

Welcome to the Industrial Hemp Training Program for Agricultural Technical Service Providers!



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Expectations and Requirements of Participants:

Enrolled Agricultural Technical Service Providers (ASPs/TSPs) must commit to attend seven webinar trainings live, complete each attended webinar's accompanying mini quiz, complete the Pre-Training and Post-Training surveys, and attend one in-field intensive event to receive a Certificate of Completion.

Before November 3rd, participants MUST complete the Pre-Training Survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/IndustrialHempTrainingProgram>

Webinar Trainings—13 Certified Crop Advisor ([CCA](#)) credits available (1 per webinar)

Each webinar will host a farmer, researcher, or other expert practitioner. Webinars will discuss common obstacles to growing a successful hemp crop, address these issues through field proven technical knowledge, and follow a training plan that will best enable the TSP to support the farmers. Live on Tuesdays, 12pm-1pm. All webinars will be recorded then archived on the training webpage. More information on the training site is provided on page 4 of this document.

- **Participants will access the webinars live by clicking the following link:**
<http://go.uvm.edu/industrial-hemp-webinar>

Training Program participants are required to attend a minimum of seven webinars live.

In-Field Intensive Training – CCA credits will be available

A series of in-field intensive trainings will be offered to participants during Summer/Fall 2021. Participating TSPs are required to attend AT LEAST ONE. The in-field intensives will be held in various Northeastern states. They will be hosted by collaborating farms and/or processing facilities that have incorporated hemp into their crop/production systems. These hands-on workshops will foster a stronger working knowledge of growing hemp in the Northeast.

UVM Industrial Hemp Conference— CCA credits will be available

Participating TSPs will be encouraged to attend both the 2021 and 2022 Conferences. The 2021 event will be virtual, given the state of COVID-19. While this component is not required, it is highly encouraged.

Webinar Schedule:

The winter webinars will be weekly on the following Tuesdays from noon to 1pm, and run from November 3rd, 2020 to February 16th, 2021:

| Dates: | Webinar Topic (first webinar is mandatory): |
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| 11/3/20 | Program Introduction; Business Planning and Economics |
| Dates: | Webinar Topics (choose at least 2 of the 5): |
| 11/10/20 | General Hemp Agronomics |
| 11/17/20 | Integrated Pest Management |
| 12/1/20 | All Things Organic |
| 12/8/20 | Hemp Propagation and Seedling Production |
| 12/15/20 | Modern Hemp Policy |
| Dates: | Webinar Topics (choose at least 3 of the 6): |
| 1/5/21 | Resinous Hemp Production |
| 1/12/21 | Grain Hemp Production |
| 1/19/21 | Fiber Hemp Production |
| 1/26/21 | Processing Resinous Hemp |
| 2/2/21 | Processing Hemp for Grain |
| 2/9/21 | Processing Hemp for Fiber |
| Dates: | Webinar Topic (final webinar is mandatory): |
| 2/16/21 | Hemp Panel; Program Wrap Up |

Note: The order of webinar topics is tentative and subject to change.

Training Website Through Extension's Online Campus:

This is where you will go to find everything you need for the training program. Each topic is listed chronologically and has a separate module within the online course. The modules list the webinar topic, speaker(s), subtopics, bonus resources, Q&A forum, and quiz to complete after participating in the webinar. After each live webinar is finished, it will be archived and made available on this site within 48 hours to be viewed at any time.

- **Accessing the Site** – The site (and archived webinars) will be housed at eXtension's online campus at: <http://campus.extension.org>. If you have not yet been to this site, you will need to create an account. To do so, on the left bar under "Login," click on "Create new account." You will need to complete some basic information and confirm your account via email. Once you have created an account, you may access the Industrial Hemp Training Program's site at any time by going to <https://campus.extension.org/course/view.php?id=1849>. Or, type in "Industrial Hemp" in the Search Courses box to find it easily! *We recommend saving this link by adding it to 'Bookmarks' in your browser.*
- **Webinar Quiz** – This portion is **REQUIRED**. The webinar mini quizzes will be used to record attendance and participation. Participants must log into the site after watching each webinar to complete a short 3 to 5 question quiz. *This is especially important if you are looking to receive CCA credits.* Please have your CCA credit # ready before beginning the quizzes.
- **Participant Q&A Forum** – Participants are encouraged to reach out with any follow-up questions. Each module has a Q&A set up at the bottom of the block. Participants may answer or provide feedback on one another's forum posts. If a question is posed, the advisory board will discuss and answer the question.

We look forward to receiving everyone's survey responses before November 3rd!

Kind regards,

Industrial Hemp Training Program Team



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