

Poultry Science (BS): Technology Concentration

Curricula

Students desiring a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Poultry Science may choose either the science or technology curriculum offered by the Prestage Department of Poultry Science. Students interested in research or veterinary/medical fields can meet the pre-requisites for these professional schools through the science concentration. These students are also better prepared for advanced study in various disciplines such as genetics, nutrition, physiology, and pathology. The technology curriculum in Poultry Science allows a greater selection of courses in business and economics; and offers a student both basic and applied knowledge in poultry production which can be utilized in the poultry or allied industries upon graduation. One may obtain a double major in other curricula through careful use of electives and/or summer school attendance. These students should consult the undergraduate advisers in the department(s) concerned.

Career Opportunities

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Plan Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Orientation		
PO 290	Exploring Opportunities in Poultry Science	2
Communications		
ENG 101	Academic Writing and Research ¹	4
COM 110	Public Speaking	3
or COM 112	Interpersonal Communication	
Select one of the following Advanced Communication courses:		3
ENG 331	Communication for Engineering and Technology	
ENG 332	Communication for Business and Management	
ENG 333	Communication for Science and Research	
Social Sciences & Business		
ARE 201	Introduction to Agricultural & Resource Economics	3
Business/Finance Elective (p. 2)		6
Physical and Biological Science		
MA 107	Precalculus I	3

Select one of the following Math Electives: 3

MA 114	Introduction to Finite Mathematics with Applications	
MA 121	Elements of Calculus	
MA 131	Calculus for Life and Management Sciences A	
MA 141	Calculus I	

BIO 181 Introductory Biology: Ecology, Evolution, and Biodiversity 4

BIO 183 Introductory Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology 4

CH 101 Chemistry - A Molecular Science and General Chemistry Laboratory ¹ 4

Select one of the following Organic Chemistry courses: 4

CH 220 Introductory Organic Chemistry and Organic Chemistry I Lab

CH 221 Organic Chemistry I and Organic Chemistry I Lab

PY 131 Conceptual Physics 4

or PY 211 College Physics I

GN 301 Genetics in Human Affairs 3

or ANS 215 Agricultural Genetics

MB 351 General Microbiology 4

& MB 352 and General Microbiology Laboratory

Departmental Requirements

PO 201 Poultry Science and Production and Poultry Science and Production Laboratory ¹ 4

PO 322 Muscle Foods and Eggs ¹ 3

or PO 433 Poultry Processing and Products

PO 404 Avian Anatomy and Physiology 4

PO 415 Comparative Nutrition ¹ 3

PO 435 Poultry Incubation & Breeding ¹ 4

PO 401 Poultry Diseases 4

PO-FM Restricted Electives (p.) ¹ 6

PO-FM Electives (p.) ¹ 3

GEP Courses

GEP Humanities (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-humanities/>) 6

GEP Social Sciences (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-social-sciences/>) 3

GEP Health and Exercise Studies (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-health-exercise-studies/>) 2

GEP Elective (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/>) 3

GEP Interdisciplinary Perspectives (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-interdisciplinary-perspectives/>) 6

GEP Global Knowledge (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-global-knowledge/>) (verify requirement)

GEP Foundations of American Democracy (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-fad/>) (verify requirement)

World Language Proficiency (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/world-language-proficiency/>) (verify requirement)

Free Electives

Free Electives (12 Hr S/U Lmt) ²	15
Total Hours	120

¹ A grade of C- or higher is required.

² Students should consult their academic advisors to determine which courses fill this requirement.

Business/Finance Electives

Code	Title	Hours
ACC 210	Concepts of Financial Reporting	3
ACC 220	Introduction to Managerial Accounting	3
ACC 280	Survey of Financial and Managerial Accounting	3
ARE 215	Small Business Accounting	3
ARE 301	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
ARE 303	Farm Management	3
ARE 304	Agribusiness Management	3
ARE 306	Agricultural Law	3
ARE 309	Environmental Law & Economic Policy	3
ARE 311	Agricultural Markets	3
ARE 312	Agribusiness Marketing	3
ARE 321	Agricultural Financial Management	3
ARE 332	Human Resource Management for Agribusiness	3
ARE 336	Introduction to Resource and Environmental Economics	3
BUS 225	Personal Finance	3
EC 202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
EC 301	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
EC 302	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
EC 305	A Closer Look at Capitalism	3
EC 336	Introduction to Resource and Environmental Economics	3
EC 348	Introduction to International Economics	3
MIE 201	Introduction to Business	3

PO-FM Restricted Electives

Code	Title	Hours
PO 340	Live Poultry and Poultry Product Evaluation, Grading, and Inspection	3
PO 410	Production and Management of Game Birds in Confinement	3
PO 421	Commercial Egg Production	3
PO 424	Poultry Meat Production	3

PO-FM Electives

Code	Title	Hours
PO 212	Poultry and People	3
PO 325	Aspects of Animal Welfare	3
PO 340	Live Poultry and Poultry Product Evaluation, Grading, and Inspection	3
PO 410	Production and Management of Game Birds in Confinement	3
PO 411	Agrosecurity	3

PO 412	Emerging Topics in Poultry Science	3
PO 421	Commercial Egg Production	3
PO 424	Poultry Meat Production	3
PO 425	Feed Manufacturing Technology	3
PO 426	Feed Manufacturing Technology Laboratory	1
PO 492	External Learning Experience	1-6
PO 493	Special Problems in Poultry Science	1-6
PO 495	Special Topics in Poultry Science	1-3

Semester Sequence

This is a sample.

First Year

Fall Semester	Hours
PO 290 Exploring Opportunities in Poultry Science	2
ENG 101 Academic Writing and Research	4
MA 107 Precalculus I	3
PO 201 Poultry Science and Production ¹	3
PO 202 Poultry Science and Production Laboratory ¹	1
BIO 181 Introductory Biology: Ecology, Evolution, and Biodiversity	4
Hours	17

Spring Semester

BIO 183 Introductory Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology	4
COM 110 Public Speaking or COM 112 or Interpersonal Communication	3
Select one of the following:	3
MA 114 Introduction to Finite Mathematics with Applications	
MA 121 Elements of Calculus	
MA 131 Calculus for Life and Management Sciences A	
MA 141 Calculus I	
GEP Social Sciences (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-social-sciences/)	3
Free Elective	3
Hours	16

Second Year**Fall Semester**

ARE 201 Introduction to Agricultural & Resource Economics	3
CH 101 Chemistry - A Molecular Science	3
CH 102 General Chemistry Laboratory	1
GEP Humanities (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-humanities/)	3
GEP Health and Exercise Studies (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-health-exercise-studies/)	1
PO-FM Restricted Electives (p.) ¹	3
Free Electives	3
Hours	17

Spring Semester

CH 221	Organic Chemistry I	3
CH 222	Organic Chemistry I Lab	1
ACC/ARE/BUS/EC Elective (p. 2)		3
GEP Humanities (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-humanities/)		3
Free Electives		3
Hours		13

Third Year**Fall Semester**

GN 301 or ANS 215	Genetics in Human Affairs or Agricultural Genetics	3
PO/ANS/FS 322 or PO 433	Muscle Foods and Eggs ¹ or Poultry Processing and Products	3
PO/ANS 415	Comparative Nutrition ¹	3
ACC/ARE/BUS/EC Elective (p. 2)		3
GEP Elective (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/)		3
Hours		15

Spring Semester

Select one of the following:		3
ENG 331	Communication for Engineering and Technology	
ENG 332	Communication for Business and Management	
ENG 333	Communication for Science and Research	
PO 424	Poultry Meat Production ¹	3
PO 425/ ANS 425 / FM 425	Feed Manufacturing Technology ¹	3
PO 435	Poultry Incubation & Breeding ¹	4
GEP Health and Exercise Studies (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-health-exercise-studies/)		1
Hours		14

Fourth Year**Fall Semester**

MB 351	General Microbiology	3
MB 352	General Microbiology Laboratory	1
PO 404	Avian Anatomy and Physiology	4
GEP Interdisciplinary Perspectives (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-interdisciplinary-perspectives/)		3
Free Elective		3
Hours		14

Spring Semester

PO 401	Poultry Diseases ¹	4
PY 131 or PY 211	Conceptual Physics or College Physics I	4
GEP Interdisciplinary Perspectives (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-interdisciplinary-perspectives/)		2

Free Elective	4
Hours	14
Total Hours	120

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Careers

- Live Operations
- Food Safety
- Sales and Marketing
- Quality Assurance
- Nutrition and Feed Manufacturing

Learn More About Careers

NCcareers.org (<https://nccareers.org/>)

Explore North Carolina's central online resource for students, parents, educators, job seekers and career counselors looking for high quality job and career information.

Occupational Outlook Handbook (<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/>)

Browse the Occupational Outlook Handbook published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics to view state and area employment and wage statistics. You can also identify and compare similar occupations based on your interests.

Career One Stop Videos (<https://www.careeronestop.org/>)

View videos that provide career details and information on wages, employment trends, skills needed, and more for any occupation. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Focus 2 Career Assessment (<https://careers.dasa.ncsu.edu/explore-careers/career-assessments/>) (NC State student email address required)

This career, major and education planning system is available to current NC State students to learn about how your values, interests, competencies, and personality fit into the NC State majors and your future career. An NC State email address is required to create an account. Make an appointment with your career counselor (<https://careers.dasa.ncsu.edu/about/hours-appointments/>) to discuss the results.

Focus 2 Apply Assessment (<https://www.focus2career.com/Portal/Register.cfm?SID=1929>) (Available to prospective students)

A career assessment tool designed to support prospective students in exploring and choosing the right major and career path based on your unique personality, interests, skills and values. Get started with Focus 2 Apply and see how it can guide your journey at NC State.

Ag. Careers (<https://www.agcareers.com/>)