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Cal Poly Hosts Sold-Out Annual Cheese Short Course

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA - Cal Poly’s Dairy Products Technology Center (DPTC) played host to a sold-out Cheese Short Course last month, educating industry members from throughout the United States on the basic scientific information and practical skills needed to understand and manufacture cheese. The annual cheese short course, in it’s 24\textsuperscript{th} year, continues to be one of the center’s most popular courses. Typically cheese plant supervisors and operators attend, but increasingly plant maintenance personnel, business unit managers, quality control managers and others who seek better understanding of the cheese making process are enrolling in this course.

Participants enjoyed classroom lectures and a day of hands-on cheese-making experience in the university’s renowned dairy processing plant and research area.

“Our entire team at the DPTC really enjoys working with our attendees at these programs,” said Phil Tong, DPTC Director and organizer of Cal Poly’s Outreach Program. “It is extremely rewarding for us to know that the class attendees will use the information from this course when they go back to their respective companies to advance the cheese industry.”

In addition to the Cheese Short Course, Cal Poly also offers the annual Dairy Science and Technology Basics for the Farmstead/Artisan Cheesemaker Short Course held each fall. These cheese courses and other outreach activities of the Cal Poly Dairy Products Technology Center are made possible in part through the financial support provided by California Dairy Research Foundation and the Dairy Research Institute. For more information on future outreach programs, please visit our website at: www.dptc.calpoly.edu

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