

STAKEHOLDER NEWS



IGP Institute resumes normal operations for on-site courses following the end of COVID classroom and travel restrictions

The IGP Institute has resumed normal operations following the end of university, county, and state restrictions on social distancing, masks, classroom sizes, building occupancy, and travel restrictions that were in place from March of 2020 through the end of K-State's spring 2021 semester in May. Kansas State University and the IGP Institute are asking course participants to follow the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's Travel and Exposure Related Isolation/Quarantine guidelines. <https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/175/Travel-Exposure-Related-Isolation-Quaran>

IGP currently has nine courses scheduled to begin in August including offerings covering pet food and extrusion, flour milling, flour and dough testing, feed manufacturing, and Food Safety and Modernization Act training. (See the full list at: <https://www.grains.k-state.edu/igp/>) In addition, IGP will continue to offer on-demand virtual courses in all of our curriculum areas to meet the needs of our clients.

"The pandemic was tough on everyone as they dealt with many obstacles to conducting business as usual caused by the worldwide spread of the virus, but it was especially challenging to our IGP faculty and staff as we had to adapt many of our courses that offer hands-on training in our mills and labs into virtual formats that could be held online," says IGP Associate Director and Flour Milling and Grain Processing Curriculum Manager, Shawn Thiele. "It will be good to have our industry partners, course participants, and friends back in person at the IGP conference center."



KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

June Participant Numbers

70

Distance

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On-site



June Trainings and Activities

- IGP–KSU Pet Food Formulation for Commercial Production – 16 virtual participants
 - USSEC Feed Manufacturing and Nutrition in Aquaculture Short Course – 50 virtual participants
 - WISHH Feed Safety Webinar for African and Asia – 14 virtual participants
 - Presented Notes and Observations in International Commodity Markets. A weekly set of headline articles of events impacting the international grain and oilseed markets; distributed to faculty, key stakeholders, and an international audience, as well as being posted on the Ag Manager website. Learn more at <https://www.grains.k-state.edu/igp/on-site-training/grain-marketing/>
 - Recap of Weekly U.S. Grain and Oilseed Export Shipment and Sales. A weekly set of analysis and data recapping the recent and year to date export shipment and sales. Distributed internally to IGP and to key stakeholders, and an international audience, as well as being posted on the Ag Manager website.
 - KSU Agriculture Today, with Eric Atkinson – Podcast: Prepared and presented the 20 minute podcast covering: “Highlights of Issues Facing the International Grain Trade” reflected in this month’s USDA WASDE International Trade Markets Report
 - Attended online launch meeting of SEC Americas
 - Attended online meeting for Grain Trade Australia – Refresher Short Course for GTA Arbitrators
 - Attended online meeting with Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack Meeting with Industry Stakeholders – USDA & the Build Back Better Initiative
 - Attended online meeting of the U.S. Cotton Board - Cotton & Coffee Episode 13: “Cotton Product Development and Implementation”
 - Attended U.S. Wheat Summer Board Meeting, Nashville, Ten.
 - Presented at the USSEC Sustainability webinar
 - Presented at USSEC’s Biosecurity for Feed Mills Committee for the Dominican Republic
 - Spoke at the Latin American Jersey Forum
 - Presented on a feed mill biosecurity webinar by USSEC Americas
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