USDETC
The Place for Large Dairy Herd Management Training

- Held in the middle of the 3rd largest U.S. milk shed.
- Providing opportunity to learn how large herds are managed from nationally recognized academics and agri-business experts.
- Small class sizes with daily access to cows and dairies, a true hands-on experience.
- Students can receive credit from their home universities for attending USDETC

For ALL individuals curious about the opportunities and careers in the dairy industry!

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About Us

The USDETC large herd management program offers strong research based dairy education in welcoming, friendly environment. The six- week summer program has two tracts (Introductory and advanced) divided into weekly modules that cover important aspects of a dairy operation and the dairy industry. Nationally recognized faculty as well as agribusiness experts collaborate to provide students with a unique educational experience and employment exploration.

How to Apply

Application & deadlines are available at: http://usdetc.tamu.edu

Application

An essay
Expressing interest, what you expect to gain from USDETC, experience and background in the dairy/agriculture, and what your career goals are.

A letter of recommendation
Dairy producer, professor, or agribusiness individual.

Tuition & Fees

Students enrolled or recently graduated from U.S. or Canadian universities are eligible for a SCHOLARSHIP!

Travel to and from, some evening and weekend meals, plus incidental i.e. laundry) are not covered.

A $100 non-refundable acceptance fee is required upon accepting offer to participate.

Purpose of This Program

The USDETC is organized to provide leadership, support, and resources for the development and facilitation of practical, hands-on large dairy herd education and training. The program is meant to be a learning experience for all students interested in dairy herd management.

Locations & Experiences

Classroom instruction takes place at the Curry County Fairgrounds in Clovis, NM. Student housing is provided at the King’s Inn in Clovis, NM. Within a 50 mile radius of Clovis there are close to 50 herds averaging >3,000 cows/dairy. Herds represent a wide variety of housing, parlor systems, and management strategies giving students an extensive exposure to the dairy industry as a whole. Representatives from allied industries routinely meet with students to discuss career opportunities and their organizations. Network with major employers in the dairy industry and learn about potential internships. Develop lifelong friendships and potentially future co-workers and collaborators!