

Carson Ostrum Bio

My name is Carson Ostrum and I am entering my fourth and final year as an Agricultural Operations Management major here at the University of Florida. Throughout my college career, I have focused on my agribusiness concentration by attaining a minor in Management and Sales in Agribusiness while also diversifying my education by working towards a second minor in Agricultural and Natural Resource Ethics and Policy.

During my time at the University of Florida, I have excelled academically as I have made the Dean's List every semester as well as the President's Honor Roll three separate times. I was also accepted into both the University of Florida Honors Program and the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Honors Program. These programs have allowed me to take fascinating courses with some of the top professors and conduct extensive research related to my area of interest. One of these projects is my Honors Thesis which is based on determining how consumers perceive the idea of purchasing fresh produce online. The University of Florida has agreed to fund my research through the University Scholars Program and the ABE Undergraduate Research Program. I take immense pride in the fact that my university sees the promise in my work and is therefore willing to support it financially.

This past summer, I interned with Topco Associates as a Produce Procurement Intern where I was able to apply my educational knowledge to real-world situations within the industry. I am on track to graduate Suma Cum Laude from the University of Florida this upcoming spring where I plan to continue working within the food/grocery industry.