Learn About Careers in Agricultural Education

Career & Technical Education Teachers

Careers in Marketing
http://www.careers-in-marketing.com/

Careers in Finance

FFA Careers in Agriculture
http://www.ffa.org
A good resource for job descriptions. When on the FFA homepage, search “career explorer”.

Financial Managers

Marketing Managers

Sales Managers
http://www.bls.gov/ooh/Management/Sales-managers.htm

Job Posting Sites for Agriculture Education Fields

Ag Careers
http://www.agcareers.com
A leading National and international job site for Agriculture, Food, Natural resources, and Biotechnology careers.

AgriCareers Inc.
http://www.agricareersinc.com/index.htm
Includes national job postings for the agribusiness field.

Agriculture, Biotech and Chemical Jobs Page
http://www.nationjob.com/ag/jobs
Offered by NationJob Network, an on-line job search service with thousands of current job listings and company profiles.
Going Global
http://goldpass.umn.edu (link for Going Global will be on the student landing page)
Going Global is a great resource for international students looking for information on work opportunities here in the United States. It is also a great tool for students looking for information on the cultural nuances of the job search in various countries and cities throughout the world.

GoldPASS
http://goldpass.umn.edu
University of Minnesota campus wide job posting system.

Green Careers Resource Guide
http://www.cassio.com and select Green jobs and career resources.
"The resource guide answers basic green career questions such as: What is a green job? What is sustainability? Where are the green jobs? What occupations can lead to green jobs? What are the best online resources for people who want a green job or career? Includes links to hundreds of industry and occupation-specific resources as well as descriptions of all major green niche job boards."

Internships
http://www.internships.com/
This website provides services and resources for students, employers and educators. Students can search for internships and jobs based on location and type of industry/major.

Metronet
http://www.metrolibraries.net/MNWeb/websites.php?s=educ
Lists all school districts in Minnesota and links to district home pages where jobs are often posted.

Minnesota Association of School Administrators
http://www.mnasa.org/masa/site/default.asp
Includes job listings for all types of positions in Minnesota Schools.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture
http://www.mda.state.mn.us/
Includes links to agriculture resources and employment with the State of Minnesota.

National Sustainable Agriculture Information Service
http://attra.ncat.org/
Click on databases for a great list of internships in sustainable agriculture, information on organic farming, and links to other related resources.

United States Department of Agriculture
http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usdahome
Search for jobs within the USDA, links to agriculture agencies and news stories, diverse assortment of agriculture topics including marketing, food and nutrition, and regulations/laws.
USA JOBS
http://www.usajobs.gov/
The official job site of the United States government (though not all agencies post their jobs on it—be sure to search specific agencies job postings. A-Z Index of U.S. Government Departments and Agencies:
http://www.firstgov.gov/Agencies/Federal/All_Agencies/index.shtm

Professional Associations Related to Agricultural Education

Many professional associations have listservs or web sites where jobs and internships are posted. Sometimes, membership is required for access, so consider becoming a student member. Other benefits of membership include access to other members (for informational interviews), evidence of your commitment to the industry, and information about current trends as well as upcoming conferences and local meetings. CFANS sponsors travel grants for students to attend professional conference and development events.

American Agricultural Economics Association
http://www.aaea.org
Search or read through listings of job opportunities, especially in education, members of association have more access to links on website.

American Economic Association
http://www.aeaweb.org
List of job postings, academic (numerous University postings) and nonacademic in the field of economics, also includes International opportunities.

American Marketing Association
http://www.marketingpower.com/ (National Chapter)
http://www.mnama.org/ (Minnesota Chapter)
Job postings, articles, conferences and resources related to the field of marketing.

Association for Financial Professionals
http://www.afponline.org/
Job postings, articles, conferences and resources related to the field of finance.

National AgriMarketing Association
http://www.nama.org/index.html
Lists of member companies with links to their web sites.

National Association of Sales Professionals
http://www.nasp.com/
Job postings, articles, conferences and resources related to the field of sales.

National Education Association
http://www.nea.org
The nation's largest professional employee organization is committed to advancing the cause of public education. Find resources on legislation, issues in education, volunteer events and professional pay.
Society for Human Resource Management
http://www.shrm.org/ (National Chapter)
http://www.mn-shrm.org/ (Minnesota Chapter)
Job postings, articles, conferences and resources related to the field of human resources

The National Council for Agricultural Education
http://www.teamaged.org/
Promotes agriculture education and serves as a resource to multiple agriculture education organizations especially FFA.

Additional Resources for Agricultural Education Related Fields

About Federal Employment
http://www.careerhelp.umn.edu/governmentjobs.html
Comprehensive information on federal employment compiled and condensed by the Career and Internship Services.

Ag Observatory
http://www.iatp.org/issue/agriculture
Includes current news in the industry and profiles of key companies in the agribusiness Industry.

Agriculture Network Information Center
http://www.agnic.org/
Links to agricultural news stories and networking events.

Minnesota Agriculture in the Classroom
http://www.mda.state.mn.us/kids.aspx
Information for agriculture educators including teaching resources and other links.

State Agricultural Sites
http://agrinet.tamu.edu/universi/default.htm
Provides a listing of U.S. State Agriculture sites, most of which are University department web sites across the U.S.

United States Department of Agriculture - National Agricultural Statistics Service
Census information and data results conducted about all aspects of agriculture.

United States National Agricultural Library
http://www.nal.usda.gov/
Provides reference materials and a collaboration of library resources, can ask questions to receive help with research related to agriculture.
University of Minnesota Undergraduate Research
http://www.urop.umn.edu
Offers research and creative activity experiences to students in all of our undergraduate colleges, to students in honors programs, as well as students not in honors programs.

USDA Economics, Statistics and Marketing Information System
http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/MannUsda/homepage.do
Contains nearly 300 reports and databases from economic agencies in the USDA covering agriculture topics, including international agriculture.

World Wide Online Resources in Economics
http://www.helsinki.fi/WebEc/
Links to multiple listings of different types of economic web sites that include information about various types of economics including micro, macro, public, regional, and the history of economics.

Student Organizations for Agricultural Education

For more information on the student organizations below, and others, visit https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organizations/

Agricultural Education Club
The Agricultural Education Club is open to anyone and everyone interested in Agricultural Education and FFA; you don't have to be an Agricultural Education major! We work with the Minnesota FFA Association and host a Fall and Winter Invitational, as well as assist with State Convention in the spring. The club networks with other colleges across the state and maintains relationships with agricultural companies.

CFANS Student Board
Comprised of elected executive student delegates and standing student group representatives that work directly with faculty and staff of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Natural Resource Sciences to create open communication across all levels of the college.

Collegiate Agri-Women
An organization based on professional development and agricultural literacy. Activities that they participate in include educational school visits, retreats, and Harvest Farmer's Share Breakfast. They are also non-voting members of the Minnesota Agri-Women.

Environmental Studies Club
The Environmental Studies Club provides students with the opportunity to become acquainted with and discuss environmental issues, promote and participate in environmentally-related service projects, and share mutual concerns with students and faculty.
**Gopher Dairy Club**  
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organization/381/about  
Positively promotes the Dairy Industry to college students, faculty, and the general public. Throughout the year, gain both scholastic and hands-on learning experiences about the Dairy Industry through various activities, events, and tours. Contact: gdc@umn.edu

**MANRRS (Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences)**  
A St. Paul based non-profit organization with the purpose to provide students of different backgrounds with the opportunities to grow professionally within their field of interest, socialize with other students of the same or different background, and make a difference in the community. MANRRS is also a nationally recognized organization with yearly conferences. All are welcome!  
Contact: mnmanrrs@yahoo.com

**National Agri-Marketing Association**  
Prepares students for careers in agricultural marketing, sales, communications and public relations. NAMA helps develop career skills and gain professional contacts that assist students in pursuit of an ag business career. The only requirement for the club is an interest in an agri-marketing career or an interest in career contacts and networking. Interested students are encouraged to inquire anytime, but must join by December 1 to be on the national roster.

**St. Paul Ambassadors**  
A voluntary, honorary organization consisting of undergraduate students from the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences at the University of Minnesota. They assist in promoting the College to prospective students and their parents, alumni, potential donors, and friends of the College and University of Minnesota.