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Setting his goal early in life Justin Scott always wanted to follow his father's example, who graduated in 1991 from the College of Agriculture with a B.S. majoring in Agronomy. Being able to accomplish the goal he set for himself as a youth is one of his points of pride.

Justin Scott has had the opportunity to showcase his skills and ability, and the Ohio State Agricultural Systems Management program, at the Precision Agriculture NACTA national competition. He enjoyed going toe-to-toe with Iowa State and Nebraska for the title. He described his impression of Iowa State as the gold standard in agronomy, precision agriculture, agricultural engineering and systems regarding their record in this competition. Justin was honored to be able to be the one to demonstrate that Ohio State's faculty and students are also talented.

Networking and forming relationships with the faculty, staff, and students in CFAES was also an important part of Justin Scott's fulfilling experiences during his undergraduate career. By building a network, he formed strong relationships that he hopes will carry on throughout his life. He has been fortunate to have made some of his best friends during his time at Ohio State, that he would have never met if he had not come to Ohio State.

Justin Scott was named to the Dean's List numerous times during his undergraduate career.

After graduation, Justin Scott will continue farming full time at the family farm. He will officially become a Certified Crop Adviser and be able to help out local corn, soybean, and wheat growers with agronomic insight they can trust and depend on. Justin Scott's experiences in writing fertilizer and seeding prescriptions, analyzing and evaluating production practices, taking soil/tissue samples, and utilizing aerial imagery all have inspired him to do some crop/farm consulting work in the future. While consulting is an option, he hopes to utilize the skills he has learned on his own farm and raise outstanding crops on his family's operation.

Dr. Dewey Mann has been Justin Scott's primary mentor throughout his time at Ohio State, academically and professionally. Justin Scott shared the following about Dr. Mann: "While academics are an important part of college, Dr. Mann stressed the importance of networking and professional development more than anyone. You can teach content, but you can't teach social and professional skills, and that resonated with me through the entirety of my four years. Whether running the combine or working ground out at Waterman, travelling to Texas for a Grain Elevator expo, or Precision Planting/360 Yield Center's winter conferences in Illinois, Dr. Mann pushed me to use these opportunities to show there's more to education in college than simply sitting in a classroom reading a book. Dr. Mann invested his trust and time into hiring me as his teaching assistant, and I am thankful for the opportunity I have had to have worked with him teaching Ag Machinery Management and in developing the Grain Handling, Drying, and Milling course."