

Animal Science - Meat Science option

Rebuilding the Future of Meat. One Skilled Butcher at a Time. Today's consumers want to know where their food comes from—and who's behind it. The Meat Science/Butchery option within our Animal Science program prepares students to lead the movement toward locally-sourced meat systems. You'll gain the knowledge and hands-on experience to process livestock humanely, safely, and skillfully. Whether you're looking to join the industry, launch your own butcher shop, or bring added skills to culinary or agricultural careers, this program offers a modern approach to a timeless trade. The Associate of Science in Agriculture – Animal Science Option, Range Management Option or Meat Science Option prepares the student for a bachelor's degree in Agriculture.

Central Wyoming College is the only community college in the state offering a hands-on meat science degree and butchery certificate. Our new USDA-certified Meat Lab—located within the Rustler Ag & Equine Complex—offers real-world, community-based processing experience using industry-standard equipment.







Degree/Certificate

- Associate of Science
- Meat Processing Certificate II

Learn Skills

- Humane Livestock Handling
- Animal Harvest and Fabrication
- Food Safety & Meat Science
- Biology & Animal Physiology

Career Opportunities

- Butcher or Meat Cutter
- Culinary and Restaurant Professions
- Grocery & Retail Meat Department
- USDA or State Meat Inspector
- Own and Operate Your Own Butcher Shop or Processing Plant

What You'll Experience

- Hands-on training in a USDA-certified Meat Lab
- Work with local ranchers and livestock
- Learn food safety protocols and processing standards
- Participate in the reinvention of rural and regional meat economies
- Access scholarships and transfer opportunities to four-year universities

Non-Discrimination Statement

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