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PRACTICAL FARMERS OF IOWA 2016 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

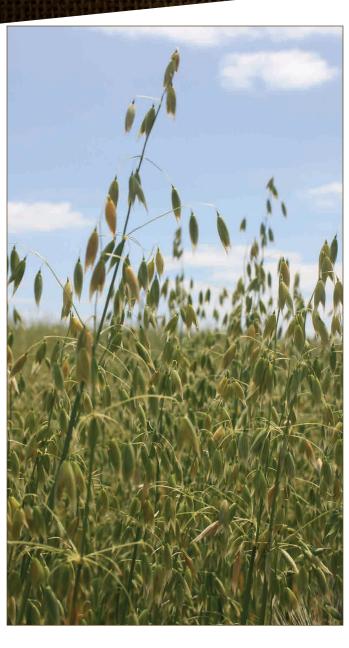
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SMALL GRAINS SHORT COURSE

THURSDAY, JAN. 21: 1-7 PM FRIDAY, JAN. 22: 8-11:30 AM

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GROWING GOOD SMALL GRAINS

Growing small grains allows farmers to reduce fertilizer and pesticide inputs; plant cover crops earlier to fix nitrogen, build soil organic matter and offer forage for livestock; and to spread the farm workload and cash flow more evenly throughout the year. This short course will take an in-depth look at how to grow good small grains. Attendees will learn:

- The state of small grains and oat production in Iowa from **David Weisberger**, agronomy graduate student at Iowa State University (ISU)
- Oat physiology and market opportunities from **Bruce Roskens,** director of crop sciences at Grain Millers, Inc. and growers' experiences with oats in Minnesota and Iowa from a representative of **Albert** Lea Seed House
- Basics of spring wheat and barley production in North Dakota from **Joel Ransom**, professor of agronomy at North Dakota State University
- · Details about small grains in an Iowa cropping system from **Matt Liebman**, professor of agronomy at ISU
- Which oat and wheat varieties are adapted for the southern Midwest from Fred Kolb, professor of crop services at University of Illinois

Farmers **Darren Fehr**, from Mallard, and **Bill and AI Frederick,** from Jefferson, will talk about their practical experience raising oats, wheat and cereal rye in Iowa.



