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Viticulture and Enology Science and Technology Alliance

Grape and Wine Education for the 21st Century

THE GRAPEVINE

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## Winter and Spring Course Enrollment Dates

October 2011

Don't miss the perfect chance to broaden your understanding of grape growing and wine making. Online classes are forming and now is the time to join this one of a kind grape and wine education program.

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

### ENROLLMENT DEADLINES

Winter 2012 VESTA Courses— December 9, 2011

Spring 2012 General Education Courses— December 9, 2011

Spring 2012 VESTA Courses— January 13, 2012



## Grant Establishes the VESTA National Center of Excellence

The [Viticulture and Enology Science and Technology Alliance](#) (VESTA), housed in the [William H. Darr School of Agriculture](#) at [Missouri State University](#), received a four-year, \$4.99 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to establish VESTA as a National Center of Excellence. As a national center, VESTA will assist the economic development and sustainability of the rapidly expanding U.S. grape and wine production industry.

Please click [here](#) for the full article.

## Welcome New VESTA Instructor

VESTA is pleased to welcome Paul Gospodarczyk as the new Introduction to Wine Microorganisms course instructor.



## Upcoming Conferences

### ATE National Principal Investigators Conference

Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC  
October 26-28, 2011

If you plan to attend, please stop by and visit the VESTA booth!



## New Job Vacancy Postings

Surry Community College and Kent State -Ashtabula are seeking VESTA State Coordinators. For more information, please visit: <http://www.vesta-usa.org/main/index.php/resources/job-vacancies>

## Upcoming VESTA Workshops

### Wine and Must Analysis Workshop

October 22-23, 2011 at Kent State University-Ashtabula  
Please click [here](#) for more information.

### Winery Sanitation Workshop

December 3-4 Highland Community College in Wamego, KS  
Please click [here](#) for more information.

### Introduction to Wine Microorganisms Workshop

December 10-11, 2011 at Elmaro Vineyard, Trempealeau, WI  
Please click [here](#) for more information.

## Welcome to the Newest VESTA Alliance Members

The VESTA National Center is proud to announce Sonoma State University - Rohnert Park, CA, Surry Community College— Dobson, NC, Umpqua Community College— Roseburg, OR, Yakima Valley Community College—Yakima, WA, and Niagara County Community College— Sanborn, NY as the newest members of the VESTA National Center Alliance.