

NATURAL RESOURCES CERTIFICATE

At the time of this publication, this program diploma is pending U.S. Department of Education approval, meaning federal financial aid (including Pell Grants and loans) is currently unavailable. Please contact the Financial Aid Office at 402-844-7285 for updates.

The Natural Resources certificate will provide students with a strong foundation in basic plant, crop and soil science principles needed for employment in agronomy or conservation. Students who already possess non-agriculture degrees will find this certificate provides valuable additional skills and knowledge when seeking employment with a government agency such as USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, conservation districts, or non-governmental organizations. It is strongly recommended that students consult with an advisor when selecting electives to ensure the credits will apply toward their career or advancement/promotion goals. This certificate can be completed in a single spring semester, but students should review the schedule to determine when approved electives are offered.

All coursework in the Natural Resources certificate is fully applicable toward the Natural Resources Associate of Science or College Transfer Associate of Science degrees.

Required Program of Study for Certificate (16 weeks)

Course	SPRING SEMESTER	Credits
AGRI 1131 Plant Science		3
AGRI 1132 Plant Science Lab		1
AGRI 1030 Soil Science		3
AGRI 1040 Soil Science Lab		1
Program Elective(s)*		8-9
Total Credit Hours		16-17

*Recommended electives: AGRI 1145 Natural Resources, AGRI 1280 Crop Chemicals, AGRI 1281 Weed Science, AGRI 2020 Crops and Irrigation, AGRI 2400 Forage, Pasture, and Grassland Production, AGRI 2410 Forage, Pasture, and Grassland Production Lab, AGRI 2460 Resource Efficient Crop Management.