



Graduate Certificate Animal Science

CONTINUING AND DISTANCE EDUCATION

What if you could more effectively pursue your work with animals? What if you could better ensure they stay safe and remain productive? What if you could not only manage and maintain herds but help grow them? You don't have to write a thesis or spend years in a master's program to develop a more skilled approach to animal science. SDState Online's certificate provides you with specialized training in the field, all through the accessible format of online learning. Study under SDSU's leading animal science faculty and benefit from their unique experiences and qualifications in the animalscience discipline.

PERSONALIZING YOUR PROGRAM

Animal Science is a 12-credit program designed to provide rigorous post-graduate instruction for those who wish to continue their training in the treatment and care of animals as well as the processing of animal products. Your studies will cover an advanced understanding of meat science, the selection process for domestic animals, the physiology of reproduction as well as nutrition for either ruminant or monogastric animals.

All courses are hosted online through AG*IDEA, an affiliate of the Great Plains Interactive Distance Education Alliance. GPIDEA is a partnership of 20 public universities providing access to the best educational opportunities. GPIDEA offers fully-online graduate and undergraduate program options in high-demand professional fields. Find professors who have researched and specialized in a specific topic of interest to you and benefit from their knowledge, all through your home institution of SDSU.

CONSIDERING YOUR FINANCES

AG*IDEA ensures that no matter which courses you pick, your annual costs stay the same. Courses in Animal Science cost \$515.00 per credit hour for 2014-15 and may change from year to year. This price includes all tuition and fees. Books and other course materials are not included. No other course fees are charged. Financial aid is available. Make sure to complete your FAFSA to determine your grant and loan opportunities. Call SDSU's Financial Aid Office for additional inquiries: 605-688-4695 or 800-952-3541.



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1 Broaden your perspective as you interact online with students across the country. Participate in class through e-mail, chats, discussion boards and other interactive methods.

2 With distance learning at SDSU you receive instruction from the same professors who teach at our main campus in Brookings.

Statistics:

Certificates are the most common form of post-secondary education.

In 2010-11, U.S. schools awarded more than 1 million certificates.

People who choose to pursue a certificate after high school make an average of 20% more than those who receive no additional education.



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Focusing On Your Goals

YES, THE ANIMAL SCIENCE CERTIFICATE IS FOR YOU!

Educators

Offer your students a more robust understanding of agricultural practices and the possibilities available to them in the biological sciences.

Extension Agents

Take your application of scientific research and knowledge to a more detailed and nuanced level as you equip ranchers, farmers and production specialists to enter the workforce.

Animal Production Specialists

Adopt a more comprehensive and integrated approach to your work, providing a specialized perspective for herd selection and meat analysis, and learn to consider other environmental factors in guaranteeing the quality of a product.

Feed Specialists

Bring a highly specific understanding of animal physiology and anatomy to your work in identifying, selling and creating suitable feed for various herds and kinds of livestock.

Pharmaceutical Researchers

Account for differences between species and herds both pre- and post-production as you examine indicators of healthy growth, improving and evaluating meat for public consumption.

MORE INFORMATION

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What is MyState?

MyState is an all-inclusive campus page personalized to you as an SDSU student. Gather information on upcoming courses, registration details, textbooks, current course schedules, your tuition bill and faculty contact information. Staying on track is easy with this central source of information for your online program.

How do I check class availability for next semester?

Click the Web Advisor link for information on all of the course offerings in a semester. You can refine your search according to program area, course level, day and time restrictions and preferred instructor. Web Advisor helps ensure you choose courses that fit your program requirements, schedule and interests.

How do I check my campus email?

For any correspondence from professors or classmates, you can click the email link to sign in on MyState

How do I find my list of required texts for class?

Simple! Click the MyState Textbooks link and look up your courses. All required books will be listed below each course.

What else?

Through MyState, you can view your academic transcript, apply for scholarships and receive standard SDSU updates. When questions arise, MyState can help you on your Jackrabbit journey from start to finish.



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