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Participants in the KSU–GEAPS Grain Elevator Managers course view a belt conveyor used for hands-on training during a tour of the Hal Ross Flour Mill led by guest instructor Bob Marlow (middle right).

## **IGP Hosts the KSU-GEAPS Grain Elevator Managers Course**

IGP hosted the KSU–GEAPS Grain Elevator Managers course January 21–24, 2025. This four-day course was intended to benefit individuals who are responsible for supervising grain elevators. It focuses on the science behind the practices used in grain management and provides managers with the information they need to correctly interpret the work experiences they will encounter.

Topics covered include grain receiving, logistics, storage, inventory management, human resources, maintenance, grain handling equipment, grain aeration strategies, fumigation, and how to work in a safe environment. Participants also gained hands-on experience through a tour of the Hal Ross Flour Mill, Hands-On Training equipment, and a group exercise to challenge their knowledge.

This course offered insights from industry experts that have managed a facility, along with professors and instructors at Kansas State University with experience related to grain handling and operations.

"This was a fantastic course. I'm glad I got the opportunity to come," said course participant, Tony Dowse.





## **January Trainings and Activities**

- Conducted the KSU-GEAPS Grain Elevator Managers course: 19 participants
- Conducted the IGP–KSU Pet Food Formulation for Commercial Production: 34 participants
- Attended and presented at the IAOM Educational Committee Winter Meeting. Virtual: Impact 15
- Met with USW Cape Town Office to discuss 2025 programming
- Attended and presented at the USW Winter Board Meeting, Washington DC: Impact 60
- Met with USW to discuss 2025 projects and programming with IGP

- Attended the Kansas Wheat Commission Board Meeting, Manhattan, Kansas
- Attended the Kansas Commodity Classic, Salina, Kansas
- Hosted the Kansas Soybean Emerging Leaders:
  11 participants
- Presented on grain quality at the Latin American Poultry Summit in Atlanta, Georgia: 80 participants
- Attended IPPE in Atlanta, Georgia
- Attended the Mexican National Meeting in Torreón, Mexico
- Presented on fees manufacturing at the SEC Americas Dairy course in Torreón, Mexico: 80 participants
- Attended the Kansas Soybean Celebration in Salina, Kansas