

WHY MANAGED GRAZING?

Managed Grazing is a sustainable farming method in which the majority of farm acres are planted to perennial pasture and livestock are rotated through paddocks of high quality grasses and legumes that are allowed to rest and regrow.

Modern managed-grazing systems

- ◆ **Reduce Costs for Start-Up Farms**
- ◆ **Utilize Advanced Technology and Custom Herd Genetics**
- ◆ **Build Plant, Soil, and Water Resources**
- ◆ **Improve Animal Health and Longevity**
- ◆ **Maximize Long-Term Productive Capacity**
- ◆ **Produce High Quality Milk for Organic, Value Added, and Conventional Markets**
- ◆ **Improve Farm Profitability**



Dairy Grazing Apprenticeship is a 501c3 non-profit organization and its training program is a National Apprenticeship registered with the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration.

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A New Career Pathway for Aspiring Dairy Farmers



DAIRY GRAZING APPRENTICESHIP (DGA)

is the first formal Apprenticeship for farming in the nation. DGA links current and aspiring dairy farmers and provides a structure of support for the transfer of knowledge, skills, and farms from one generation to the next.

There is no way I could have started a dairy farm without this program—DGA is giving me the knowledge, experience, and connections I need to turn a dream into reality.

- Brian Klinge, Apprentice



Brian and Katie Klinge are moving onto their own farm with their young family in central Wisconsin.

From the day we started working on a three year plan to transfer the farm, I told my Apprentice, Brandon, “You’re not just my hired man; you’re my partner.”

- Glenn Harder, Master Dairy Grazier

The classes and pasture walks really helped to build a supportive network of Apprentices. We’re still friends as we move on to the next stages of our careers.

- Gabby Rojas, Journey Dairy Grazier

I appreciate the structure of Apprenticeship for developing my best employees—I want to grow the organic and grass-based dairy industry and improve my business at the same time.

- Dan Olson, Master Dairy Grazier

DGA Can Help You Reach Your Farming Goals

- ◆ **FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OVER TWO YEARS**
- ◆ **OPPORTUNITIES TO ADVANCE INTO MANAGEMENT AND OWNERSHIP**
- ◆ **RELATED ONLINE CLASSES**
- ◆ **NETWORKING AND PEER-TO-PEER LEARNING**
- ◆ **FINANCIAL PLANNING SERVICES**
- ◆ **PROVEN MODELS FOR EQUITY EARNING, FARM START-UP AND FARM TRANSFER**
- ◆ **VETERANS BENEFITS ACCEPTED**
- ◆ **ACCESS TO INVESTOR CAPITAL**

Now accepting applications for Apprentices and Masters in multiple states

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