

Agronomy 39800
304 Matthews Hall - Wednesdays at 3:30 pm

Fall 2019 Schedule

August 21 **Course Orientation.** Dr. Lee Schweitzer 304 Matthews Hall

Please update your resume (two copies due in class on August 28). Follow the detailed guidance and examples of chronological resumes presented in the CCO Handbook at

<https://www.cco.purdue.edu/Students/WhatWeOffer#CCOHandbook>

Please note in particular the discussions on “**Power Verbs For Resumes, Developing A Winning Resume**” and examples of chronological resumes, which are the type you are to write for AGRY 398.

The full Purdue University CCO web site is www.cco.purdue.edu
Provides valuable career resources. Set up your account at
<https://www.cco.purdue.edu/#myCCO>

Services offered and links to set up appointments (including Mock Interviews) with CCO
<https://www.cco.purdue.edu/Students/WhatWeOffer/>

In writing your resume please target a specific employer for whom you'd like to work, choosing from the list of companies coming to interview at the Purdue College of Agriculture Career Fair on October 2.

The College of Agriculture Career Fair Web Site is

<https://purdue-csm.symplicity.com/events/a5b1f74f57ded9a04d71ece71f4ca151/overview>

The direct link to the list of companies coming to interview is

<https://purdue-csm.symplicity.com/events/a5b1f74f57ded9a04d71ece71f4ca151/employers>

Companies on this list generally provide a link to the key background information you'll need to properly research the company prior to your interview. **Your company research outline is due in class on September 4.**

Please see also the resume handout provided in class for ideas on how to tailor your resume toward a specific position/employer. Personalized business cards can be printed at Boiler Copy Maker room 186 Purdue Memorial Union

<https://print.xeps.net/> or VistaPrint www.vistaprint.com/

Prior to September 11 please have a draft of your resume critiqued (edited), signed and dated by a member of the CCO staff in room 132 YOUNG (open during business hours). This CCO-signed draft plus your improved resume (stapled together) are due in class on September 11.

August 22 **Purdue Agronomy Departmental Family Picnic (Optional)** You are invited to the Agronomy Departmental Family Picnic (students, staff, faculty and families welcome). Dinner (Brats, Hot dogs and all the trimmings) starts between 5 and 5:30 p.m. on the behind Lilly Hall in front of Creighton Hall. Please plan to be our guest for this fun cookout where you can catch a ride on the Boilermaker Special and visit many of your fellow students and your faculty. See you there!!!

August 28 **College of Agriculture Career Fair Update** 304 Matthews Hall
Sherrelyn Meyer - College of Agriculture Career Services
Coordinator, Shaina Partlow - Purdue CCO College of Agriculture
Liaison.

College Of Ag. Career Services Home Page Is

<https://www2.ag.purdue.edu/oap/career/pages/student.aspx>

The College of Agriculture Career Fair Page Is

https://ag.purdue.edu/oap/career/pages/student_career_fairs_main.aspx

CCO Career Services Update – Shaina Parlow – CCO College of
Agriculture Liason.

CCO Home Page

<https://www.cco.purdue.edu/>

**** Two copies of resume due.**

September 3 **(Optional)** Industrial Roundtable Prep Night (for the large Campus-Wide Career Fair Sponsored by Engineering) 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. -
Purdue Memorial Union, North Ballroom

The Industrial Round Table information home page is

<https://www.purdueesc.org/careerfairs/ir/studentcenter/information>

9 **(Optional)** Industrial Round Table Seminars – Stewart Center
12:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. See the IR Handbook on line for details.

10 – 11 **(Optional)** 9:30 am – 4:30 pm Industrial Roundtable Career

Fair Memorial Mall

On campus interviews through September 13. Stewart Center, Young Hall, Purdue Memorial Union

September 4 **“Professional Insights and Lessons Learned”** 304 Matthews Hall

Tom McKinney – Indiana Prairie Farmer Master Farmers, DuPont Pioneer Seed Dealer, Precision Ag Dealer., Community Leaders. Kempton, IN

**** Company Research Outline Due (Choose To Outline An Employer You’re Targeted With Your Resume And With Whom You Plan To Speak At The October 1 College Of Agriculture Career Fair If Possible.**

The direct link to the list of companies coming to interview at the College of Agriculture Career Fair is

<https://purdue-csm.symplicity.com/events/a5b1f74f57ded9a04d71ece71f4ca151/employers>

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September 4 **Mock Career Fair (Optional)** – 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Purdue Memorial Union North and South Ballrooms - Sponsored by Purdue Alumni Association Student Experience (PASE) and the Purdue Center For Career Opportunities (CCO).

Practice interviewing skills and increase confidence. 20-30 employers on-site to role play a career fair. Receive helpful feedback on your resume and interviewing presentation.

A photo station will be available for you to have a FREE professional headshot photo taken (professional attire recommended).

September 11 **“Business Interviewing Etiquette”**. Anthony Cawdron. Purdue University Hospitality and Tourism Department - 304 Matthews Hall

**** CCO staff member-signed and marked (132 Young) version stapled to your improved (revised per CCO staff suggestions) resume due in class.**

****Due date for uploading your improved resume to myCCO.**

**** Due date for uploading your profile to myCCO.**

The myCCO web site is

<https://www.cco.purdue.edu/#myCCO>

- September 18 **Professional Agronomist Perspectives** 304 Matthews Hall

Carl Joern – Pioneer Field Agronomist

Abby Horlacher – Greene Crop Consulting

****Independent Study Requirement: Prior to the September 18 class meeting** please read and become familiar with the contents of the CCO Ace The Interview web site at

[https://www.cco.purdue.edu/Students/AcetheInterview - PracticetheSTARMethod](https://www.cco.purdue.edu/Students/AcetheInterview-PracticetheSTARMethod)

****Independent Study Requirement: Prior to the September 18 class meeting** please complete the CCO Interactive Practice Interview – “Big Interview” on line.

<https://purdue.biginterview.com>
- September 25 **The Professional Workplace, Networking and Career Development**

304 Matthews Hall

Dr. Bruce Erikson – Purdue Agronomy Education Distance and Outreach Director

Melissa Bell – Commercial Agronomist, Mycogen
- September 30 **(Optional) Resume Blitz** –11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.in AGAD 121 Student Commons to have your resume critiqued by CCO staff. You may also have your resume critiqued by a CCO staff member on a walk-in basis in room 132 Young Hall.

(Optional – Highly Recommended) Employer Panel Discussion – 5:30-7:00 p.m. in Pfendler Hall 241(Deans Auditorium). An employer panel discussion is scheduled for the night before the Career Fair to support student participation in the Career Fair (covers resumes, interviewing follow-up correspondence, networking, protocol etc.).
- October 1 1 (No Class On October 2) **Purdue School of Agriculture Career Fair**

Cordova Recreational Sports Center
(Note: Participate In The Career Fair On October 1 As Much As Your Time Will Allow Instead of Meeting With The Class On October 2– It is very much to your advantage to prepare for and participate fully in this Career Fair. Most College of Ag. students find their summer internships and full-time positions directly through this activity). The program runs from approximately 9:30 in the morning until 3:30 in the afternoon. Over 155 Agricultural industry representatives will be on hand to visit with you.

https://ag.purdue.edu/oap/career/pages/student_career_fairs_main.aspx

Please ask one of the company reps with whom you spoke at the College of Ag. Career Fair to sign a copy of your resume and turn it in at the class meeting on October 16.

- October 9 ****Progressive Dinner With The Agronomy Faculty.**
- No class meeting at 3:30 pm on October 9. Instead, please meet at 5:30 pm in 2-425 Lilly Hall.** Business casual attire is requested for dinner with your host faculty at the Daniel Turf Center. You will be returned to campus by 7:30 pm Enjoy!
- Please talk with Dr. Schweitzer before this date regarding exam or other conflicts with the progressive dinner schedule. Alternate arrangements will be made in these cases. Please also let Dr. Schweitzer know if you have special dietary needs. Thank you!
- October 16 **150 Years Of Giant Leaps - Purdue History and Heros** – John Norberg – Author and Speaker. 304 Matthews Hall
- October 23 **Study Abroad Programs.** Kara Hartman and Student Study Abroad Alumni - Purdue International Programs in Agriculture. 304 Matthews Hall
- October 30 **Perspectives On Precision Crop Management** - Calvin Knotts – Precision Ag. Specialist - Redline Equipment - Rossville, Indiana. 304 Matthews Hall
- November 6 **Career Management.** Jamie Bultemeier. A & L Laboratories, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. 304 Matthews Hall
- November 13 **Perspectives On Professional and Personal Success.** Dr. Terry Semmel, Breeding and Research Director - Innovative Seed Solutions and Distinguished Field Scientist – Monsanto. West Lafayette, Indiana 304 Matthews Hall
- November 20 **Perspectives On Research and Graduate Study.** Dr. Eileen Kladivko, Dr. Mitch Tuinstra and Dr. Tony Vyn - Department of Agronomy - Purdue University. 304 Matthews Hall
- November 27 **Thanksgiving Vacation**
- December 4 **Wrap Up - Last Class Of The Semester.** Please make sure all of your assignments have been completed. Contact Dr. Schweitzer if you have questions or require assistance. 304 Matthews Hall
- December 11 **Finals Week Begins. No AGRY 39800 Meeting Or Final Exam**

Have A Blessed And Merry Christmas!