

Egg Industry **Economic Research Chair**

Egg Farmers of Canada supports research on current and future issues for the egg industry. We strive to promote growth and innovation in the industry through the latest scientific research.

International trade agreements, the American agricultural industry and growing consumer demand for specialty eggs all affect the Canadian egg industry and Canadian egg farmers in new and complex ways. In order to stay abreast of this changing national and international economic landscape and promote proactive development for our industry, Egg Farmers of Canada has invested in the creation of an Egg Industry Economic Research Chair at Université Laval, starting in 2010.

Dr. Maurice Doyon



Dr. Doyon has a Masters in Rural Economics and a Doctorate in Applied Economics from Cornell University. He is a member of the Centre de Recherche en économie de l'Environement, de l'Agroalimentaire, des Transports et de l'Énergie at Université Laval, and a Fellow at the Center for

Interuniversity Research and Analysis of Organizations in Montreal. He has collaborated with the Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique in France, where he spent a year as a visiting scholar. He is frequently invited by federal and provincial departments and the private sector to speak as an expert on agriculture economics and supply management.

Research projects

Dr. Doyon and his team are developing a variety of projects on the economics of egg production that promote growth and innovation in the sector. Their projects include the development of a quota trading system between farmers, an examination of the implications of international trade on the system of supply management, an evaluation of consumers' willingness to pay for specialty eggs and the development of a model of egg producers' behaviour in situations of economic risk.

Research partners

The research chair funding supports the hiring of a faculty member at the Assistant Professor level with complementary expertise to work with the chairholder. Dr. Doyon is working with Dr. Lota D. Tamini, who has a Masters in Rural Economics and a Doctorate in Economics from Université Laval. Dr. Tamini's research focuses on behaviour economics, international agricultural trade, and natural resource and environmental economics. Dr. Doyon is also working with a network of researchers in the field, as well as with top graduate and undergraduate students, fostering the next generation of industry leaders and experts.

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