**THIRD YEAR**

- **Make your education a high priority in your life!**
- **Be sure to register for classes as soon as possible, as upper level courses fill up quickly.**
- **Plan ahead for the courses that you want to take in the future so that you can be sure to complete all prerequisites before registering.**
- **Community Engaged Service Learning Scholarship (EEMS 4381 & 4382 or CESL 3301 & 3302) are two-semester capstone courses. You will need to have junior standing in order to take them. Take these your junior year, and take two semesters of Interdisciplinary Seminar Series (EEMS 4191 & 4192) in your senior year.**
- **If you have any problems during registration, please contact the School Director immediately to see if the problem can be fixed at the departmental level.**

**Graduation requirements:** Minimum 2.50 GPA; at least 42 upper division/advanced hours overall.

### Degree Info

The interdisciplinary SAFS major serves students interested in working in modern food and agricultural systems and improving the sustainability of those systems. Graduates are ready for careers in agricultural production, food system management, health professions related to food and nutrition, community and economic development, and public policy and analysis.

**Agriculture & Ecology students study:**
- Sustainable crop and livestock production systems
- Ecology, and practices that mitigate negative impacts while producing environmental and social benefits

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**FIRST YEAR**

**SECOND YEAR**

**FOURTH YEAR**

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**Additional Info**

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First Year

- Enroll in a Writing Center and a Learning Center. Make it a point to visit them!
- Complete your core English classes (section 010) during your first year.
- Complete 30 credit hours every year in order to graduate in 4 years.
- Shoot for a GPA of 3.5-4.0. If you are pursuing a healthcare profession, you will need a competitive GPA.
- Take MATH 1342 or 1343 in your first year.
- Meet with your academic advisor and bring your orientation folder with you to every session!
- Choose a major with confidence—visit the My UTRGV website and check out My Majors.
- Attend a faculty member during their office hours and ask a question about the ideas discussed in class.
- Cultivate professional relationships with faculty in your major.
- Classes fill up fast. When registration opens, be sure to register on the first day for your group.
- Gold or fly getting you down? We have Student Health Services on campus with free office visits.
- Look for a service-learning course for guidance, visit the Engagement Zone, and attend the Student Community Service Project.
- Ask a student in class to study with you.
- Set up your profile on the Engagement Zone through My UTRGV.edu.
- Attend a diversity-based campus or community event (e.g., Mix Day of Service).
- Attend a departmental program such as invited seminar speakers.
- Join a student organization such as the Pre-Med/Bio-Med club! Visit UTRGV.edu/vlink for options.
- Create a résumé and set up your profile on the Handshake icon: www.utrgv.edu/careercenter.
- Get summer plans? Visit Career Center or the student organization in your intended field (e.g., pre-Vol Club) and ask about places to do some job shadowing.
- Research shows that students who work on campus perform better than those who work off campus. Look for a job on Handshake!
- Check your UTRGV email for a daily, monthly, and attendance reminder. Attend at least one student workshop.
- Update your resume in Handshake and have it reviewed.
- Have a plan for after graduation. If this describes you, great!! If not, visit your Career Advisor or Career Center!
- Shoot for a GPA of 3.5-4.0.
- Complete 30 credit hours.
- If pursuing a healthcare profession: During summer register for a summer enrichment or graduate/professional school entrance exam prep course.
- Complete major foundation classes, such as Ecology, Evolution, and Genetics.
- Complete 30 credit hours.

Second Year

- Complete major foundation classes, such as Agriculture or food, Soil or plant sciences.
- Complete 30 credit hours.
- If pursuing a healthcare profession: During summer register for a summer enrichment or graduate/professional school entrance exam prep course.
- Complete major foundation classes, such as Agriculture or food, Soil or plant sciences.
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