

SWINE PRODUCTION FOUNDATIONS APPLICATION GUIDE

- 1. <u>Apply to the Swine Production Foundations program.</u> You must apply to the program one month prior to the start date of your course. There are three steps to required to complete your application:
 - a. Complete the Statement of Interest form. This will be uploaded in the next step.
 - b. Complete the online registration <u>form</u>. As you complete the fields you will be asked to upload the Statement of Interest form.
 - c. Pay the application fee of \$95
- 2. **Record your student information.** Upon your acceptance to the program you will receive a username and password along with your student number.
- 3. <u>Register for your course.</u> Complete the registration form and submit. You must register for your course by the 20th day of the month prior to your start date refer to the calendar on the next page to confirm course starts and deadlines. There are 3 courses that you can register for and tuition must be paid upon time of registration:
 - a. Swine Operation Foundations SWIN-0065 (16 weeks to complete) Responsibilities of a swine technician related to swine operations are explored. The structure and scope of the pork industry will be discussed including biosecurity and safety and health procedures for swine production facilities. Record keeping and maintenance of pig barns, barn systems and the role of a swine technician are included.
 - b. Professionalism for Swine Tech SWIN-0066 (16 weeks to complete) The role of a swine technician to perform at a high level as a team member and stakeholder in the swine industry will be explored. Topics include preparing for and understanding the workplace, interacting efficiently and sharing the organizational vision. Areas of communication, conflict resolution and workplace diversity will be covered.
 - c. Swine Production Practices 1 SWIN-0067 (32 weeks to complete) Stockmanship and animal welfare responsibilities are defined as they pertain to a swine technician. Production practices throughout the pig life cycle including breeding, farrowing, nursery, grow and finish are taught along with pig health care. Understanding production practices will enable the swine technician to maintain the health of animals in their care and meet production requirements.
- 4. <u>Download the DUO app.</u> In order to access your online course, you will need to down load the multi-factor DUO app. Instructions for downloading the app can be found here.
- 5. **Enroll in your course.** You will receive enrollment information from the School of Agriculture and Environment by email. Follow the instructions in the email to enroll and begin your course.

You only need to apply to the program once. Each course requires you to complete steps 3-5. Complete all three courses in a five-year period and you will earn your Document of Achievement and be eligible for graduation ceremonies.



2024 ADVANCED SWINE PRODUCTION PROGRAM

= Application deadline

= Course registration deadline

= Courses begin April 1st, July 1st, October 1st, and January 2025

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