

Bachelor of Agriculture

Course Structure for Bachelor of Agriculture

Each standard subject is worth **12.5 credit points**. A standard **full-time study load** is four subjects (50 points) per half-year period. The **Bachelor of Agriculture** requires the successful completion of **24 subjects (300 points)**.

Year 1	First half	AGRI10045 - Foundations of Agricultural Sciences 1	AGRI10047 - Agriculture in Australia	AGRI10050 - Agricultural Systems Biology	ENVS10001 - Natural Environments
	Second half	AGRI10046 - Foundations of Agricultural Sciences 2	AGRI10048 - Plant Production Systems	AGRI10051 - Genetics for Agriculture	AGRI10049 - Animal Production Systems
Year 2	First half	AGRI20042 - Agricultural Economics	AGRI20043 - Biochemistry in Agricultural Systems	Agriculture Elective (Level 2)	Agriculture Elective (Level 2)
	Second half (Parkville)	AGRI20038 - Principles of Soil Science	Agriculture Elective (Level 2)	Agriculture Elective (Level 2)	Agriculture Elective (Level 1/2/3)
	Second half (Dookie)	AGRI20038 - Principles of Soil Science	AGRI20035 - Applied Crop Production and Horticulture	AGRI20036 - Ecology and Grazing Management	AGRI20040 - Enterprise Management
Year 3	First half	Major Subject (Level 3)	Major Subject (Level 3)	Agriculture Elective (Level 3)	Agriculture Elective (Level 1/2/3)
	Second half	AGRI30038 - Professional Practice for Agriculture	Major Subject (Level 3)	Agriculture Elective (Level 3)	Agriculture Elective (Level 2/3)

Major Subjects

To complete a major, you must complete three specified level 3 subjects, which would require you to have done the relevant level 1 and 2 prerequisites.

Dookie Campus Subjects

You will enrol in these approved level 2 Agriculture elective subjects if you choose to undertake studies in Year 2, Semester 2 at the Dookie campus.

Agriculture Elective Subjects

Use your elective subjects to satisfy any prerequisites required for later year subjects (ie. major subjects) and to explore your interests.

For more information: go.unimelb.edu.au/nzb6

Core Subjects

All Agriculture students are required to complete these subjects which are designed to provide an integrated and multidisciplinary understanding of agricultural science.

NOTES ABOUT THE BACHELOR OF AGRICULTURE

Majors

The majors available in the Bachelor of Agriculture are:

- Agricultural Economics
- Plant and Soil Science
- Production Animal Science

Dookie campus option

You may choose to spend Year 2, Semester 2 at the Dookie campus, which is available to students from all majors. Additional costs for transport and accommodation apply.

Students undertaking the Dookie campus option are expected to enrol in the core subject AGRI20038 Principles of Soil Science as well as three approved level 2 Agriculture electives:

- AGRI20035 Applied Crop Production and Horticulture
- AGRI20036 Ecology and Grazing Management
- AGRI20040 Enterprise Management

Course requirements

Level 1 (100 points)

- AGRI10045 Foundations of Agricultural Sciences 1 (12.5 points)
- AGRI10047 Agriculture in Australia (12.5 points)
- AGRI10050 Agricultural Systems Biology (12.5 points)
- ENVS10001 Natural Environments (12.5 points)
- AGRI10046 Foundations of Agricultural Sciences 2 (12.5 points)
- AGRI10048 Plant Production Systems (12.5 points)
- AGRI10051 Genetics for Agriculture (12.5 points)
- AGRI10049 Animal Production Systems (12.5 points)

Level 2 (87.5 points)

- AGRI20042 Agricultural Economics (12.5 points)
- AGRI20043 Biochemistry in Agricultural Systems (12.5 points)
- AGRI20038 Principles of Soil Science (12.5 points)
- 50 points of level 2 Agriculture electives, which include prerequisites for intended major. These subjects can include Dookie campus option

Level 3 (75 points)

- AGRI30038 Professional Practice for Agriculture (12.5 points)
- Three prescribed level 3 subjects for major (37.5 points)
- 25 points of level 3 Agriculture electives

Remaining points (37.5 points)

- 37.5 points of additional Agriculture electives, where no more than 25 points at level 1

Total

- Completion of an overall total of 24 subjects (300 points)
- Course progression rule:** Completion of at least four subjects (50 points) at each year level before being able to progress to the next year level

PLAN YOUR COURSE

STEP 1: BUILD

Add the core subjects to your Course Map first.

Core subjects are compulsory subjects that must be completed in order to meet the requirements of your course. These subjects are usually prerequisites for later subjects, which means you need to successfully pass these to be able to progress to the next subject.

STEP 2: EXPLORE

Select elective subjects which can complement a major pathway or allow you to pursue other areas of interest.

These may or may not be prerequisites for majors or other options down the track.

Elective subjects (also referred to as optional subjects) are discipline subjects from your Faculty.

Courses that require completion of electives or optional subjects allow you to choose from a list which is available in the University Handbook.

STEP 3: SPECIALISE

You might not need to decide on a major right away but many Year 2 and 3 subjects leading to a major have prerequisites that you should review.

A **major** refers to a concentration of subjects that equips you with specialised knowledge in your chosen field of study.

Each course has **different requirements** for a major, minor or specialisation. For example, while some offer a selection of subjects to choose from, others have a fixed set of subjects.

UNDECIDED?

If you are undecided about your major, you can start with the subjects that you are interested in and work forwards; what later level subjects and majors do these subjects lead to?

For most majors, you don't need to decide in Year 1, but understanding where your subjects can lead is important as you proceed through your course.

For more information:

Learn more about the specific requirements of your course by referring to the University Handbook – handbook.unimelb.edu.au

Look at the Bachelor of Agriculture website – go.unimelb.edu.au/95mr

PLAN YOUR COURSE (continued)

Use the blank course structure below as a guide to plan your course. It is easiest to plan your course while referring to your course-specific requirements and the University Handbook.

You do not have to plan your whole degree at this point but the subjects that you choose in Year 1 can impact on your choices in Year 2 and 3.

Remember to consult the University Handbook to find out more about course requirements and subject availability, as well as breadth and elective options: handbook.unimelb.edu.au

Year 1	First half				
	Second half				
Year 2	First half				
	Second half				
Year 3	First half				
	Second half				

WHAT DO I DO NEXT? ENROL IN YOUR SUBJECTS (STUDY PLAN)

Once you have mapped your subjects you can add them to your Study Plan via my.unimelb for the current year only.

For information about enrolling in subjects visit: students.unimelb.edu.au/subject-enrolment

Please note: You normally have until the end of the second week of classes to change your subject selection for the semester.

HOW CAN STOP 1 HELP?

Stop 1 can connect you with the full range of student services to support your success while studying at the University including:

- administration
- course planning and enrolment
- health and wellbeing
- housing and financial aid
- equity and disability support
- careers and employability development
- academic skills and learning support
- overseas study

Remember, our support services are not just for when things go wrong but also to extend and develop your skills and experience.

Access these services and more:
services.unimelb.edu.au/finder

Find out the best way to manage your admin, study effectively, maximise your wellbeing and prepare for your future: students.unimelb.edu.au

International student visa holders: please note you must be enrolled in 50 credit points in each half-year period unless you have approval to reduce your study load.

ENRICH YOUR STUDIES

Overseas study

Participate in an overseas study program and gain experience as well as credit towards your course.

Concurrent diploma

Complete an additional qualification in computing, music, mathematical sciences or languages alongside your bachelors degree.

Enhance employability skills

Check your faculty's website for internships, work placements, research or volunteering options to put your knowledge and skills into practice.

There are other opportunities such as industry events, public lectures and professional skills workshops. You can also volunteer in your community, meet with an alumni mentor or join a student club.

ACHIEVE YOUR ACADEMIC GOALS

Academic and communication skills

Find resources and programs to help you develop the reading, writing and listening skills needed to succeed in your studies.

Take the Diagnostic English Language Test (DELA) to get personalised results and recommendations to develop your ability to communicate ideas clearly and fluently using academic English language.

Notes: