCIENCE RESEARCHER
VINECULTURIST
Ecologist
Systems/Protocol Trainer
Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technician
Livestock Business Wholesale Owner/Manager
PURCHASING AGENT & BUYER
PRODUCTION/LEAD WORKER
Water Environment Manager
HS Agricultural Educator
Hazardous Materials Technician
PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER
Lumber Mill Operator
Health & Safety Sanitarian
Stock Broker/Trader
Livestock Business Retail Owner/Manager
Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator
Live Receiving Worker
Farmer (Livestock, Crop, Fruit, Vegetable)
LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR
Agricultural Tourism Host
Grain Elevator Manager
Broiler/Breeder Representative
Greenhouse Manager
LIVESTOCK PRODUCER
REAL ESTATE BROKER
RETAIL PROCESSING WORKER
FISH & GAME OFFICER
Agriculture Industry Accounting Specialist
KENNEL OPERATOR
Agriculture Products Buyer
Solid Waste Disposer & Recycler
SPECIALTY LIVESTOCK PRODUCER
Animal Health Products Distributor
FOREST TECHNICIAN
Recycling Technician
Milk Plant Supervisor
PHOTOGRAPHER
DNA Technician
Landscape Architect
Maintenance Manager/Coordinator
Cost Accountant
Logger
Chemical Sales Representative
Water Monitoring Technician
Crop Insurance Specialist
Lawn Care Technician
Pollution Prevention & Control Manager
Feed Ration Developer & Analyst
Plant Business Wholesale Owner/Manager
Taxidermist
Tree Farm Manager (Christmas, Specialty)
YOUTH PROGRAM DIRECTOR
Nutritionist
SEED FARMER
ORNITHOLOGIST
JOURNALIST/WRITER
RANCHER
Pulp & Paper Manager
Agriculture Commodity Trading Advisor
Orchard Owner
Trainer
GREEN ENERGY ETHANOL SPECIALIST
Biochemist
FISHERIES TECHNICIAN
Environmental Compliance Assurance Manager
Microbiologist
Laboratory Animal Technician
ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST
POULTRY MANAGER
Plant Business Retail Owner/Manager
DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR
FISH HATCHERY MANAGER
Electronic Media Coordinator
LAND SURVEYOR
FORESTER
RANCHER
Equine Manager
Solid Waste Recycler
ORGANIC FARMER
Biomedical Engineer
International Quarantine Facility Manager
Ag Commodity Marketing Specialist
Mining/Geological Engineer
Agriculture Loan Officer/Banker
Outdoor Power Equipment Repair Technician
WATER RECLAMATION SPECIALIST
Food Scientist
Grower
HR GENERALIST
Equipment Sales Representative
Packager
Soil Scientist
Live Haul Chicken/Turkey Catcher
Live Haul Manager/Supervisor
Quality Control Specialist
Arborist
Communication/Telecommunication Technician
Florist/Floral Design
Veterinary Technician
TOXICOLOGIST
Nanotechnician
FDA Manager
Webmaster
GPS Technician
Hydroponics Grower
PET STORE MANAGER
STORAGE SUPERVISOR
Health & Safety Manager/Technician
Graphic Designer/Artist
Hatchery Manager
Information Lab Specialist
Farmer

Agribusiness Systems Pathway

Holding an interest in agribusiness basics will be part of the foundation in this pathway. Individuals can branch off into a variety of careers. Finding the right career connection will yield agribusiness success!

Farm management is still one of the most important careers in our state . . . and our world.

"Selling products and building connections between consumers and the land fosters respect. Itís enjoyable to work hard to safely and sustainably produce food and fiber for our communities."
Jill and Craig - Agribusiness Entrepreneurs

CAREER TIP #6

BALANCE:
Everyone working in a career also has a "home life." To minimize stress, keep things in balance. Try to complete your work assignments while on-the-job before heading home for the day.

- Administrative Assistant ❑
- Advertiser/Marketer ❑
- Agribusiness Owner/Manager ❑
- Agricultural Business Cooperative Manager ❑
- Agricultural Chemical Dealer ❑
- Agricultural Tourism Host ❑
- Agriculture Attorney ❑
- Agriculture Business Consultant ❑
- Agriculture Commodity Broker ❑
- Agriculture Commodity Trading Advisor ❑
- Agriculture Economist ❑
- Agriculture Insurance Specialist ❑
- Agricultural Educator ❑
- Agriculture Industry Accounting Specialist ❑
- Agriculture Insurance Agent ❑
- Agriculture Loan Officer/Banker ❑
- Agriculture Products Buyer ❑
- Agriculture Radio Personality ❑
- Agriculture Tourism Manager ❑
- Animal Health Products Distributor ❑
- Auctioneer ❑
- Chemical Sales Representative ❑
- Cost Accountant ❑
- Custodial Service Specialist ❑
- Dairy Herd Supervisor ❑
- Data Analyst ❑
- Desktop Publisher ❑
- Electronic Media Coordinator ❑
- Equipment Sales Representative ❑
- Farm Investment Manager ❑
- Farmer ❑
- Farm or Ranch Owner/Manager ❑
- Feed & Supply Store Manager ❑
- Feed Ration Developer & Analyst ❑
- Feedlot Operator ❑
- Fertilizer Sales Representative ❑
- Field Representative ❑
- Field Service Representative ❑
- 4-H Youth Agent ❑
- Graphic Designer/Artist ❑
- Human Resources Manager ❑
- Human Resources Generalist ❑
- Human Resources Representative ❑
- International Trade/Export Manager ❑
- International Sales Person ❑
- Inventory Worker ❑
- Journalist/Writer ❑
- Livestock Breeder ❑
- Livestock Seller ❑
- Orientator ❑
- Photographer ❑
- Produce Commission Agent ❑
- Production/Lead Worker ❑
- Production Supervisor/Manager ❑
- Public Relations Manager ❑
- Rancher ❑
- Real Estate Broker ❑
- Sales Manager ❑
- Shipping/Receiving ❑
- Stock Broker/Trader ❑
- Systems/Protocol Trainer ❑
- Telemarketer ❑
- Trainer ❑
- Translator ❑
- Webmaster ❑

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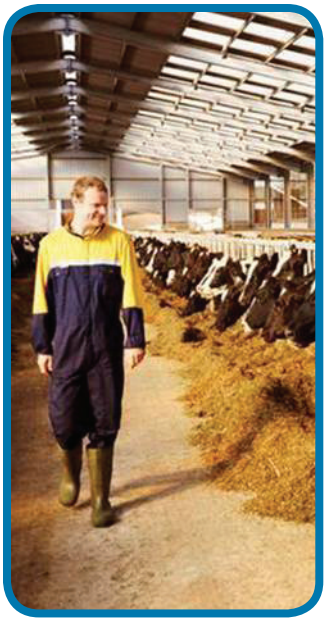
Food Products & Processing Pathway

Food is at the core of careers within this pathway. These careers will help in securing the journey of food from field to plate. It can allow you to apply skills from basic to highly scientific. Your career world will be colorful with this broad hue of career possibilities!

- ❑ Agricultural Consultant
- ❑ Agriculture Sales Representative
- ❑ Biochemist
- ❑ Biomedical Engineer
- ❑ Cheese Maker
- ❑ Continuous Process Improvement Coordinator
- ❑ Cook/Chef
- ❑ Dietician
- ❑ Farm Products
- ❑ Field Representative
- ❑ Food & Drug Inspector
- ❑ Food & Fiber Engineer
- ❑ Food Broker
- ❑ Food Inspector
- ❑ Food Preparation Supervisor
- ❑ Food Preparer
- ❑ Food Processor
- ❑ Food Product Developer
- ❑ Food Scientist
- ❑ Food Service Worker
- ❑ Grain Elevator Manager
- ❑ Grain Inspector
- ❑ Marinator
- ❑ Marketing & Brand Manager
- ❑ Meat Cutter
- ❑ Meat Grader
- ❑ Meat Inspector
- ❑ Meat Science Researcher
- ❑ Meat Toxicologist
- ❑ Microbiologist
- ❑ Milk Plant Supervisor
- ❑ Nutritionist
- ❑ Packager
- ❑ Purchasing Agent & Buyer
- ❑ Quality Control Specialist
- ❑ Retail Processing Worker
- ❑ Storage Supervisor

"Challenge yourself at the cutting edge of the food trends and lead the nation in new eating experiences!"
Michelle – Food Scientist



CAREER TIP #7

LEARNING IS LIFE-LONG:
It's never too late to go back to school. If extra training is required for that "dream career," get the training and move on to a career that is compatible with your passion and skills.

Food and drug inspectors have become crucial positions in today's society.

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Identifying Careers

Your career is about you... Take a moment, look inside yourself and identify the activities that you enjoy, are good at and those you don't like as much. It's important to identify both, to assist you on the pathway leading to career satisfaction! List them in the spaces below:

• Activities/Talents/Skills/Hobbies that I enjoy:	• Activities I've participated in that I don't enjoy as much:

About You...

Circle all words or phrases that help to describe you:

Conscientious Mechanical Athletic Practical
Scientific Persuasive People Skills Curious
Independent Creative Observant Helpful
Organized Out-Going Friendly Enthusiastic
Sociable Leader Mediator Computer Literate
Artistic Volunteer Perceptive Communicator
Humorist Idealistic Innovative Energetic
Precise Understanding Methodical Assertive
Empathetic Industrious Ingenuitive Musical
Self-Starter Loner Shy Articulate Political
Responsible Optimistic Patient Self-Confident
Numerically Inclined Insightful Efficient Quiet
Accurate Intuitive Nature-Lover Analytical
Cooperative Expressive Private Outdoorsman
Well-Groomed Straight-Forward Imaginative

Happiness Counts!

After reviewing your answers above, list career areas or types of jobs that you can see yourself being happy with (i.e.: working with numbers):

_____ _____

_____ _____

A Career Adds Up

Pathways Lead To a Career... A Career Adds Up...

Pathway	Career	Median Salary	Salary Range	The Real Plus...
Plant	Landscape Worker	$23,900	$16,000-$37,200	Outdoor Work
	Marketing Manager	$91,400	$48,500-$145,000	Independent
Animal	Animal Trainer	$23,200	$15,900-$48,300	Close to Animals
	Veterinarian	$67,000	$44,200-$106,500	Keeping Animals Healthy
Power Structural & Technical	Truck Driver	$28,000	$21,700-$41,300	See Lots of Country
	Agriculture Engineer	$66,200	$50,200-$95,000	Invent & Design
Natural Resources	Hazardous Mat. Worker	$40,500	$28,200-$57,200	Offers Challenges
	Hydrologist	$61,200	$44,000-$91,100	Variety of Work
Environmental Service	Pest Control Worker	$29,000	$23,600-$44,200	Every Day is Different
	Biochemist	$46,700	$37,900-$109,100	Rewarding Research
Agribusiness	Insurance Agent	$44,100	$26,800-$145,000	Helping People
	Data Comm. Analyst	$59,400	$41,200-$86,300	Computer Connections
Food Products & Processing	Food Serving Worker	$15,800	$14,100-$22,300	Make People Happy
	Food Scientist	$46,600	$28,800-$90,700	Keeping Our Food Safe

Careers By You...

A penny saved is a penny earned!

Which career did you select?

_____

SUBTRACT: Total monthly wages $ _____

\- Total monthly expenses $ _____

Remaining Money $ _____

How can you responsibly use your remaining money?

A:

Budgeting Makes Smart Sense - Your Career Counts! Estimate Your Monthly Expenses	
Rent	$
Utilities	$
Food	$
Car Payment	$
Insurance (health and car)	$
Fuel for transportation	$
Entertainment or for fun	$
Clothing purchases	$
Charitable donations	$
Miscellaneous costs	$
TOTAL EXPENSES	$

Your Career Counts... Everyday... Every Month... Every Year!

Career Trivia Hunt

The following questions pertain to any career. Ask people one or two of the below questions. Record the people's first name, job, and answer. When finished, each question should have a response.

Q: *Why did you select the career you did?*	**Q: *What do you like best about yours?***
Name: **Job:** **A:**	**Name:** **Job:** **A:**
Q: *What do you like least about your career?*	**Q: *What has been the greatest challenge in your career?***
Name: **Job:** **A:**	**Name:** **Job:** **A:**
Q: *Do you enjoy your career? Why?*	**Q: *How do you believe you are "making a difference" through your career?***
Name: **Job:** **A:**	**Name:** **Job:** **A:**
Q: *What skills do you use most while on the job?*	**Q: *What advice do you have for those selecting careers in today's world?***
Name: **Job:** **A:**	**Name:** **Job:** **A:**

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