

Welcome to the Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering (ABE) at Purdue! I am glad that you've chosen ABE and Purdue for your degree. I encourage you to get involved and get connected with us, even this summer, and especially this fall when you arrive on campus.

Connect with your ABE advisor! Your <u>ABE advisor</u> will be a key contact for you regarding any questions you might have about courses, registration, and nearly anything else you may have questions about.

Connect with your professors! Your <u>professors</u> are tremendous resources for you, not only for the course they teach that you're taking. They have deep knowledge about the technical field that you are studying. They know alumni of our program who work in fields that interest you.

Connect with <u>clubs affiliated with ABE</u>! The student chapter of our professional society, <u>ASABE</u>, provides opportunities to meet other ABE students, hosts alumni as guest speakers, and organizes visits to local companies that hire ABE graduates. Are you interested in ag machinery? The <u>Purdue Pullers</u> quarter scale tractor club might be of interest. Interested in digital technology in agriculture, software, drones, robots, and more? The <u>Digital Ag Club</u> might be for you. There are many more ways to get involved with other students with similar interests. Ask your advisor and professors about other clubs that might be a good fit.

Connect with fellow students. You will meet many students in classes, but fellow students in ABE can be great for study groups, advice on internships and clubs, and helping you navigate the university and the department. The <u>ABE Ambassadors</u> are students knowledgeable about all the ABE majors and are well connected resources for you. I'm looking forward to seeing you on campus in the fall.

Boiler up! Hammer down! Go Purdue!

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