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Note, by request of teachers we have included the answers to the questions immediately following the questions on a separate worksheet.

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**Ag enrollments mixed bag at state universities**

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Use the article titled:

**Ag enrollments mixed bag at state university**

1. **The title uses the words ‘mixed bag’ to describe enrollment and the second paragraph describes a trend being ‘bucked’. What do those words mean?**
2. **Name a new course offering at Illinois State University.**
3. **Name a new course offering at Southern Illinois University.**
4. **Name a new offering at the University of Illinois.**
5. **Name a new offering at Western Illinois University.**
6. **Describe a transfer student. Why would some students transfer**?
7. **What new program most intrigues you that one of the 4 universities is offering and why?**

Answer Key

1. Mixed bag-a diverse assortment of things or people

Bucked a trend-bucked-oppose of resist something that seems inevitable

1. ISU is offering the first Organic Crop Production course
2. SIU is offering courses related to indoor production off medicinal and recreational marijuana that would award certificates in horticulture as well as researching industrial hemp harvested for cannabidiol (CBD) oil.
3. UIUC is now offering Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communications programs that combined ag education and ag communications.
4. WIU now offers a hydroponic horticulture class as well as a new bridge program work toward both a bachelor’s and master’s degree. WIU also is focusing on alternative cover crops for biofuel.
5. A transfer student starts a college career at one college (typically a community college) and then transfers to a 4- year university. Answers will vary on why students transfer.
6. Answers will vary.