

STAKEHOLDER NEWS



IGP Institute
INTERNATIONAL GRAINS PROGRAM

Upcoming in June

- IGP-KSU Advanced Baking: Breads
- USSEC Aquaculture
- Post-Harvest Fumigation School



Members of the Grain Procurement and Purchasing course visited a Cargill Grain Elevator in Topeka, Kansas.

Exploring the U.S. Grain Supply Chain

This month, IGP hosted two educational programs: the Grain Procurement and Purchasing Course, held May 10–16, and the Grain Export Supply Chain Expedition held on May 17–23. These programs are designed to help grain industry professionals from around the world gain a deeper understanding of the grain purchasing, trading, and export processes in the United States.

The Grain Procurement and Purchasing Course focused on key aspects of grain purchasing and market fundamentals. Participants explored topics such as grain procurement strategies, market analysis, and price discovery. The course also provided valuable insight into the economic factors that influence grain markets and trading decisions, helping attendees better understand how global and domestic market conditions impact the grain industry.

The Grain Export Supply Chain Expedition began in Chicago, Illinois, where participants learned about the grain trading process and the role of major transportation networks in moving grain to export markets. The group then traveled along the Mississippi

River, visiting various locks, dams, and barge facilities in Illinois and Missouri to observe the logistics of grain transportation. The expedition concluded in New Orleans, Louisiana, where participants witnessed the grain export process firsthand and gained a greater appreciation for the coordination required to move grain from producers to international customers.

Both programs provided participants with valuable industry knowledge, practical insights, and firsthand experiences that enhanced their understanding of the U.S. grain supply chain and its importance in global agriculture.



KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

May Participant Numbers

91

Distance

122

On-site



May Trainings and Activities

- Conducted IGP–KSU Grain Procurement and Purchasing – 14 participants
 - Conducted KSU—GEAPS Grain Elevator Managers – 29 participants
 - Conducted the IGP–KSU Grain Export Supply Chain Expedition – 12 participants
 - Conducted IGP–KSU Practical Flour and Dough Testing – 12 participants
 - Conducted IGP Feed Manufacturing – 42 participants
 - Conducted IGP–KSU Baking Basics Training: Breads, Cake and Cookies – 13 participants
 - Hosted President Phillippe Choquet visit from UniLaSalle University in France
 - Hosted USDA Under Secretary Luke Lindberg, Representative Tracey Mann, and Senator Jerry Moran visit
 - Conducted the SEC MENA Self-paced Hybrid Feed Manufacturing Virtual course – Impact 280
 - Presented virtually on feed mill bio-security at Fenavi Conference (Venezuelan Poultry Association) – Impact 300
 - Worked with USW Associates to provide technical training and assistance to flour mills in Bangkok Thailand, Manila Philippines, and Sariaya Philippines. Met with eight different flour milling companies over the two countries and provided a seminar presentation in Bangkok to 90 participants. – Impact 200
 - Hosted Jared Froetschner on Wisenetix’s Feed Science podcast
 - Presented a series of Winning the Game grain marketing webinars and workshops over grain marketing
 - Podcast interview with Brownfield Ag News
 - Re-introduction of sorghum future contracts by the CME group, a white paper re-introduction by Guy Allen
 - Conducted ECOLAB Boot-camp
 - Hosted an ADM meeting
 - Hosted Grain Science 670
 - Attended and presented at the Kansas Wheat Commission board meeting
 - Hosted the 2026 Kansas Wheat Tour
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