

# AGRICULTURAL AND EXTENSION EDUCATION (AXED)

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## **AXED 1110 Introduction to Agricultural, Extension, and Technology Education 3 Credits (3)**

Orientation to programs, philosophies, competencies and leadership skills needed by professionals in agricultural and technology education, extension education, agricultural communications, and related career opportunities in industry, governmental agencies, and international organizations.

### **Learning Outcomes**

1. Orient student to the AXED Department and their role as students.
2. Explore career opportunities (and the related skill sets needed for success) in public schools, career and technical institutions, the cooperative extension service, community, and international development, agricultural communications, agricultural industry associations and public service (e.g., NMDA and USDA).
3. Develop an understanding of the self-leadership skills needed to be effective in a variety of professional and personal environments.
4. Familiarize students with the aspects included within a total program in agricultural or technology education.
5. Strengthen skills in oral and written communications.

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## **AXED 1130 Techniques in Agricultural Mechanization 3 Credits (3)**

Development of competencies in agricultural mechanics including safety, tool identification, operation and maintenance of hand and power tools, cold metal, drafting, and plumbing procedures. Designed for any major wishing to improve mechanical skills needed in agriculturally related occupations in education and industry. (2+2P)

### **Learning Outcomes**

1. To understand basic drafting language used in orthographic and isometric drawings.
2. To develop an understanding of the proper use and safety of basic hand and power tools.
3. To develop skills needed to operate basic hand and power tools correctly.
4. To develop an understanding of surveying methods and building layout for construction.
5. To develop an adequate level of competence in workshop techniques.
6. To prepare students to properly teach and demonstrate these techniques to others who may use them as a means of earning a living.

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## **AXED 2110 Metal Fabrication 3 Credits (3)**

Instruction and skill development in process and procedures of metal fusion, including gas and electric welding techniques, safety, and oxy-acetylene cutting and welding. Designed to improve mechanical skills needed in agriculturally related occupations in education and industry. (2+4P)

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## **AXED 2130 Early Field-Based Experience 2 Credits (2)**

First Hand view of the roles of professional educators through field experiences with Cooperative Extension or other government agencies. Includes 4 weeks of classroom instruction and 30 hours of observation in a work setting.

### **Learning Outcomes**

1. Identify successful characteristics, tips and strategies that an agricultural education professional may use as part of their program.
2. Identify key components of an agricultural education program
3. Actively observe a local agricultural education program.
4. Identify ways that your agency program networks and interacts with clientele and community

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## **AXED 2996 Topics in Agricultural and Extension Education 1-4 Credits**

Specific subjects and credits to be announced in the Schedule of Classes. Repeatable: Maximum of 4 credits per semester. No more than 6 credits toward degree.

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