AGRONOMY, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description
Agronomy is concerned with the principles and practices of field crop production and the conservation of soils and land resources. Areas of emphasis include crop production and protection, plant breeding, forage management, nutrient management, and soil conservation and fertility. Education in this minor emphasizes the principles of plant and soil management and the basic sciences upon which these principles are grounded. A minor in agronomy can complement several majors, and will enhance career opportunities in farm management and the agricultural industry. Employment possibilities include:

• farm chemical and fertilizer store managers,
• sales representatives,
• field and laboratory technicians,
• crop management consultants,
• extension agents,
• soil and water conservationists, and
• inspectors for various state and federal regulatory agencies.

What is Agronomy?
Agronomy is the science of field crop production and the conservation and management of soil and land resources. The Agronomy minor is designed to provide students with an overview and an in-depth understanding of the principles and practices of agronomy. Students will gain an understanding of plant and soil science as it relates to forage crop production and management, nutrient management and soil conservation, and fertility. The Agronomy minor complements several majors across the university and will enhance career opportunities in the agricultural industry.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT AGRONOMY (http://plantscience.psu.edu/majors/minors/agronomy/)

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You are interested in plant science, ecology, resource protection, and growing crops for fuel, feed and fiber.