



Regional Center of Excellence Viticulture and Enology Science and Technology Alliance

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VESTA Awarded \$2.9 Million from NSF

Southwest Missouri Congressman Roy Blunt announced \$2.927 million in National Science Foundation funding for Missouri State University's Viticulture and Enology Science & Technology Alliance (VESTA). The grant to Missouri State will be used to provide education to community colleges in 12 states through online training courses about the grape and wine industry. Click <http://www.blunt.house.gov/Read.aspx?ID=897> for more details.

Dr. Stan Howell Receives ASEV Merit Award

VESTA Co-PI and renowned viticulturalist and , Dr. G. Stanley Howell will receive the American Society for Enology and Viticulture's most prestigious award, the ASEV Merit Award, on June 20 at the Annual Meeting in Reno, Nevada.

Howell's research shaped the winemaking and grape growing techniques used in Michigan that have become elemental industry wide. The impact of his research efforts can be seen in the dramatic shift in the types of grapes used in Michigan four decades ago compared to today. Howell's work opened the door to a new understanding of climate, grape growing and maximizing the production of high-quality grapes.

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VESTA Wants You

VESTA seeks the involvement of the grape and wine industry as field practicum sites, internship sites, mentors, and future employers. Click the link below to see how your vineyard or winery can be included as an approved field site. Click http://www.vesta-usa.org/industry_support.htm for more information.

VESTA Spring 2008 Classes Ready for Enrollment



Now is the time to take advantage of a program that harnesses the full power of the Internet and distance education technologies to bring master instructors and industry experts to you, anytime and anywhere. VESTA will help you bring your grape and wine production to new heights. Classes are now enrolling for the Spring 2008 semester. Select your course or courses from our extensive listing, complete your admission/registration form and fax or mail to the VESTA office.

Click <http://www.vesta-usa.org> for more information.

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Meet the VESTA Management Team

The VESTA Regional Center of Excellence is supervised by a team of highly qualified individuals. Dr. Dale Law, Missouri State University, serves as the Principal Investigator and Executive Director of the Regional Center of Excellence. Co-Principal Investigators are:
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