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Investigative Skills for Agronomists

The need for agronomists to be trained in investigative skills has never been greater.



The science of agrology is constantly changing and becoming more complex. Agrologists are finding that they are being asked to investigate agricultural practices and to make recommendations on the outcomes. In some cases, the recommendations and outcomes become legally relevant.

The Investigative Skills for Agronomists program is a 30-hour program designed to provide agrologists with the knowledge to carry out step by step agricultural investigations. Successful participants of this program will have a level of competency recognized by the agricultural industry, the

legal profession, producers, the general public, insurance companies, and provincial institutes of agrologists.

The Investigative Skills for Agronomists uses a blended learning approach offering a combination of independent study, face-to-face activities, and a field, diagnostic school.

The program is designed to dovetail with your normal spring, summer, and fall workload. Case studies and assignments are designed to give you practical on-the-job experience.

Discover how this program can prepare you for a unique and rewarding career.



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Introduction to Investigative Skills for Agronomists

This unit features an overview of Investigative Skills and the program modules.

Gathering the Information

This unit discusses the type of information that a successful investigation requires. It outlines the step-by-step process of investigation.

Effective Communication

In this unit you will learn techniques in questioning, interviewing and taking statements.

Analyzing the Information

This unit will cover the analysis of every aspect of an incident. Questions, evaluations and determinations are an integral part of the process.

The Findings

This unit is the culmination of your investigation. The information and its analysis provide you with the findings.

The Recommendation

This unit will describe report writing, making recommendations, legal considerations and the court process.

Course Seminar

This one-day seminar will give you an opportunity to review and understand the core requirements of the program. It will introduce the program facilitator who will be available by distance throughout the duration of the course.

Field School Component

Another important component of investigative skills for agronomists is the hands-on field experience.

Program Dates: April to November

Registration Deadline: April 15, 2010

One-day Seminar: April

Course Fee: \$685, includes program materials and introductory seminar. The mandatory summer field school cost is extra.

For more information on the Investigative Skills for Agronomists program go to:

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