MUSHROOM SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, 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.

Career Paths

Careers

Mushrooms are one of Pennsylvania’s leading cash crops. The mushroom industry is seeking college graduates to fill a wide array of both technical and managerial positions. Technical positions cover areas related to daily production, quality control, and food safety systems. This minor will give you a better understanding of mushroom cultivation as well as the current state of production systems throughout the United States. The minor adviser works closely with producers and is contacted by companies looking for employees on a regular basis.

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Graduate studies in mushroom cultivation are limited; however, Penn State is unique in that it does offer graduate degrees where the student’s projects can be based on mushroom cultivation, and where the student has an opportunity to work directly with industry representatives if desired. The mushroom program is housed in the Department of Plant Pathology and Environmental Microbiology in the College of Agricultural Sciences.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDIES (https://agsci.psu.edu/academics/undergraduate/minors/mushroom-science-and-technology/)