Enhance your understanding of production and competition in agricultural world markets. Students will analyze production agriculture (typical farms/ranches), business and trade in Argentina and compare them with respect to the U.S. Pre-departure orientation will familiarize students with the history, culture, politics, geography, soil, agriculture, economy, and trade of Argentina. With instructors Dr. Sergio Lence, Dr. Ebby Luvaga, and Dr. Tom Loynachan.

What some students have said:

- “I feel I better understand how the production, marketing, processing, and transportation of the agricultural industry operates and how they compare and contrast to the US.”

- “I experienced a culture beyond the Midwest, and better understand how the US economy interacts with others around the world. I gained an appreciation for what we do here in US.”

- “My communication skills developed more as well as critical thinking skills, while piecing together a puzzle from what I heard from each person in the country.”

- “This trip opened my mind to another culture. I’m very thankful for the opportunity to study abroad, and I have gained an appreciation for other countries as well as my own.”
Financial support available:
- Agronomy Travel Fellowship
- College of Agriculture Study Abroad Office (111 Curtiss Hall): http://www.agstudyabroad.iastate.edu/funding.asp
- ISU Study Abroad Center (256 Memorial Union):
  - http://www.iastate.edu/~study-abroad/Financing/Scholarship.html#sojourner

Program fees:
$3,647 per student (includes airfare, lodging, round trip airport transportation in the US, on-site local ground transportation, and service provider fees)

Applications:
Apply at the College of Agriculture Study Abroad Office in 111 Curtiss ($10 application fee)

Deadline: November 1st, 2011
Enrollment Limit: 20 students

Informational meetings:
- Tuesday, October 11, 4:10-5 PM, 2026 Agronomy Hall
- Wednesday, October 12, 5:10-6 PM, 368A Heady Hall

Tentative Itinerary Highlights:
- Travel to Buenos Aires, city tour
- Universidad Católica Argentina, meet with faculty and students
- Buenos Aires Grain Board and futures market
- Headquarters of Cargill, Inc. in Argentina
- Liniers Cattle Market
- Molino Argentino processing plant in Lujan (wheat mill)
- Rosario futures exchange
- Cargill, inc. trading, storage, export, crushing and fertilizer facilities in Rosario
- Visit typical farm, farm show, and country dealer in Santa Fe province
- Conclude with a guided tour of the impressive Iguazú falls on the border

* areas visited

More information at: http://www2.econ.iastate.edu/classes/econ496/lence/spring2012/ or contact Dr. Sergio Lence (shlence@iastate.edu), Dr. Ebby Luvaga (luvaga@iastate.edu), or Dr. Tom Loynachan (teloynac@iastate.edu).