

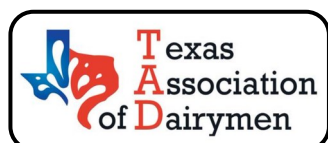


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The U.S. Dairy Education and Training Consortium started in 2008 as a program to provide modern dairy herd management practices and procedures to interested university students. Although the dairy industry was and is continuing to increase in the southwest and midwest, few universities were developing dairy courses to meet the needs of the rapidly changing management need of modern herd management. Since the start of the program, 979 students have applied with 664 students having completed the program. Our students come from 61 universities located across the US. The intensive 6-week course is held in Clovis, NM, which is located in the 3rd largest US milk shed, eastern New Mexico and the Texas panhandle. This location allows us to have access to modern dairy facilities and milking systems, which include robotics facilities as well as other precision management programs, which are becoming more relevant in modern dairy herd management. Major subjects that are covered include; reproduction, nutrition, genetics, young stock, transition cow, mastitis and machine management, heat abatement, precision management/robotics and facilities. The program is divided into 2 sessions. Session 1 is intended for students with no dairy experience while session 2 provides for training in modern dairy management practices. Our faculty comes from across the US and are experts in their respective fields. The program is completely funded through agribusiness support. Through their generous sponsorships, students can attend the consortium at virtually no expense. The consortium also counts toward a student's degree plan at some universities. A 2022 survey revealed 81% of the students returned to some form of agriculture for employment and 52% of all respondents returned to a dairy or dairy related operation. Our program does educate the next generation of agricultural professionals.

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Career Goals: I am unsure of my future career path after completing my undergraduate degree. However, my interests are in research within the dairy industry or calf and heifer management. I look forward to taking my experiences from the consortium and applying it to a career that I am passionate about.

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Career Goals: With the knowledge and experience I have gained at Virginia Tech and this program; I plan on returning to, and expanding my family's dairy farm in central New York where I will become a business partner. With my position I will be an assistant herdsman, calf manager, and financial manager.



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Career Goals: I plan to finish my undergraduate degree at the Virginia Tech and then attend graduate school. My goal after graduation is to become a Dairy Extension Specialist in the northeast, focused on financial and farm management.

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Career Goals: To gain more experience, I would like to work as a nutritionist or herd manager somewhere else before I will go back on my home farm in Germany. I really enjoy all parts of the herd management and I am passion for practical work.



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Career Goals: After I graduate, I intend to continue following my passion of working with cattle. I plan to either enter the beef or dairy industry by continuing my education by pursuing a masters in a program that allows me to study with the focus of reproduction in cattle.

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Career Goals: After graduating with my undergraduate degree in Agricultural Economics, I will be continuing my education by completing a master's degree in Agribusiness. My goal is to work on a large dairy operation and work my way into a management position.



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Career Goals: I plan on pursuing a masters and PhD in dairy reproduction. After finishing my education I want to work in industry and eventually return to academia. I have a passion for research, continual learning, and the dairy industry.

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Career Goals: My career goal is to become a veterinarian specializing in food animals and large exotics. I plan to travel the world and work where I am needed most.



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Expected / Graduation Date: Spring 2024
Career Goals: After completing my undergraduate in Animal Science at Texas Tech University I plan to pursue a masters degree in Ruminant Nutrition. In the future I hope to work with dairy producers to feed their animals and together, feed the world.

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Career Goals: I plan on pursuing a career as a large animal veterinarian and hope to attend vet school next fall. Close behind, my secondary career aspiration lies in graduate school or a dairy nutrition-based career. My strong work ethic will allow me to do whichever career I decide to pursue.



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Career Goals: Upon completion of my doctoral degree in dairy cattle welfare, I plan on working as an animal welfare specialist with the goal of improving welfare and production on farms. I want to apply my expertise in preweaning calf management to improve cow welfare at every stage of life and use my skills in ESL education to provide valuable resources/education to all farmworkers and employees regardless of primary language.

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Career Goals: I have developed a passion for agriculture and desire to service the rural population as a mixed animal veterinarian. I hope to bring the community peace of mind by helping take care of the animals they rely on.



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Major: PhD in Animal Science
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Career Goals: After completion of my PhD, I plan to pursue a career in dairy nutrition research to discover solutions for current industry challenges and contribute to existing knowledge. I am also passionate about dairy extension and education.

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Career Goals: Upon graduation, I plan to attend Veterinary School and pursue a career in a mixed animal practice. Although this is my ultimate goal, I am open to opportunities within the Agriculture Industry related to nutrition, animal health and welfare, and farm support.



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Career Goals: I plan to go home to the family dairy to help expand and help it efficiently grow.

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Career Goals: Passionate about data and the dairy industry. Seeking to be part of a global technical support team, where I can work directly with progressive dairy operations, troubleshooting, helping with development, and collaboration with research. Lastly, I want to train and educate people.

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Career Goals: I plan to pursue a career in animal reproduction with the knowledge gained from the USDETC program I strive to expand my knowledge on reproductive management and continue to move forwards on my next professional career advancement on veterinarian medicine.



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Career Goals: After completing my undergraduate degree, I plan to take what I learned from Iowa State and the Consortium to pursue a career in dairy nutrition or reproduction. I am excited to see where continuing my education and experience in the dairy industry takes me!

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Career Goals: After I graduate with my undergraduate degree at Texas A&M University, I plan to pursue a career in animal care and welfare.



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Career Goals: My goal is to pursue further education and attend veterinary school, working as either a mixed animal veterinarian or with small animal emergency medicine. I also have interests in dairy nutrition and natural disaster animal care.

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Career Goals: After going to veterinary school, I aspire to be a mixed animal veterinarian. Ensuring the safety of animal food products for public consumption while sustaining animal welfare and health care with compassion for animals in my care is something I strive to uphold.



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Career Goals: I am extremely passionate in achieving my goal of practicing small and large animal veterinary medicine in the future. Later on in life I would also love to pursue research and teach at the collegiate level. Overall my main goal is to keep growing and learning new things to help better the future for us individuals and animals along the way.

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Career Goals: I am uncertain of what I would like to do after I graduate. I have a passion for animals & Agriculture. I do not come from an agricultural background so I am just trying to learn as much as I can and see what opportunities are available in the industry.



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Expected / Graduation Date: Fall 2023

Career Goals: The best way to describe me is my why. The reason for this venture through life is to show my loved ones and other veterans how I have grown from opioid-addicted, alcoholic with suicidal tendencies, and dyslexic with a 1st-grade reading level into a student at a Tier 1 university, where I am providing support to our community around a value that brings us all together.

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Expected / Graduation Date: Fall 2024

Career Goals: Although I am uncertain of what my future holds, I know I have a passion for agriculture. I am taking advantage of all opportunities to broaden my knowledge of what it all entails. Currently, I intend to pursue a Master's Degree after I complete my undergraduate degree in Animal Science.



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Major: Animal Science - Science

Expected / Graduation Date: Spring 2024

Career Goals: Upon completion of my undergraduate degree at Texas A&M, I plan to pursue a career in reproductive services. I am also interested in research, animal welfare and genetic selection.

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Expected / Graduation Date: Spring 2025

Career Goals: It is my ambition to pursue large animal veterinary medicine upon completion of my animal science degree. Through the dairy consortium, it has fueled my desire to work with large animals, especially dairy cattle. As someone who finds enjoyment in the development of students, I hope to gain experience in the field and teach at a university.



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Career Goals: Upon receiving my undergraduate degree, I hope to attend vet school with the aspiration to become a mixed practice veterinarian. I have specific interests in animal welfare, reproduction, and nutrition. I am also interested in pursuing other internships.

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Career Goals: I would like to work as a mixed practice veterinarian. I want to mainly focus on working with service animals and military K-9 units. I would also like to help exotic/ wildlife animals and get into some large animal practice.



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Major: Animal Science, Animal Pre-Vet

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Career Goals: I am interested in becoming more involved with dairy cows to improve my large animal knowledge. I am applying to vet schools for Fall 2024 and I hope to become a mixed animal veterinarian and become a better advocate for agriculture!

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Career Goals: I plan on taking the knowledge that I had obtained from the Dairy Consortium and apply it in my journey of becoming a Large Animal Livestock Veterinarian with additional emphasis on Companion Animal Care and a Masters Student in possible Meat Studies or Dairy Reproduction Enhancement.



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Career Goals: After I graduate with my bachelor's degree, I am interested in working for an animal nutrition company as a consultant or in the field of calf nutrition. I have a passion for the dairy industry and would like to continue to explore different career opportunities in this field.

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Career Goals: After completing my undergrad degree in the spring of 2024, I plan on pursuing a masters degree at New Mexico State University in Reproductive Physiology. After that I aim to apply to veterinary school and still continue in research. I would love to work with a mixed practice and/or keep my options open.



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Career Goals: After undergraduate, I have plans to apply to veterinary school to practice large animals with a specialty in swine medicine. With the knowledge I gain from the consortium, I plan to apply the new concepts to prepare me for my future career.

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Career Goals: Upon completion of my M.S. in Reproductive Physiology, I will be applying to veterinary school. However, I am open to all opportunities that will provide me with a chance to work with animals and provide them with quality care. I cannot wait to see what the future holds.



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Career Goals: Currently, I am trying to refine my interests within the agricultural industry and work towards gaining a wide range of experiences. I have an interest in reproduction and genetics and am considering going to graduate school. Overall, I see lots of opportunity within the dairy industry, and I do think that I would enjoy a career within it in the future as it continues to evolve.



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Career Goals: I will be attending Texas A&M's School of Veterinary Medicine in the fall. After graduation, I would like to work as a dairy veterinary partnered with a mixed animal clinic. Additionally, I would like to improve the knowledge of preventative medicine in rural communities.

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Career Goals: After completing my undergraduate at Texas A&M University, I plan to apply to veterinary school. I would like to be either a mixed animal or large animal exotic veterinarian with my own private practice.



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Career Goals: After the consortium I plan on pursuing my career in Arizona. My goals are to pursue a government job, Animal Science related in hopes of using my knowledge from my undergrad and the Dairy Consortium.

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Career Goals: My goal is to go work for the family business to grow our existing dairy operations and be part of starting new operations.



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Career Goals: I am currently seeking to further my education with a masters in reproduction. After earning my degree, I will seek employment in that field, whatever that may look like.

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Career Goals: I would like to become a mixed, private practice veterinarian.



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Career Goals: I am currently in Veterinary School at Texas A&M in the VERO Program. I hope to take the knowledge that I learned here and apply it to my future of becoming a Rural/Mixed Animal Veterinarian. I have experience in Beef Production, but being in this program, I hope to gain better knowledge about Dairy cattle and more connections with future producers in the dairy industry.

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Major: Dairy Manufacturing
Expected / Graduation Date: Spring 2024

Career Goals: My outlook is still very unseen but I know that it will reside in the dairy industry. Whether that be on farm milking cows or inside a plant processing a product. I will take the things I learned a consortium to help benefit me in my future career.

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