

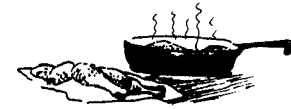


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BROILER TIP...

CAREERS IN POULTRY - - BOUNDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

In one word, what do you call a new college graduate with a degree in Poultry Science? The answer is "employed". Poultry Science students from The University of Georgia are in very high demand. Almost all have multiple job offers when they graduate.

The poultry industry in the U.S. has experienced phenomenal growth during the past several decades. In 1950, the average American consumed just 25 pounds of poultry per year. Consumption is now four times that. Poultry represents the single largest source of agricultural sales in Georgia, accounting for approximately 40% of agricultural income and employing over 100,000 people statewide. With the popularity of poultry products continuing to increase worldwide, the future looks even brighter.

Athens, Georgia, has more scientists working on poultry related projects than anywhere else on the planet. The Department of Poultry Science at The University of Georgia is known as one of the very best in the world and has some of the finest faculty and most sophisticated facilities anywhere. The Poultry Science curriculum is interesting, flexible and varied. Students can choose a business option or science option depending on their particular interests and goals. As undergraduates, students are encouraged to explore a variety of disciplines including genetics, physiology, reproduction, breeding, nutrition, management, toxicology, diseases, processing, and economics. In addition, students can choose from an almost endless list of electives to tailor their educational program to their specific needs. Students are encouraged to obtain practical experience working with poultry at the University's state-of-the-art research farm. Challenging industry internships are also readily available for those wishing to "try out" different career paths prior to graduation and earn a little extra money in the process.

Once students graduate, they do not have to look very hard for an employer. The employers come looking for them. And the job opportunities are practically endless. Some examples of the jobs and opportunities poultry science graduates have gone on to in recent years include veterinary school, graduate school, medical school, broiler flock supervisor, breeder flock supervisor, commercial egg

PUTTING KNOWLEDGE TO WORK

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flock manager, hatchery supervisor, processing shift manager, quality control manager, product sales manager, technical service manager, county extension agent, business manager and marketing manager. Job opportunities in the state of Georgia are plentiful. For those interested in "seeing the world", a degree in Poultry Science might be the ticket. There are poultry production companies and allied industries headquartered throughout the U.S., and international opportunities are multiplying daily due to the growing demand for poultry products abroad. With a degree in Poultry Science, one has the opportunity to live and work almost anywhere.

So, if you know of someone interested in pursuing a college degree that will provide them a stimulating and interesting education and an equally challenging and rewarding career when they graduate, let them know about Poultry Science. A background in poultry is not necessary to major in Poultry Science. All that is required is an interest in the sciences and/or business and an academic record of sufficient quality to be admitted to UGA. Academic requirements necessary for admittance to UGA are becoming increasingly tougher these days. But don't worry, where there is a will there is a way. Many of our students start out at local or two year colleges, get their core curriculum classes out of the way, and then transfer to Poultry Science at UGA for their final two years. Gainesville College and Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton offer introductory poultry courses that will transfer directly to UGA.

For more information on Poultry Science at The University of Georgia complete and mail the form below. If you prefer, call us at 706/542-1351 or visit our website at <http://www.uga.edu/~poultry>.

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