DAFVM has six units: the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station, the College of Forest Resources, the Forest and Wildlife Research Center, the College of Veterinary Medicine, and the MSU Extension Service.

Each unit carries out the university’s trifold mission statewide, whether at the main MSU campus or one of four research and Extension centers, 16 branch stations, or Extension offices in all 82 counties. Clients include college students, agriculture and forestry producers, agribusiness and industrial firms, families, youth, local government entities, and numerous other organizations.

Our stewardship of research dollars helps farmers compete in world markets. MSU research and Extension outreach are helping Mississippi agricultural industry professionals survive brutal markets and other risks, and students are receiving training to become the agricultural leaders of tomorrow.

Today, we are developing new production systems, improving production practices, and researching new crop varieties. We are developing autonomous equipment and forest-management systems. DAFVM is forming the future of Mississippi agriculture and forestry today.

Thank you for allowing us to work with you and serve you.

The MSU Division of Agriculture, Forestry, and Veterinary Medicine, or DAFVM, embodies MSU’s national land-grant mission of teaching, research, and service. Our commitment to growing food and fiber, conserving natural resources, and delivering reliable education has remained strong since MSU was first created, almost 145 years ago in 1878.

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$8.33 BILLION
2021 farm-gate value of ag and forestry production (includes government payments)

$16.05 BILLION
2020 value added to the Mississippi economy by ag and forestry

$109 MILLION
2019 R&D expenditures in ag sciences and natural resources conservation

$97.2 MILLION
grants & contracts awarded to DAFVM faculty and staff FY 2021

3,648
students enrolled in DAFVM colleges in fall 2021

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