

STAKEHOLDER NEWS



IGP Institute

Upcoming in November

Buhler-KSU
Executive Milling
(English)

Buhler-KSU
Flowsheet
Technology (English)



Course instructor Shawn Thiele explains flowsheets for the grain milling processes to participants of the IAOM-KSU Advanced Milling Principles course in the Hal Ross Flour Mill.

IGP Spotlight



Chris Rodriguez

With the goal of expanding his knowledge outside of warehouse operations and customer development, Chris Rodriguez, warehouse and production manager at Grain Craft, completed the IAOM-KSU Advanced Milling Principles course earlier this

month. Rodriguez participated in the course to gain hands-on training into the milling operation with hopes to continue developing his milling skills.

“With our type of job, without going to college first, you don’t really know the mechanics behind the equipment, or the why’s,” Rodriguez says.

He believes understanding the smaller details within the milling process will help individuals advance in the industry.

“It’s all the in-betweens or connect the dots that help you realize the answers to those questions. For me, the biggest take away from the course is having a better understanding and being able to provide those answers to my employees,” Rodriguez says.



October Participant Numbers

47

On-site

86

Distance



A View From the Distance

While the IGP Institute is known for training grain industry professionals through on-site classes and supporting distance education platforms, many may not be aware of its connection to the International Association of Operative Milling (IAOM) Flour Milling Correspondence course.

“In our partnership, IAOM provides the course content to participants while the IGP Institute provides the online testing platform,” says Trina Adams, distance education manager. “The benefit to online testing is that the participants receive immediate feedback and are able to proceed through exams at a quicker pace. This is in contrast to paper testing that requires manually submitting the exam, staff time for grading and delayed feedback.”

Participants can complete any of the eight units at their own pace. After completion of a single unit participants are issued a certificate and after completion of all units they receive a diploma from IAOM. The test is offered in English, Spanish and Arabic as a hard copy. Through Canvas at Kansas State University, participants can take the tests online in English, and in 2019 the exams will be offered in Spanish online.

“By combining our efforts, we are able to more effectively provide milling training and professional development opportunities for IAOM members and professionals in the industry,” says Melinda Farris, IAOM executive vice president.

IGP Institute in Action



Shawn Thiele explains reduction system grinding to the IAOM–KSU Basic Milling Principles course participants at the Hal Ross Flour Mill.



IAOM-KSU Advanced Milling participants make adjustments to reduction rolls for a starch damage exercise.

October Trainings and Activities

- Led International Association of Operative Millers (IAOM)–KSU Advanced Milling at the IGP Institute
- Led IAOM–KSU Basic Milling Principles at the IGP Institute
- Led IAOM–KSU Advanced Milling course at the IGP Institute
- Attended Grain Elevator and Processing Society (GEAPS) Foundation Governing Board annual meeting
- Attended Export Exchange in Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Toured Buhler Inc. in Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Attended the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin
- Attended and presented at International Working Conference in Stored Product Protection in Berlin, Germany
- Presented at the United States Soybean Export Council (USSEC) Best Manufacturing Practices Seminar in Santiago, Dominican Republic
- Spoke to the U.S. Grains Council (USGC) Mexico Trade Team in Minneapolis, Minnesota

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