



OPPORTUNITIES IN THE HEMP ECOSYSTEM

AN ONLINE COURSE

FEATURING LOCAL & NATIONAL EXPERTS!

This online course will be presented by NNMC Continuing Ed from February 16 - March 18, 2023. Classes are Thursday evenings with a Saturday workshop. Panelists will discuss different aspects of the hemp industry, and there will be time for questions and discussion. Classes will also be recorded.

Hemp is a renewable, carbon-sequestering material that can bring significant economic benefits to growers, processors, manufacturers, builders, fiber artists, food producers, and others. Come join us to learn more.

THURSDAY classes are 6 - 8pm MT:

February 16 • The Hemp Industry: An Introduction

- National expert and NM native Doug Fine and local hemp activist Gloria Castillo will give a historical perspective on hemp at the national level and in NM.
- Neighbors Corbett Hefner and Melissa Peterson will talk about growing industrial hemp in the San Luis Valley and their new hemp processing facility

February 23 • Hemp in Agriculture, Communities & Buildings

- Arnie Valdez of the Rezolana Institute will speak about his decades of experience in small scale growing and processing of industrial hemp
- Jonsara Ruth, Co-Founder and Design Director of the Healthy Materials Lab at the Parson's School of Design will present some of HML's community projects and their hemp research in the US and Europe

March 2 • Examples of Hemp Building in the US

- Several building professionals will showcase their projects and research on hemp buildings:
 - Matt Marino, Homeland Hempcrete, will discuss prefabricated panels for residential walls
 - Alex Sexsmith, Sexsmith Architects AIA in Santa Fe and Board Member, US Hemp Building Association, will present examples and strategies for building with hemp
 - Robin Elkin, contractor, Refuge Industrial Hemp Building in Albuquerque, will discuss ways in which construction practices can be adapted to work with hemp

March 9 • Growing Hemp in New Mexico

- Orin Ortizoza, NM Economic Development on state resources available for hemp businesses; and Brad Lewis, Division Director for Agricultural & Environmental Services, NMDA on NM regulations
- Djann Hoffmann, Farside Farm, will talk about their adventures in organic production
- Seed to Sale Panel: MJ Balizan & Aaron Diaz from Campo de Oro /Leaf & Tackle, and Mona Vigil, Marcos Vijil, & Teresa Juarez from Chimayo Hemp Enterprises on the hemp industry and their experiences

March 16 • Facets of the Hemp Industry

- Melissa Baldwin from South Bend Industrial Hemp, an Agronomist, will talk about Agronomy and their expansion into growing and processing hemp
- Lisa Faithorn, President of A2Z Hemp Cooperative in NM will discuss the benefits of a cooperative
- Chris Boucher from Farmtiva will present business and marketing principles and resources for hemp

SATURDAY • March 18 9am-12noon • Workshop

- Participants will use hempcrete "kits" from Homeland Hempcrete to make small products from hempcrete (virtually, in groups)
- Facilitated discussion session on "Next Steps" for hemp in New Mexico to follow.

COST \$250 PER PERSON
INCLUDES WORKSHOP MATERIALS

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