

Taryn A. Cox

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Education

Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS Expected Graduation May 2027
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture
Major: Agricultural Communications and Journalism
Minor: Agricultural Economics, Pre-Law
Cumulative GPA: 3.469
DeSales Catholic High School, Walla Walla, WA June 2023
Diploma
Cumulative GPA: 3.98

Experience

Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS April 2024 – Present
National Agricultural Biosecurity Center

- Conduct research on agricultural biosecurity, focusing on emerging threats to the industry.
- Analyze extensive datasets from diverse sources to identify patterns and trends.
- Assess cause-and-effect relationships related to potential risks facing agriculture.
- Synthesize complex data into clear and accessible reports for stakeholders.
- Design and author a monthly newsletter to communicate research findings and insights effectively.

Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS February 2024 – Present
Department of Agricultural Economics

- Serve as a teaching assistant, supporting a professor in Agricultural Economics.
- Provide tutoring assistance to students in introductory economics courses, fostering their understanding and academic success.
- Evaluate and grade assignments, ensuring timely feedback and maintaining academic standards.

Northwest Grain Growers, Inc, Walla Walla, WA June – August 2023 - 2024

- Operated multiple scale houses and grain elevators, ensuring accurate measurement and processing of grain.
- Monitored and managed computer systems to support operational efficiency and data integrity.
- Entered and maintained data within the computer system to facilitate smooth operations.
- Effectively resolved conflicts between customers, promoting collaboration and maintaining positive relationships.

Klickers Berries and Antiques, Walla Walla, WA May – September 2022

- Assisted customers in-store and via phone, delivering outstanding service.
- Managed cash register operations, including processing transactions, handling refunds, and closing the register at the end of the day.
- Stocked fruits, vegetables, and other products, ensuring optimal display and inventory levels

Klickers Christmas Trees, Walla Walla, WA November – December 2019 - 2023

- Assisted customers in selecting and loading trees into their vehicles, providing exceptional service throughout the process.
- Worked outdoors in challenging weather conditions, demonstrating resilience and dedication.
- Maintained a positive and helpful demeanor while thriving in a fast-paced work environment

Lazy F Livestock, Walla Walla, WA 2017 – Present

- Contribute to the management of purebred Red Angus and Charolais herds, supporting overall herd health and productivity.
- Assist with daily operations and maintenance tasks to ensure efficient ranch management.
- Collaborate on marketing efforts for heifers and 4-H steers, enhancing sales opportunities.
- Manage the ranch's social media presence to promote livestock and engage with the community.

Activities and Involvement

Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow August 2024 – Present

Kansas State University

- Attend bi-monthly meeting to network with my peers
- Attend professional development workshops host by ACT
- Network with industry professionals

University Honors Program August 2023 - Present

Kansas State University

- Taking a rigorous courseload that includes advanced coursework

Agricultural Economics Club August 2023 – May 2024

Kansas State University

- Attend monthly meetings to learn from industry professionals
- Network with peers and mentors within Agricultural Economics

Western States Junior Red Angus Association November 2022 - Present

Social Chair

- Organize youth events at livestock shows
- Work with fellow board members and attend monthly meetings
- Design social media posts and forms for online contests

Junior Red Angus Association of America June 2021 - Present

Member and Board of Directors

- Helped lead a youth conference with over 30 participants July 2024
- Elected to the Board of Directors June 2024
- Attended a collegiate leadership conference at the annual Red Angus Association of America convention September 2023
- Attended various agriculture education trips nationwide July 2021, July 2022
- Active member July 2021 – Present