




AGRICULTURAL & FOOD SCIENCE

Agricultural and food scientists research ways to improve the efficiency and safety of agricultural establishments and products.

Agricultural and food scientists work in:

-  laboratories
-  greenhouses
-  agricultural fields



How do you become a FOOD SCIENTIST?

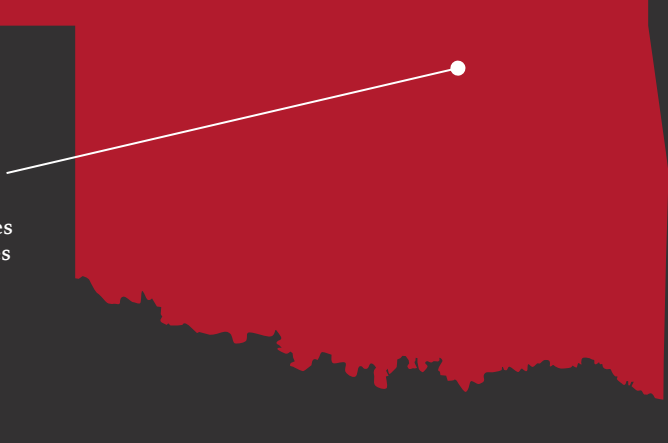
Agricultural and food scientists need at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited postsecondary institution, although many pursue advanced degrees. Many professionals pursue degrees in food science, microbiology, chemistry, and botany.

According to the Occupational Outlook Handbook Agricultural and Food Science careers are expected to grow by 7% by 2026.

EDUCATION



STILLWATER, OK
Bachelor of Science
in Agricultural Sciences
and Natural Resources
in Food Science



Earn credit towards an associate's degree in APPLIED SCIENCE IN CULINARY ARTS

- Autry Technology Center | Enid
- Caddo Kiowa Technology Center | Fort Cobb
- Canadian Valley Technology Center | Chickasha
- Francis Tuttle Technology Center | Oklahoma City
- Great Plains Technology Center | Lawton
- Indian Capital Technology Center | Muskogee
- Kiamichi Technology Center | Atoka
- Meridian Technology Center | Stillwater
- Metro Technology Center | Oklahoma City
- Northeast Technology Center | Afton
- Pioneer Technology Center | Ponca City
- Tri-County Technology Center | Bartlesville
- Tulsa Technology Center | Tulsa
- Western Technology Center | Burns Flat



SIMILAR OCCUPATIONS

AGRICULTURAL & FOOD SCIENCE TECHNICIAN:

Agricultural and food science technicians assist agricultural and food scientists by performing duties such as measuring and analyzing the quality of food and agricultural products. Professionals in this field earn an associate's degree in a science-related program.



MICROBIOLOGIST:

Microbiologists study microorganisms such as bacteria, viruses, algae, fungi, and some types of parasites. They try to understand how these organisms live, grow, and interact with their environments.



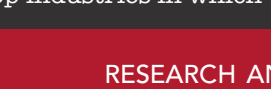
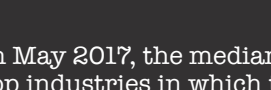
CHEF AND HEAD COOK:

Chefs and head cooks oversee the daily food preparation at restaurants and other places where food is served. They direct kitchen staff and handle any food-related concerns.



HIGHEST 10 PERCENT EARNED MORE THAN

\$120,130



NATIONAL MEDIAN ANNUAL WAGE FOR FOOD SCIENTISTS IN MAY 2017

\$71,990

LOWEST 10 PERCENT EARNED LESS THAN

\$38,260

In May 2017, the median annual wages for food scientists in the top industries in which they worked were as follows:

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN ENGINEERING - **\$76,050**

NATIONAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT - **\$66,110**

SCIENTIFIC AND TECH CONSULTING - **\$59,210**

COLLEGES AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS - **\$52,170**

Occupational Outlook Handbook, <https://bit.ly/2ERpMiq>
OK College Start, <https://bit.ly/1V8bdbo>
OK Career Guide, <https://bit.ly/1KCaxFy>



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