The sheep industry serves a unique role for Indiana agriculture through the many types of producers it reaches: commercial, purebred, and show ring. In Indiana, the sheep industry not only needs qualified graduates for production, but also for meat quality and sales, nutritional consulting, and pharmaceutical needs. Two of the primary objectives of the Department of Animal Sciences at Purdue University are to educate individuals to anticipate and effectively respond to challenges wherever animals and humans interact, and to advance efficient animal production through research, extension, and teaching. Through the education and opportunities that Purdue offers, Animal Sciences graduates are more prepared for careers associated with the sheep industry.

### Activities

#### BLOCK AND BRIDLE
The Block and Bridle Club is the largest Animal Science option club on campus. The club represents cattle, horse, sheep, and swine interests. The club sponsors many activities throughout the year: Invitational Livestock Judging Contest, Purdue Royal, Tot’s Day, and Beef Unit Production Sale.

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#### LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM
The livestock judging team actively participates in many contests throughout the year including the following: North American, National Barrow Show, Mid-Continent and Premier Stock man.

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#### ANIMAL SCIENCES AMBASSDORS
Animal Sciences Ambassadors serve a vital role to the department as a liaison between the faculty and students and promote the department across the state of Indiana.

#### Sheep Related Courses:
- Introduction to Animal Agriculture
- Functional Anatomy & Animal Performance
- Applied Animal Management
- Sheep Management
- Principles of Animal Nutrition
- Physiology of Reproduction
- Physiology of Reproduction Lab
- Animal Growth, Development, & Evaluation
- Evaluation of Livestock
- Applied Farm Management

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Employment Opportunities

The four year average starting salary of BS graduates is $43,500 with a 90% placement rate. Starting salary is only one of many ways you benefit from a degree from the Purdue College of Agriculture. While at Purdue many students gain valuable income and hands-on experience in extracurricular activities and make themselves marketable to the sheep industry by seeking valuable summer internships and work experiences. Faculty work hard assisting students in locating industry internships. Students are not only marketable to employers in the sheep industry, but the broad background in Animal Sciences allows them to be more employable in other animal-related industries as well. Students can earn credit or income while at Purdue by working in offices, at the Animal Sciences farms, and assisting with classes or doing undergraduate research projects in sheep nutrition, genetics selection, and reproductive physiology.

Animal Biology Specializations

Animal Agribusiness  Pre-Veterinary Medicine
Animal Production  Biotechnology
Animal Products  Behavior/Well-Being
Animal Biosciences  

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Sheep Website http://ag.ansc.purdue.edu/sheep

Department of Animal Sciences Vision Statement

The Department of Animal Sciences at Purdue University is the place to go for high-quality employees, animal management and care information, and cutting-edge research results to improve and serve the animal industry.