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1. Soybean cyst nematode
2. The changing rural economy: What will be its impacts?
3. Diagnostic procedures for nutrient management, and
4. Farmland drainage

Each 2-hour session will have three or four speakers addressing topics related to the main category. You have the opportunity to attend two of the four sessions.

On November 23, concurrent sessions will cover topics such as weed resistance to herbicides, soil fertility management, soybean diseases, tillage systems, transgenic development in corn rootworm control, and economic assessment of Bt corn, to name a few. Each of the sessions will be repeated at least two times.

This short course offers CEU for certified crop advisers in the following categories: 6.5 in crop management, 2.0 in pest management, 2.0 in nutrient management, and 2.0 in soil and water management. A maximum of 10.5 CEU can be earned during the 2-day short course at the national level (multistate).

The registration fee for attending the 2-day course is $120 if received before November 16 and $140 after November 16. One-day fees are $80 for November 22 and $70 for November 23. A brochure listing topics, speakers, and registration information will be released soon. To receive a copy of the brochure, contact Tracey Benson, Extension Professional Programs, at 612-624-3708 or 1-800-367-5363. Information on the program content can be obtained by contacting me at 612-625-2778 or Ken Ostlie at 612-624-9272. To view the course agenda, visit the University of Minnesota Agronomy & Plant Genetics Web site [1].

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