

TRANSCRIPT: WADE BRORSEN INTERVIEW

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An interview with Dr. B. Wade Brorsen, Regents Professor at Oklahoma State University. Brorsen is a 1983 graduate from Texas A&M and an inducted member of the Tyrus R. Timm Honor Registry.

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Could you please introduce yourself and tell us a little about your career?

I'm Wade Brorsen, I'm currently a professor at Oklahoma State. My job is heavily working with graduate students. I have a heavy research teaching position. I do a lot of research on futures' markets, price analysis counter metrics and most of the classes are PhD classes. I also teach undergraduate futures' market class.

Could you tell us a little about your experience at Texas A&M?

My experience at Texas A&M was like most others. I took lots of classes, I did a lot of research, made a lot of friends. It was, it was really a very nice experience. I was treated very well, and I'm very happy with the education I've received.

What experiences at Texas A&M do you value most?

Well I think I ... I value the friends I made here and relationships I developed. Probably the most - I also value the education I received along... here because it's really helped me a lot.

Would you describe your early career?

My first job was at Purdue University. It was a research and teaching position. I taught one class a year, taught Econometrics and basically they showed you your office, "Here's your office", and come back once a year, check, see what you did, and it was a job that I really liked because they just left me alone, and I had a lot of freedom, and basically my job was to write journal articles, and publish, and work with students, and Purdue was a wonderful class.

In your opinion, what does it take to achieve success?

Well, to achieve success really means achieving your goals, whatever those goals are. People have multiple goals that include things about family, friends. They also include professional success, include money. And, so... what, if you achieve the goal that you set out to do, I'd say certainly that you are successful.

What advice do you have for students of Agricultural Economics?

Well advice I give... I give students a lot is that, if you're an undergraduate student, and you want to go to graduate school, I say take more math. Whatever ... whatever math you've taken, take one more because graduate school and economics involves lots of mathematics.

How were you able to manage time for family, work, and other priorities throughout your career?

I've never had that much problem managing priorities of family, or my career. For one thing, I'm in academics and academics has a lot of flexibility. I've had fairly low teaching loads and research is always something that you can put off, or you can do when you have nothing else to do, and so I've never really had that much problem with imbalance.

What are your thoughts on being selected to the Tyrus R. Timm Honor Registry?

I've looked at the other people that have been included in the Ty Timm registry and I'm pretty impressed. It's really an impressive list and it's really great to see the success that so many people have had and they got degrees in agricultural economics, and to see their success in the variety of ways that they've been successful.

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