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Milling Courses Offered for Industry Experts through Buhler

Buhler and the IGP Institute teamed up to offer a milling course for experts.

MANHATTAN, Kan. – Buhler, Inc. partnered with Kansas State University's IGP Institute to host six participants for the Buhler-KSU Expert Milling course, March 5–9, 2018, at the IGP Institute Conference Center.

"This course was particularly beneficial for the more experienced millers who are interested in learning more about the advanced milling techniques," says Shawn Thiele, flour milling and grain processing curriculum coordinator.

The course focused on giving participants a theoretical and practical understanding of advanced milling principles.

"When you get into a role and have certain jobs to do on a daily basis you sort of forget about the fine points of some of the milling elements," says Tim Hill, miller at Siemer Milling Company in West Harrison, Indiana. "It'll be good to go back and have that information in mind while helping the new millers that we have."

Hill explains that this was a course that he has heard a lot about. He enjoyed being able to see the different types of millers that were in the small group and gained a better understanding of the milling overview.

The training covered topics including wheat tempering, cleaning systems, the perfect break release, purifier techniques, roller mills, sifters, mill pneumatics and more. The content was taught through class presentations and also in hands-on milling exercises at the Hal Ross Flour Mill.

"During this course, we can take someone with milling experience and fine-tune their skills to optimize their mill," says Jason Watt, Buhler instructor of milling at Kansas State.

This is just one example of the trainings offered by the IGP Institute. In addition to grain processing and flour milling, IGP offers courses in the areas of grain marketing and risk management, and feed manufacturing and grain quality management. To learn more about these other courses, visit the IGP website at www.grains.k-state.edu/igp.

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