

AGRICULTURE *and* NATURAL RESOURCES

“Berea’s ANR department is the perfect balance of classroom teaching and hands-on work. I had no prior experience with agriculture, so I’ve learned skills on the campus farm that will help me build a career.”

- Courtney from Vicco, Kentucky



ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

Graduates receive a Bachelor of Science (BS) in Agriculture and Natural Resources. The ANR Program’s curriculum provides all students with a sound foundation in ANR with flexible options to pursue training in particular areas of interest including the sciences, animal science, and natural resources management. Students often pair their ANR major with a minor in Sustainability and Environmental Studies, Forest Resource Management, or Business Administration.

OPPORTUNITIES & INTERNSHIPS

- All ANR majors do internships. Recent locations include Berea and anywhere across the U.S. from Hawaii to Alaska. International examples include Romania, Trinidad and Tobago, and Uganda.
- Work on the College Farm, one of the oldest continuously operating student educational farms in the US. It farms beef cattle, hogs, poultry, goats, field crops, horticultural crops, honey bees, and aquaculture, much of which is USDA certified organic.
- Contribute to the Farm Store, which offers foods produced by Berea students working on the farm, products from nearby farms, and small businesses in the central Appalachian Region.

The farm also regularly supplies pork, beef, and fresh produce to the campus dining hall and Boone Tavern Hotel.

CAREERS & OUTCOMES

Berea graduates are distinguished by the practical experience they gain in the work study program. Berea ANR graduates find employment in a wide variety of occupations and career fields, including:

- Public health and land-use planning
- Non-profit organizations
- Agrichemical and Biotechnology Companies
- Grad programs, including: University of Kentucky, Virginia Tech, Yale University, etc.
- USDA Cooperative Extension
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- KY divisions of forestry and water
- Agritourism
- Environmental protection



WHY IS A LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION VALUABLE?

A liberal arts education at Berea College, combined with our work study program, equips students with highly employable skills like communication, problem-solving, and teamwork. Beyond offering a degree program, we help our students develop social responsibility and prepare them to successfully navigate diversity, change, and the complex demands of a modern work place.



80

percentage of employers who want colleges to emphasize critical thinking, analytic reasoning, and oral and written communication.

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Berea College's ranking as "Best Liberal Arts College" by Washington Monthly Magazine, 2018.

75

percentage of employers who believe successful college graduates should have both liberal arts training and experience in the field.

90

percentage of Berea students who credit liberal arts and work study for developing their communication, critical thinking, & problem-solving skills.



"People with a liberal arts education are able to think and view the world from several different perspectives . . . This ability to understand and adapt is very valuable in today's workplace."

Edward B. Rust Jr.
Chairman and CEO, State Farm Insurance Companies