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May 2025 Department Newsletter



Perten Instruments Provides New Lab Equipment

The Department of Grain and Feed Science is proud to announce our newest partnership with Perten Instruments, a global leader in grain, flour, and food quality testing technology. This collaboration marks a major step forward in hands-on learning, cutting-edge research, and industry connection for our students and faculty.

The ribbon cutting was held at the IGP Institute along with the announcement of new lab equipment, innovation, and opportunities with the department.

A huge thank you to Perten for investing in the future of grain and food science. With their support, we're continuing to make K-State the place where science meets real-world solutions.



Congratulations to Rose Latta of Marysville, Kansas

Rose has been awarded the 2025 David Radenberg Memorial Scholarship by Kansas Wheat. Her journey from 4-H projects to studying milling science at K-State exemplifies dedication to agriculture and feeding the world.

Churchill Recognized as First Female Association President by IAOM



Fran Churchill, Milling Science Professor of Practice, completed her year as the President of the International Association of Operative Millers at the IAOM Annual Conference in Oklahoma City on May 1st, 2025.

As the first female president of the association, Fran has paved the way for future women in milling for years to come. We are so proud of all your accomplishments, Fran, and we look forward to seeing how you will continue to impact the lives of your students — both past and current.



GSI Students and Faculty Attend Pet Food Forum

K-State Department of Grain Science and Industry, K-State Olathe, and K-State Masters of Agribusiness partnered up to have a booth at Pet Food Forum in Kansas City at the

end of April.

Graduate students in our Pet Food Program presented their research, talked to industry partners, and met with others in the pet food world at our KSU booth! We also had a few undergraduate students attend, and this is a great networking opportunity for them as they decide which career path they'd like to go down.

Our Pet Food Program is one of a kind, and we are excited to see our students succeed.

Congratulations to the 2025 GSI and FSI Spring Graduates



All GSI and FSI Spring 2025 Graduates



Food Science and Management



Milling Science and Management



Bakery Science and Management



Feed and Pet Food Science



Recruiting Update

Madison Mackley, GSI recruiting coordinator, recently attended the Oklahoma State FFA Convention and the Kansas State FFA Convention to help recruit students to GSI.

Feeding the Future Camp Needs Sponsors

Feeding Your Future Camp is full, but we are still looking for sponsors. If companies would like to sponsor and be a part of camp, reach out to Madison. (*mmackley@ksu.edu*)



Construction Updates and Live Feed

Lots of work is being done on the Global Center for Grain and Food Innovation. You can find updates on construction and more information about K–State's Agriculture Innovation Initiative at https://www.k-state.edu/ag-innovation/.

For a live feed of the construction work, click here.

Our Mission

The mission of the Department of Grain Science and Industry is to advance the global grain and plant-based food, feed, and bioproduct industries through scholarship, research, and outreach.

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