

Director of Development - Agriculture
Auburn University

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Job Title	Director of Development - Agriculture
Department	AG Constituency Adv
Institution	Auburn University Auburn, Alabama
Date Posted	Aug. 1, 2025
Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Director/Manager
Academic Field(s)	Development/Institutional Advancement
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Job Description

Auburn Advancement is excited to begin the search for a Director of Development (College of Agriculture) to join our philanthropy team! You will lead and inspire a passionate team to secure transformative philanthropic contributions, vital for the advancement and enrichment of the College of Agriculture, Auburn Advancement, and Auburn University. The Auburn University College of Agriculture tackles world-shaping challenges like sustainable food and energy for billions through groundbreaking work in health, food safety, sustainability, energy, technology, community development, animal welfare, and more. Your leadership and partnered vision will cultivate meaningful relationships and drive impactful support that empowers our mission and fuels Auburn University's growth.

What You'll Do:

- **Lead with Vision:** Manage and motivate a team of talented fundraisers to achieve ambitious fundraising goals, fostering a culture of excellence and collaboration.

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- **Engage and Inspire:** Work with prospects, donors, corporations, foundations, faculty, and high-level administrators to secure funding and support for the College of Agriculture.
- **Drive Impactful Fundraising:** Maintain comprehensive and consistent records, regularly auditing data for accuracy and integrity to support reporting and compliance requirements.
- **Champion Philanthropy:** Build meaningful relationships with philanthropic donors, securing transformative gifts, and inspiring a culture of giving that directly supports the College of Agriculture, Auburn Advancement, and Auburn University's mission and growth.

Why You'll Love It Here:

- **Impactful Work:** Your efforts will directly contribute to the growth and success of Auburn University and its priorities.
- **Collaborative Environment:** Join a team of dedicated professionals who are committed to making a difference.
- **Purpose Driven Work:** Align your passion and fulfillment to your work, where you're trusted to reach your full potential and achieve your pinnacle career experience.
- **Culture by Design:** Thrive in a culture that champions respect, accountability, and professional development.

Now is the perfect time to join Auburn Advancement, a dynamic team encompassing Operations and Strategy, Culture and Talent, Engagement, Philanthropy, and Communications. Under the visionary leadership of Senior Vice President Rob Wellbaum - a seasoned and respected advancement professional - our organization is set to revolutionize the future of Advancement.

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The Auburn University College of Agriculture traces its roots back to 1872, when the Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College was established as a land-grant institution. Throughout its history, the college has helped advance the agricultural industry and strengthen communities across Alabama and around the world. Today, the college offers 13 undergraduate majors and 23 graduate programs to prepare the next generation of agricultural leaders. Its faculty also hold appointments within the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station and the Alabama Cooperative Extension System, where they conduct innovative research and work hand-in-hand with producers and communities throughout the state. This position reports jointly to the Assistant Vice President of Philanthropy and the Dean of the College of Agriculture.

The nature of this role is highly externally focused, requiring frequent travel and meetings on and off campus during regular and non-traditional business hours, and is therefore expected to operate with high-levels of autonomy.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

Contact