

BAKER COLLEGE
Waiver Form - Office Copy
Agriculture Technology
Associate of Applied Science Degree

Acknowledgment Form - Open Enrollment Programs

Essential Functions and Technical Requirements

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By initialing each line below, I acknowledge and understand I am expected to possess the following Essential Functions:

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- _____ Ability to master information presented in coursework in the form of lectures, written material, and projected images, and the ability to seek and synthesize information from appropriate and varied sources.
- _____ Ability to recognize one's own limits, both personally and professionally, as related to one's skill and knowledge.
- _____ Ability to effectively communicate in English, both verbally and in writing, using accurate and appropriate terminology with classmates, faculty, and individuals of all ages, races, genders, and socioeconomic, and cultural backgrounds.

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The faculty content expert, program official, clinical coordinator, or employment supervisor is qualified and competent to assess the student's ability to perform the Essential Functions.

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Campuses: *Cadillac, Owosso.*

Program Description

The Baker College agriculture technology program provides students with the advanced training necessary to compete in today's technology-driven farming industry. Students completing the program will have acquired knowledge and skills in agribusiness, weed and insect management, plant science and agronomy, sustainable agriculture, viticulture, agriculture equipment and tools, and the use of agricultural computer and technology systems. Additionally, students may select an animal science path and learn about animal husbandry and veterinary science while those that select a technology path will develop skills to select, install, and maintain agricultural technology equipment including global positioning systems (GPS), auto steering systems, and soil sampling and mapping systems.

Goals

Program Outcomes:

The graduate will:

1. know how futures and markets impact the agricultural industry.
2. know how governmental policies and regulations impact the agricultural industry.
3. know and understand the agricultural, food production, and delivery systems.
4. know the importance of consumer perception and how it drives the agricultural market.
5. know how industry research influences the agricultural industry.
6. know how the environment, weather, and global climate impact the agricultural industry.
7. troubleshoot electronic problems on agricultural equipment
8. Handle basic maintenance and repairs on agricultural equipment.
9. examine computer hardware, software, and emerging technologies as it relates to precision agriculture.
10. determine safety precautions used in each area of agriculture.
11. analyze how and why business decisions are made in agriculture.
12. adapt scientific information to agricultural situations.
13. apply professionalism as it relates to success in the agricultural industry.