

# K-State Agriculture Doctoral Programs Ranked in Top 10

A website that compares university programs across the United States has ranked several K-State College of Agriculture programs in the Top 10.

The rankings, at *PHDS.org*, use data from the National Research Council, the National Science Foundation, and the Center for Education Statistics to provide information about quality measures or graduate programs. The rankings are based on doctoral programs.

K-State is the top-ranked plant pathology doctoral program and No. 10 nationally among 162 plant sciences departments, which puts it ahead of plant pathology programs at Cornell University, the University of Wisconsin, and the University of California-Davis.

“These rankings, which include numerous renowned universities across the United States, are a testament to the incredible work being done across the college’s doctoral programs,” said John Floros, dean of the College of Agriculture and director of K-State Research and

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K-State’s agricultural economics program is ranked No. 4, ahead of similar departments at Purdue University and Cornell.

In addition, K-State’s entomology doctoral program is ranked No. 8 and the interdepartmental food science program No. 9, compared with other universities’ programs.

In the “Research Productivity category,” the university’s animal science doctoral program ranked No. 5 among animal and dairy science programs nationally.

K-State’s Department of Grain Science and Industry was not included in the rankings because it is the only institution in the country that offers college degrees in all three areas of baking, feed, and milling science and management.

Overall rankings are based on a variety of criteria including research productivity, student outcomes, student resources, diversity, and a National Research Council quality measure.

