

505-3-.10 AGRICULTURE EDUCATION PROGRAM

(1) Purpose. This rule states field-specific content standards for approving initial educator preparation programs that prepare individuals to teach agriculture in grades 6-12 and supplements requirements in Rule 505-3-.01, Requirements and Standards for Approving Professional Education Units and Educator Preparation Programs.

(2) Requirements.

(a) To receive approval, a state-approved professional education unit shall offer a preparation program described in program planning forms, catalogs, and syllabi addressing the following standards:

1. The program shall prepare candidates who know the content of the biological, botanical, physical, and applied sciences relevant to practical solutions for agricultural problems.

2. The program shall prepare candidates who can apply natural and physical science principles to practical solutions for agricultural problems.

3. The program shall prepare candidates who can apply principles of production agriculture and agricultural economics.

4. The program shall prepare candidates who demonstrate competence in one or more of the specialized occupational areas: agricultural production and marketing; agricultural equipment and supplies; product processing; ornamental horticulture; agricultural business; natural resource management; environmental science; forestry; farm business planning and analysis; industrial equipment; and small animal production and care.

5. The program shall prepare candidates who know and apply principles of plant and animal science, agricultural business management and law, and agricultural mechanics, and can apply computers/technology appropriate to these areas.

6. The program shall prepare candidates who can facilitate agricultural youth organizations.

7. The program shall prepare candidates who can work with students and adults in supervised agricultural experience programs.

(b) The program shall meet all requirements specified in Rule 505-3-.01 (4.f.), Special Georgia Requirements.

Authority O.C.G.A. § 20-2-200