World Bank Study Tour Brings International Team to IGP

The IGP Institute hosted seven international employees of the World Bank as part of the World Bank Study Tour held March 26–28, 2024.

The course provided an in-depth look at the U.S. agriculture industry and various programs and innovation labs at Kansas State University that support food security around the world.

Participants received lectures and presentations from university and IGP faculty members covering grain markets, international agriculture programs, current projects of the Global Collaboration for Sorghum & Millet (GCSM) and the USAID Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Collaborative Research on Sustainable Intensification (SIL).

IGP Senior Ag Economist, Guy Allen, presented on Kansas and global grain markets and the U.S. grain supply chain. IGP Feed Manufacturing and Grain Storage Specialist, Carlos Campabadal, provided information on grain storage basics and pest control to prevent post-harvest losses. Additional presentations covered sorghum breeding and biotechnology used to enhance grain varieties.

The participants also visited Kejr farms near Salina, Kansas, and toured the K-State flour mill and feed mill, the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center, and the Mid-Kansas Co-op (MKC) in Manhattan for a look at local grain production and storage facilities.
March Trainings and Activities

• Worked with U.S. Wheat Associates in South Africa to conduct milling audits and U.S. wheat milling trials with customers
• Met with Manhattan Brewing Company to discuss course offerings
• Attended the Kansas Wheat Commission Research Foundation Donor Event in Manhattan, Kansas
• Met with IAOM to discuss future collaboration and programming, Manhattan, Kansas
• Attended the IAOM Wheat State District Meeting in Manhattan, Kansas
• Hosted and presented for the World Bank Study Tour Meetings in Manhattan, Kansas
• Hosted the Grain Science and Industry Diversity Panel
• Hosted the Kansas Wheat CRF Donor Event attended by Coach Bill Synder and Senator Pat Roberts
• Attended the Commodity Classic in Houston, Texas
• Traveled with Sweet Manufacturing to Upstate New York to present at A.N. Martins Expo on Soybean Storage
• Met with USW Associates and Mexican Flour Mills for a potential research project on insect infestation
• Gave a presentation on Ladder Safety for Stand Up For Grain Safety organized by GEAPS
• Hosted Scoular’s Safety and Engineering Teams