

**College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR)  
Draft Student Fee Proposal, v. 3  
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**Rationale for Student Fees in the College of ANR**

The curricula offered by the College of ANR are primarily focused on science and technology with a diverse roster of undergraduate teaching laboratories, research-based capstone courses and undergraduate research. The students have access to and regularly use instruments in their undergraduate teaching laboratories that are purchased and maintained using federal research funds. Furthermore, the College is deeply engaged in distance education (e.g. Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership) and those programs are being subsidized by students located on the main campus in Laramie.

The majority of land grant universities now charge differential tuition or program fees for high cost, high demand, and high private-value degrees. CSU, in particular, charges program fees in virtually all of their colleges including a Science (\$68/cr hr), Health Sciences (\$68/cr hr), Agriculture (\$51), etc. Even the honors program at CSU charges a fee of \$51/cr hr. The maximum fee outlined below for the College of ANR is less than half the CSU Agriculture fee.

Student fees require us to be more accountable to students for monies spent. Yet, such fees have become essential to our effort to offer technically relevant training.

**Proposed fee structure for the College of ANR:**

<i>Category</i>		<i>Fee</i>
Departmental Fees (by course prefix)		
	Ag A	\$10 / credit-hour
	Ag B	\$15 / credit-hour
Program Fees (specific programs)		\$25 / student / semester
College Fee (all ANR course prefixes)		\$10 / credit-hour

Fees assigned by departmental course prefixes will support teaching laboratory chemicals, laboratory consumables and disposables and the costs of instrumentation operation. These fees also support studio materials for design and nutrition studio classes and the equipment essential to these studios.

Program fees cover costs unique to a given degree or program. In the College of ANR, the only program fee requested is for the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree program in Organizational Leadership, which is fully online and targets students who have received an associate's degree in an applied science (e.g. welding or culinary arts) and have career experience. Thus, the BAS program provides a pathway from AAS degree to a BS degree. The program has 241 students with 129 students actively enrolled in classes any given semester, which is typical for online programs and nontraditional students. About 82% of these students are in-state and thus, the program director must visit each of the Community Colleges on a regular basis to meet with students and to deal with articulation and teaching issues that regularly arise in this interdisciplinary and interdepartmental program. We are requesting a \$25 fee per semester to support these activities.

The College fee provides services that are applicable to all of our students. About 60% of this fee will go to support Student Success services such as academic advising, internships, and counseling services. About 25% of this fee will support maintenance of research-grade instrumentation employed in teaching laboratories and the remainder will enable student travel to academic competitions and professional conferences.

Fees listed by Department and Course Prefix-(per course credit hr.):

- 1.) Dept. of Family and Consumer Sciences  
Ag. B fee: applies to all FCSC-prefix'd courses
- 2.) Dept. of Ag. Applied Economics  
Ag. A fee: applies to all AGECE- courses
- 3.) Dept. of Animal Science  
Ag. B fee: ANSC- and FDSC- prefix'd courses
- 4.) Dept. of Ecosystem Science and Management  
Ag. A: Applies to all REWM-, SOIL-, RNEW-, and ENTO-courses
- 5.) Dept. of Plant Sciences  
Ag. B fee: applies to all AECL-1000 and PLNT-courses
- 6.) Dept. of Veterinary Sciences  
Ag. B fee : applies to all PATB-prefix'd courses
- 7.) Dept. of Molecular Biology  
Ag. B fee: applies to all MOLB-courses

Fees listed by Programs:

Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Leadership  
\$25 per student, per Semester

Total Fee Revenues in the College of ANR per AY:

**Estimated Fee Revenue in the College of ANR Based on Student Enrollment in AY 2014-15:**

Unit	Total Credit-Hours (AY 2014-15)	Fee (per cr-hr)	Enrolled Students (per sem)	Fee (per student- sem)	Estimated Revenue (per AY)
College of ANR Fee:	24,972	\$10		\$0	\$249,724
Department Fees:					
* ANR Dean's Office	598	\$0		\$0	\$0
Agricultural & Applied Economics	2,381	\$10		\$0	\$23,810
** Animal Science	3,192	\$15		\$0	\$47,885
** Vet. Sciences	1,269	\$15		\$0	\$19,028
** Ecosystem Science and Mgmt.	3,875	\$15		\$0	\$58,128
Family and Consumer Sciences	6,340	\$15		\$0	\$95,105
** Molecular Biology	5,426	\$15		\$0	\$81,383
** Plant Sciences	1,892	\$15		\$0	\$28,374
Program Fee:					
BAS in Organizational Leadership			129	\$25	\$6,450
<b>Total:</b>					<b>\$609,885</b>

\*e.g. Agricultural Communication and Leadership

\*\*Includes student credit hours taught by these departments as part of the Interdepartmental Microbiology Program

**Promise to Students:**

The college will offer hands-on training in current technologies. We will provide career and academic advising targeted to their majors plus support for career development in the form of internships and travel. Overall, our objective is to ensure that students are “career-ready” upon graduation.

**Accountability:**

The primary metric for success will be job placement for new graduates. Secondary measures of success will be improvements in student retention and graduation rates.