

November 2023

Department Newsletter

Holiday Bake Sale

Bakery Science Club has been preparing orders for their holiday bake sale. At the November 28th meeting, some BSM alums from Grupo Bimbo jumped into help with the baking. They also shared insights with the club on baking careers and the industry in general. The holiday bake sale will be Wednesday, December 6 from 2:00 - 6:00. The bake sale will be in Shellenberger Hall.



Shi Presents Distinguished Graduate Faculty Lecture

On November 30, Professor Yong-Cheng Shi gave a presentation at the Distinguished Graduate Faculty Lecture, "Modifying starches, flours, and grains for nutritional and functional properties". Shi was a recipient of the 2023-2024 Commerce Bank and W.T. Kemper Foundation Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award for his outstanding scholarly achievements and contributions to graduate education at the university. He has served as a major advisor or co-advisor to 34 graduate students and has served on the supervisory committee to 12 master's and 15 doctoral graduates in his department, as well as five committees of students in other disciplines. We congratulate Dr. Shi on all of his accomplishments.

KibbleCon Conference

On November 2nd, more than 115 pet food industry representatives from 18 states attended Kibblecon 2023, hosted at the K-State Alumni Center in Manhattan. The conference was filled with speakers and presentations from industry representatives and students around the nation. Keynote speakers consisted of Michael Johnson from BSM partners, Will Henry from Extru-Tech, and a panel of K-State researchers including Lonnie Hobbs, Sajid Alavi, and Guy Allen. K-State's pet food program was recognized, including an introduction of Julia Pezzali, new assistant professor of pet food science. Kibblecon was created by the K-State pet food program and K-State Innovation, and its

partners as a place to have honest conversations on the future of the industry with pet food visionaries and industry influencers.

FMI Foundation Scholarship Grant

Shivaprasad Doddabematti Prakash, a graduate student in the Department of Grain Science at Kansas State University, has been selected as a recipient of the FMI Foundation Scholarship for the 2023-2024 academic year. Out of a highly competitive pool of applicants, Shivaprasad demonstrated outstanding potential in the field of food and agricultural sciences.

Shivaprasad is a Ph.D student advised by Dr. Kaliramesh Siliveru, Associate Professor of Grain Science. David Fikes, Executive Director of the FMI Foundation and Gigi Vita, the Chief Food Safety Assessment Officer & Senior Vice President, Safe Quality Food Institute, congratulated Shivaprasad on his accomplishments to date and “look forward to following [Shivaprasad’s] career in food safety.” The FMI Foundation Scholarship of \$3,000, recognizes and supports students enrolled in food and agricultural science majors who exhibit a strong commitment to the field of accredited food safety auditing. The FMI Foundation focuses on research and education in the areas of food safety, nutrition, and health in its efforts to ensure continued quality and efficiency in the food retailing system. FMI’s focus on education led to the establishment of scholarship grants like the one Shivaprasad was awarded. As part of the award, the FMI Foundation also pays for the recipient’s registration, travel, and accommodations to attend the SQF Unites Conference on March 11-14, 2024, in New Orleans, Louisiana. The conference provides opportunities for educational sessions, engagement activities, and industry networking.

Commencement Ceremonies

Help us in celebrating our graduates this weekend!

Graduate School - Friday, December 8 at 1:00, Bramlage Coliseum

Livestream - <https://www.k-state.edu/graduation/ceremonies/fall2023/graduate-school.html>

College of Ag - Saturday, December 9 at 1:00, Bramlage Coliseum

Livestream - <https://www.k-state.edu/graduation/ceremonies/fall2023/agriculture.html>

Department Head Position

The College of Agriculture at Kansas State University (K-State) invites nominations and applications for the position of Head of the Department of Grain Science and Industry. The college seeks an experienced individual to provide leadership and administrative oversight for excellent instructional; research; diversity, equity, inclusion; and extension programs in the department. The department head will lead the completion of planning and oversee the initial occupancy of the new **Global Center for Grain and Food Innovation**, the centerpiece of the **\$210 million Agriculture Innovation Initiative** at K-State. Applicants should have an earned doctoral degree in a discipline of science or engineering such as Grain Science, Food Science, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Animal Science, or another related field relevant to Grain Science and Industry programs, and academic credentials and professional qualifications that merit appointment as a tenured associate or full professor in the department. Inquiries and

nominations may be sent to search committee chair Dr. Dan Moser, Associate Dean of Academic Programs, dmoser@ksu.edu, (785) 532-6151.

<https://careers.k-state.edu/cw/en-us/job/516225/department-head>

Bakery Science Class Tour

The Bakery Science 1 class recently toured Schwan's pizza facility in Salina, KS. Chris Wiseman, a BSM alum, conducted the tour and shared about the process to design and build their new pizza line. Class members were able to see pizzas being made on the line.



Milling Promotional Video

Milling Alumni: we would like to make a milling promotional video (or two) like the ones below:

- <https://youtu.be/a2nt9IOwqMY>
- https://youtu.be/UIq0zRvq_yQ

Please use landscape orientation when you record your video, and a purple Milling Science polo or Company logo shirt would be great.

Upload all videos here: **Milling Science Testimonial Videos**

Thanks for your support of this project.

Our Mission

The mission of the Department of Grain Science and Industry is to advance the global grain and plant-based food, feed, and bioproduct industries through scholarship, research, and outreach.

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