

SWINE PRODUCTION FOUNDATIONS PROGRAM



If you like working with animals, enjoy working with others, and are looking for a rewarding career that has a lot of upward mobility, consider taking training to become a swine production technician.

Starts on the **first of every month**

Online, self-directed learning while you work

IN THIS PROGRAM YOU WILL:

- » Gain an understanding of swine operations including regulations, health and safety, record keeping, and maintenance of barns and barn systems
- » Learn production practices related to stockmanship, pig health care, breeding, farrowing, nursery, and grow and finish
- » Build professionalism skills through communication and conflict resolution learning activities

Admission Requirements

- » Completed statement of interest
- » Interviews may be required to assess program eligibility

Admission Procedures

- » Complete an application to the program
- » Once accepted into the program, register for individual courses
- » Register before the 20th of the month prior

For more information, visit
assiniboine.net/swinepro



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This program has been developed in
collaboration with Manitoba Pork Council.

GET STARTED!

Available as a distance program, Swine Production Foundations gives you the flexibility you need to complete your education. Whether you're currently working in a barn and want to increase your knowledge or looking to move into the industry, you can take these courses in a way that suites you and your life.

To be considered, you must do the following:

1. SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

You will submit a statement of interest when you apply that tells us why you are interested in taking this program to meet a work or personal milestone. An interview may be conducted to find out more about your learning goals before you are accepted into the program.

2. CHOOSE YOUR COURSE(S)

You decide which course you would like to take, you can take one course only or take all three in any order. An instructor supports your learning and is available to guide you as you work through each self-directed courses.

SWIN-0065 - Swine Operation Foundation

*6 credits; 80 hours
Students have four months 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.

SWIN-0066 - Professionalism for Swine Tech

*6 credits; 80 hours
Students have four months 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.

SWIN-0067 - Swine Production Practices 1

*12 credits; 160 hours
Students have eight months 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.

3. COMPLETE YOUR DOCUMENT OF ACHIEVEMENT

If you successfully take all three courses within five years, you will graduate with a document of achievement and will be well on your way to establishing your career in Swine Production.