The American Forage and Grassland Council (AFGC) is an international organization made up of 22 affiliate councils in the United States with over 2,500 members. Our primary objective is to promote the profitable production and sustainable utilization of quality forage and grasslands. AFGC is dedicated to advancing the use of forage as a prime feed resource. AFGC Members represent the academic community, producers, private industry, institutes and foundations. Together, they unite in a common cause to promote and develop the forage industry.

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TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

**Individual Member**
A person from any sector with a vested interest in the forage industry but does not belong to a state affiliate council.

**Affiliate Member**
A person who joins a local or regional affiliate council is automatically an AFGC member.

**Corporate Member**
A company representative with a vested interest in the forage industry.

**Student Member**
A high school or college student with an education path focused in the forage industry.

**Sustaining Member**
A person wishing to obtain Lifetime membership by paying a higher annual membership fee for 10 years.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

There are many benefits to being a member of AFGC, such as:

- Online Membership Directory
- Monthly E-Newsletters
- Quarterly Newsletter
- Subscriptions to Progressive Forage Grower and Hay & Forage Grower
- Reduced Conference Fees
- Certified Forage and Grassland Professional
- Certified Forage and Grassland Apprentice
- Online Job Board

PRODUCER MEMBERS

“No investment in our farm has produced a higher ROI than our membership in the American Forage and Grassland Council (AFGC) and the North Carolina Affiliate Council (NCFGC). The forage systems and management skills that we learned in these Councils has taught us a nearly year-around grazing system that works well in North Carolina. Join your AFGC Affiliated State Forage Council today…. Don’t miss a huge blessing.”

V. Mac Baldwin, www.baldwinbeef.com

PUBLIC MEMBERS

“AFGC is a great organization. Everything is practical and applied in nature. It’s not all 15 minute presentations with no follow-up. You hear the science and get to find out what your peers really think about emerging issues. And everyone knows your name.”

John Jennings, Professor and Extension Forage Specialist, Univ. of Arkansas Division of Ag.

INDUSTRY MEMBERS

“As a leader in today’s range and pasture business, Dow AgroSciences provides modern forage management tools for producers. We are constantly developing new tools to help increase forage yields, improve forage quality and foster herd health. AFGC and its members provide us with an important opportunity to sound out new ideas, coordinate research and bring new products to life. Our goal is to create a business partnership with AFGC that enhances the sustainability of the entire forage-livestock industry.”

Byron Sleugh, Ph.D., Operational Excellence Leader with Dow AgroSciences

STUDENT MEMBERS

“I have been a member of AFGC for over a decade, and presently have the honor of serving as president of the Mississippi Affiliate Council. Of all the professional groups and societies I’m involved with, AFGC has always made the most sense to me. As a professional, the interaction between people from all sides of the agronomy table is the most rewarding. I enjoy the fact that, at meetings, you’re as likely to see a farmer giving a researcher advice about their pastures as the other way around. Nowhere else will you find professors, producers, students, industry specialists and researchers all together in the same room working toward the same goal with no feeling of elitism. Long story short, I love and support AFGC because of the great people that make it what it is. There is no other professional society so committed to the success of its membership, or one so connected to the group that it serves.”

Jesse Morrison, University of Mississippi

“AFGC membership was a wonderful opportunity for me as a student. I was able to attend local, state and national conferences. AFGC gave me a complete window into the forage industry that was invaluable for me as a college senior. It made me realize how much opportunity there was within the forage industry and made me want to pursue a career path in that industry. It served as a great networking opportunity for me in graduate school and eventually led to contact with my current employer. I am now happy to be involved in AFGC as an industry professional and continuing my participation in the organization.”

Katie Harver, Agronomist, Pennington Seed