

# Johnson County Education & Research Triangle Authority

October 2015 Report

**Kansas State University**  
**Olathe Innovation Campus**

## **MISSION**

*To be the model and leader of adaptable, interdisciplinary and innovative education, research and public/private engagement in the Kansas City area, bridging the University with global and local community, government and industry partners.*

### **New Hires at K-State Olathe**

Ralph Richardson, Interim Dean & CEO of the K-State Olathe campus (started Aug 2, 2015)

Kim Ramacciotti, Director of Student Services (started Aug 17, 2015)

Christine Splichal, Director of Communications & Marketing (started Sept 14, 2015)

Dee Dee Cassone, Associate Professor, Industrial & Manufacturing Systems Engineering (started Oct 5, 2015)

### **Safety & Security Highlights**

- K-State Olathe has published the Annual Campus Security Report for 2015. We are proud to announce that our campus is very safe. We have had zero crimes on campus since opening in 2011. The report is online at [http://olathe.k-state.edu/about/safety/2015CleryReport\\_OlatheFINAL\\_10715.pdf](http://olathe.k-state.edu/about/safety/2015CleryReport_OlatheFINAL_10715.pdf).
- K-State Olathe faculty, staff, and students participated in ALiCE training on October 12, 2015. ALiCE stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate, which are all strategies to employ if there is an active shooter on campus. We will continue to train throughout the year and refine our emergency response plans.

### **Education and Professional Development Program Highlights**

- **K-State Olathe professional development programs (non-credit)**
  - In partnership with K-State's College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Missouri, and Blue Pearl, K-State Olathe hosted a continuing education opportunity on October 1, 2015 for veterinarians interested in learning more about oncology. Topics included: diagnostics, osteosarcoma, lymphoma, clinical trials. Thanks to generous sponsorship from Elias Animal Health, participants were able to attend for free.
  - K-State Olathe's Design Thinker in Residence facilitated a half-day design thinking workshop on July 7, 2015 for the George Butler Associates leadership team, focused on improving the in-house design process to allow for better communication among stakeholders.
  - In partnership with K-State Research & Extension, K-State Olathe provided a food safety display for Safety Days at Deanna Rose Children's Farm in Overland Park, KS.
  - K-State Olathe's One Health<sup>3</sup> Project Director hosted a systems thinking workshop on October 2, 2015. During the workshop, participants experienced a business simulation that was developed by MIT and explored ideas for applying systems thinking to address One Health challenges. The next workshop will be held on November 12, 2015. It's open invitation to attend. For more information, contact Suzanne Parsel at [sparsel@ksu.edu](mailto:sparsel@ksu.edu), 913-307-7380.
  - K-State Olathe's K-12 Program Coordinator hosted a group of students and teachers from PREP-KC on October 17, 2015. The group experienced a food safety lab and toured the research facilities at K-State Olathe.

- o In partnership with the K-State Global Food Systems Initiative and Cultivate Kansas City, faculty at K-State Olathe will host the first Urban Food System Symposium on June 22-25. National and international academic and research-oriented professionals will gather to share and gain knowledge about urban agricultural production, local food systems distribution, urban farmer education, urban agriculture policy, planning and development, food access and justice, and food sovereignty. More information: <http://www.urbanfoodsystemssymposium.org/>

• **K-State Olathe academic programs (credit bearing)**

- o K-State’s Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering is bridging two master’s degree programs to the K-State Olathe campus: M.S. in Operations Research and M.S. in Industrial Engineering. Students will have the opportunity to take courses online and on the K-State Olathe campus, starting in January 2016.
- o We continue to recruit students to study at K-State Olathe, and these efforts will be enhanced now that our new Director of Student Services is on-board. The charts below reflect the headcounts and enrollments to-date.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS	UNDUPLICATED HEADCOUNT	CREDIT HOURS
<b>AY 2010-2011</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>
Summer 2011	5	10
<b>AY 2011-2012</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>63</b>
Summer 2012	25	63
<b>AY 2012-2013</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>334</b>
Fall 2012	23	114
Spring 2013	30	144
Summer 2013	23	76
<b>AY 2013-2014</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>642</b>
Fall 2013	49	315
Spring 2014	55	251
Summer 2014	27	76
<b>AY 2014-2015</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>768</b>
Fall 2014	84	397
Spring 2015	58	250
Summer 2015	41	121
<b>AY 2015-2016</b>	<b>82*</b>	<b>351*</b>
Fall 2015	82	351

\* Cumulative counts will be finalized at year-end to include spring and summer 2016 enrollments.

**Education and Professional Development Program Highlights, continued**

PROGRAM COUNTS	AY 2010-2011 (after drops)	AY 2011-2012 (after drops)	AY 2012-2013 (after drops)	AY 2013-2014 (after drops)	AY 2014-2015 (after drops)	AY 2015-2016* (after drops)
<b>Curriculum &amp; Instruction (Summer Teacher Workshop)</b>						
Launched in Summer 2011	5 students 10 credits	6 students 6 credits	4 students 4 credits	2 students 2 credits		
<b>Adult &amp; Continuing Education</b>						
Launched in Summer 2012			19 students 57 credits	50 students 422 credits	78 students 423 credits	36 students 144 credits
<b>Agribusiness - Emphasis in Animal Health</b>						
Launched in Fall 2013				11 students 132 credits	16 students 104 credits	10 students 63 credits
<b>Food Science</b>						
Launched in Fall 2013				2 students 5 credits	2 students 15 credits	3 students 5 credits
<b>Horticulture - Emphasis in Urban Food Systems</b>						
Launched in Fall 2013				3 students 27 credits	5 students 55 credits	6 students 19 credits
<b>Veterinary Biomedical Sciences</b>						
Launched in Fall 2013				8 students 41 credits	23 students 136 credits	25 students 112 credits
<b>Biological &amp; Agricultural Engineering</b>						
Launched in Spring 2014				2 students 13 credits	2 students 35 credits	2 students 8 credits

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**Research Highlights**

- K-State faculty continue to attract competitive funding to support education, research, and outreach in the KC area. Select examples provided below:
  - An interdisciplinary team was just awarded a \$195,968 NCR-SARE Research Grant to strengthen organic sweet potato propagation systems (Lead: Jason Griffin. Collaborators: Cary Rivard, Eleni Pliakoni, Mykel Taylor).
  - The Center of Excellence for Food Safety Research in Child Nutrition Programs engaged experts at K-State Olathe to conduct a large cooling study (Lead in Olathe: Sara Gragg. Collaborators: Bryan Severns, Lindsay Beardall).

**Engagement, Economic Development, and Other Highlights:**

- K-State has hosted a variety of professional development workshops, planning meetings, and events since our last report. Partners include Merck Animal Health, John Deere, U.S. Food & Drug Administration, Olathe Chamber of Commerce, SmartVet USA, ExxonMobil, Kiewit, Kansas Department of Commerce, IsoNova, Ceva Animal Health, Dynogenx. The table below provides the event counts for July – Sept 2015.

EVENTS AT K-STATE OLATHE	NUMBER OF EVENTS	NUMBER OF ATTENDEES
July 2015	27	1,468
August 2015	37	812
September 2015	51	1,332

- The Incubator Kitchen at K-State Olathe has been busy this fall. The following companies have utilized our incubator facilities and consulting services in the last month:
  - Joe’s KC BBQ
  - Small Barn Farm (honey)
  - Four Paws Solutions (pet treats)
  - IsoNova Tech (pet food ingredients)
  - Ansera Analytics (tomatoes)
- K-State Olathe invites the Greater Kansas City community to join us on April 16, 2016 for K-State Open House. It will be a great opportunity for everyone to network and learn about K-State and the Olathe campus.