SMEC 481: Swine Production Management

Course Description
SMEC 481: Learning Objectives

The learning objectives include topics across all swine production phases as well as business and financial management.

Topics include:

- Biosecurity training
- Farrowing management
- Neonatal piglet care
- Genetics
- Pig flow management
- Finishing contracts
- Grower responsibilities
- Employee management
- New agribusiness ventures
SMEC 481: Management and Consulting

- Opportunity to learn swine production management and consulting skills within a modern swine production and management system
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• Time is split approximately 50/50 with in-class discussion topics and on-farm learning opportunities

• Students will visit a breeding farm, nursery facility, finishing facility, wean-to-finish facility, and a truck wash facility
SMEC 481: Skills and Knowledge Gained

• Gain a thorough understanding of swine production management practices and extensive hands-on experience within a working production system
• Effectively execute disease investigations, design intervention strategies and create herd health programs
• Overall, this course better prepares new graduates to start their professional careers
SMEC 481: Housing

- Fully furnished apartments at no additional cost are provided
- Equipped with kitchenette, cable television, wireless internet, air conditioning, onsite washer and dryer
- Located in Audubon, IA