

Higher Education Programs



The Higher Education Programs (HEP) unit awards grants that promote excellence in secondary, post secondary, and graduate education in the food and agricultural sciences and related disciplines. Several initiatives also enhance the quality of teaching, curricula, and education experiences to develop scientific and professional expertise among faculty and students. HEP promotes science and agricultural literacy and agricultural-related career interest among K-12 students through the Agriculture in the Classroom program and works with the Food and Agricultural Education Information System to report on enrollment, degrees, and placement of graduates.



Multicultural Alliances

This unit manages grants to support food and agricultural sciences at qualified minority-serving and other eligible institutions. Grant activities support education, research, and extension at 1890 (historically black) and 1994 (tribal) land-grant colleges and universities; education at Hispanic-serving, Alaska Native-serving and Native Hawaiian-serving institutions; extension and outreach on tribal lands; and facilities development at 1890 and 1994 institutions. Successes in these efforts bring a diversity of views and capacities to help solve problems important to stakeholders and the communities served.



International Programs

The International Programs (IP) unit provides national program leadership for international development and technical assistance activities in partnership with U.S. colleges and universities. In an era of increasing globalization, these collaborations play an important role by bringing an international dimension back into our nation's classrooms, research facilities, and communities. Through the International Science and Education (ISE) competitive grants program and coordination of projects overseas, IP and its university partners are helping provide Americans with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in today's global economy.

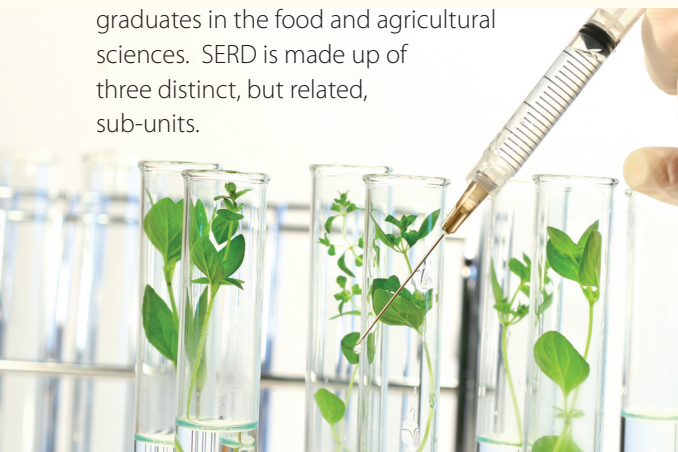


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CSREES' Science and Education Resources Development (SERD) unit manages a broad portfolio of formula and competitively-awarded grant programs in the food and agricultural sciences that enhance teaching, curriculum, and human capital development from kindergarten to post graduate degrees; direct academic, extension, and research programs, with a focus on minority-serving institutions; and coordinate overseas development projects and programs, in collaboration with U.S. colleges and universities, to bring an understanding of international issues to the nation's campuses and communities. SERD also is active with professional societies to project employment opportunities for graduates in the food and agricultural sciences. SERD is made up of three distinct, but related, sub-units.



SERD related links

For more information on SERD and SERD programs, visit:

www.csrees.usda.gov/about/offices/serd

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www.csrees.usda.gov/about/offices/serd_funding.html

Food and Agricultural Education Information System (FAEIS)


<http://faeis.usda.gov>

Agriculture in the Classroom (AITC)

www.agclassroom.org

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