

# Kaitlyn Dinges

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## Education

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**Kansas State University**, College of Agriculture, Manhattan, Kansas

*Doctor of Philosophy in Agricultural Economics*, Expected Competition – May 2022

- GPA: N/A
- Graduate Research Assistant - USDA National Needs Fellow, Full Tuition and Stipend

**Fort Hays State University**, *Werth College of Science, Technology, and Mathematics*, Hays, Kansas

*Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Business*, Graduated May 2018

- B.S. Agriculture Business and Certificate in Economics
- Cumulative GPA: 3.98
- Summa Cum Laude Honors
- Fort Hays State University Dean's Honor Roll: Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, and Spring 2018

## Work History

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**Kansas State University**, Graduate Research Assistant – USDA National Needs Fellow, Manhattan, Kansas

August 2018 – Present

- Assist in department research activities

**Dinges Ranch Co.**, Part-Owner, Ness City, Kansas

November 2010 – Present

- Check cattle and assist in daily operations of breeding and calving
- Assist with summertime alfalfa and cropland production

**Archer Daniels Midland Company**, Commodity Merchandising Intern, Leoti, Kansas

May 2018 – August 2018; May 2017 – August 2017

- Worked with the location's originator to develop grain merchandising skills
- Utilized Agris, Salesforce, DTN Offer Portal, and OneWeigh scale system
- Answered phone calls and provided cash bids daily
- Completed transactions daily for farmers and landowners
- Consulted with farmers and helped develop marketing strategies

**Fort Hays State University**, Economics, Finance, & Accounting Office Assistant, Hays, Kansas

January 2017 – May 2018

- Assist faculty members with projects, copies, etc.
- Answer phone calls and manage the office when the supervisor is absent

### **Academic Achievement**

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- 2018 National Pork Checkoff Fellow
- 2017 Royal Scholar Scholarship Recipient
- 2015 – 2018 Fort Hays State University Presidential Award
- 2015 – 2018 Fort Hays State University Miller Black & Gold Award
- 2015 – 2018 Ralph and Lucille Hunter Scholarship

### **Leadership**

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- Selected as a 2019 Student Fellow for Center of Risk Management Education and Research, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas
- Fort Hays Rodeo Club, Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kansas
  - Club Secretary: 2016-2017