

Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications
Department of Agricultural Economics
INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE (INAG) GRADUATE CERTIFICATE
Capstone Experience Rubric

The INAG Graduate Certificate capstone experience provides learners with an opportunity to integrate specific knowledge and experience in international agriculture into a culminating outcome. Participants may select one of several credit-bearing capstone experiences to complete this INAG requirement. AGECE 613 (International Agricultural Development Policy), or ALEC 685, or AGECE 685 (Directed Studies) fulfills the capstone experience. Texas A&M University requires validation and evaluation of all certificate program capstone experiences. The following steps are used to evaluate/validate all current and future INAG capstone experiences.

1. Register in a capstone experience; choose AGECE 613, ALEC 685, or AGECE 685
 - ALEC 685/AGECE 685 require a Contract before enrollment, stating:
 - Registrant's Information: Student Name, UIN, Phone Number, and Email;
 - Course Information: Semester, Year, and number of Hours of Credit;
 - Faculty member in charge of Directed Studies (consistent with the INAG)
 - Purpose of the Directed Studies: (Brief description of what the learner will do to receive credit for the course.)
 - Techniques for the Directed Studies: (Brief description of the steps, experiments, statistics, activities, procedures, or other outcomes to be accomplished.)
 - ALEC 685/AGECE 685 Contract requires approval of Instructor
 - Directed Studies Examples: appropriate projects/studies/activities should include topics relevant and/or germane to the INAG Certificate, such as learner-initiated project evaluations, case studies, or curriculum development within the international agricultural development sector. It is expected that capstone experience outcomes will be shared with audiences (e.g., departmental/college seminar, research abstract or professional development poster at SRW, or another appropriate venue) other than course instructors (AGECE 613) or supervising faculty (ALEC 685/AGECE 685).
2. Submit the INAG Capstone Experience Rubric Form after faculty member(s) complete the capstone experience evaluation.

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Participants' Name:			
Email:	UIN:		
Capstone Experience:			
How well does the participant meet expectations in the following areas?	Ratings Well Below = 1 Below = 2 Meets = 3 Above = 4 Well Above = 5		
1. Capstone experience had >50% focus in an INAG-specific context.			
2. Exhibited coherent understanding of INAG-specific knowledge.			
3. Applied knowledge to solve problems or make decisions in an international agriculture context.			
4. Used a variety of sources and alternative views to critically evaluate ideas and information in the INAG capstone experience.			
5. Incorporated an ethical course of action during the capstone experience.			
6. Effectively disseminated results of the INAG capstone experience.			
7. Demonstrated mastery of the concepts related to the INAG Certificate.			
8. Overall Assessment of the INAG Capstone Experience:	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px 10px;">PASS</td> <td style="padding: 2px 10px;">FAIL</td> </tr> </table>	PASS	FAIL
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Comments:			
Faculty Name(s):			
Faculty Signature(s):			
Date:			