AGRICULTURAL LEADERSHIP & SCIENCE EDUCATION: AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE EDUCATION, BS

for the degree of Bachelor of Science Major in Agricultural Leadership & Science Education, Agricultural Science Education concentration

The Bachelor of Science with a Major in Agricultural Leadership & Science Education curriculum prepares students for positions requiring expertise in formal and non-formal education. Examples include teaching agriculture in the public schools; cooperative extension work; training and program development; and other education-related positions in agricultural and environmental agencies and businesses.

A minimum of 126 hours is required for graduation. Students pursuing this major select from two concentrations: agricultural leadership education or agricultural science education. Students completing the agricultural science education concentration will be eligible for Illinois teacher certification in agricultural education, and will have instruction in key pedagogical areas as well as agriculture. For teacher education requirements applicable to all curricula, see the Council on Teacher Education (www.cote.illinois.edu/ (http://www.cote.illinois.edu/)).

The Agricultural Science Education concentration prepares students to teach agricultural science, agribusiness, agricultural mechanics and horticulture in Illinois high schools. State of Illinois certification requirements include a minimum of 2,000 hours of employment experience in agriculture. Teacher certification students must maintain a 2.5 GPA or above to remain in good standing. Review procedures are provided by the Council on Teacher Education.