



# Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. What are the course details?

The 2022-23 version of the course is comprised of eleven on-line modules (each module comprises eight 1.75-hour sessions), one in-person module and a 2-day farm tour at a cost \$2,240.

An optional second farm tour is also offered at \$450 per attendee pending at least 25 registrants.

Producers wanting to enroll in the full course must submit the course application along with a \$500 deposit.

The current version of the course runs from September 2022 through March 2023, breaking for the summer months and commencing in late August 2023 through December 2023.

### 2. Are there payment options to accommodate those on a budget?

Two payment options are offered. Option 1: course deposit (\$500) with application plus 3 payments two, four and eleven months after your entry into the course. Option 2: Course participants now have the option of pay-as-you-go which means you will be required to register through the THINKIFIC platform for each module. The course deposit will be credited toward the first two modules. An email reminder of due payments will be sent two weeks prior to the start of the next module.

### 3. The application states a minimum of three years' sheep experience. Will other livestock experience be considered in lieu of for those with less than three years' experience?

Applicants who do not have a minimum of three years sheep experience but have other relevant livestock experience can still apply. Provide details of that experience in Section B of the application form.

### 4. When and where is the in-person module?

Module 4 Business Planning will be held Wednesday, December 7 & Thursday, December 8, 2022 in Lindsay Ontario.

### 5. I am interested in registering for single modules, not the entire course. Do I need to submit a course application?

The course allows a limited number of single registrations for each module. These registrations are completed through the [THINKIFIC](#) platform, provided the maximum class capacity has not been reached. Registration is \$245 per module. The full course application form does not need to be completed to register for single modules.

### 6. What is the maximum number of registrants accepted into the course?

The course will be capped at 35 new full-time registrants and ten (10) single registrations per module.



# Master Shepherd's Course

7. I've only just heard about the Master Shepherd's Course. Can I apply after the course start date?

Applications will be accepted throughout the course provided the maximum capacity has not been reached. New enrollees will start with the next scheduled module and complete the course when it is offered next.

8. How do the on-line sessions work?

Each on-line module is comprised of eight 1.75-hour sessions held each Tuesday and Thursday evening with a 7:30 pm EST start time. These sessions will be held over ZOOM.

9. Is there a study guide?

Hard copy materials will not be provided. All resources, including copies of speaker presentations will be available through the THINKIFIC platform. They will be organized by module titles for ease of review. Recordings of module presentations will be posted as well.

10. Will additional assignments be required?

Some modules do have assignments. It is expected that full-time enrollees complete these to receive course certificates.