



2021 Advanced Sheep Production Course

This is a two-day course designed for the sheep producer with some experience. Course content will be more advanced than the beginner level of sheep production.

Date: November 19-20, 2021

Where: Holiday Inn Express & Suites East-University 1838 College Drive; Saskatoon; Bldg #2, Block of rooms has been reserved: Two queen bedrooms at \$129.00/night.

Cut-off date to book hotel room under this reservation: Monday October 25, 2021

Phone 306- 954-1250 to reserve a room. Group Code: Saskatchewan Sheep Development Board

Course attendance will be limited to 25 participants to allow for good interaction and a positive learning experience. An extra-large room has been reserved to allow for social distancing. Covid 19 precautions will be implemented and adhered to for the safety of those attending.

Registration is \$250 plus GST per person or \$450 plus GST for a couple.

Registration includes lunch and coffee breaks both days but does not include accommodation.

A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required to hold spot, you may register by phoning the Saskatchewan Sheep Development Board at (306) 933-5200 or email: sheepdb@sasktel.net

Day one:

1. Saskatchewan Sheep Development Board – Gord Schroeder 8:00-8:05
Opening comments
2. Nutrition Dr. Greg Penner (University of Saskatchewan) and Jenifer Heyden (SK. Ministry of Agriculture) 8:05-12:00
 - the role of energy/protein, minerals/vitamins and water
 - feeding prolific ewes
 - feeding ewes in an accelerated lambing system
 - feeding lambs at different stages, on mom, weaning, growing and finishing
 - feeding replacement ewe lambs and ram lambs
 - feed testing and understanding the report
 - Sheepbytes Nutrition Program
3. Management Systems - Ewe Planner Program - Brad Marceniuk (Economist Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture) 12:45-1:20
 - program introduction and demonstration



4. Management Systems - Owen Gentes (Producer/Shearwell Farmworks Trainer GenOvis participant) 1:20-2:00
 - electronic record keeping genetic evaluation systems for flock management and analysis
 - producer testimonial and demonstration
5. Dealing with Flock Realities - Dr Fritz Schumann (Western College of Veterinary Medicine) 2:30-4:30 This will be a lab session.
 - methods of proper euthanasia demonstration
 - necropsy demonstration and what to look for when diagnosing a problem
 - submitting samples to the lab and or using pictures to work with your vet
6. No scheduled presentations for the evening. Participants will have free time or for those who are interested a time of producer interaction and learning from each other.

Day Two:

7. Reproduction - Dr Colin Palmer (Western College of Veterinarian Medicine) 8:00-10:55
 - synchronization of ewe - in season/out of season options
 - accelerated lambing
 - inducing ewes
 - reducing embryonic and fetal losses
 - pregnancy scanning
8. Ram Breeding Soundness Examination - Dr Dinesh Dadarwal (Western College of Veterinarian Medicine) 11:00-12:00
 - how to complete a breeding soundness examination
 - ADF ram evaluation project objectives and update
9. Parasite Management - Dr Fabienne Uehlinger (Western College of Veterinarian Medicine) 12:45-2:00
 - worming strategies for various production models and pasture management/grazing
10. Flock Health - Dr. Chris Clark (University of Saskatchewan) 2:15-4:30
 - lambing time management, producing strong healthy and reducing lamb mortality
 - importance of a VCPR and flock health
 - flock biosecurity: best practices for prevention of disease introduction, spread with in the flock and preventing disease export (including abortion).