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Grape and Wine Education for the 21st Century

THE GRAPEVINE

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Winter/Spring Course Enrollment Dates

December 2013

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

The Spring Schedule has now been posted.

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

ENROLLMENT DEADLINES

VIN 113-Winter Viticulture Technology– December 13, 2013

Spring Viticulture and Enology Courses– January 17, 2014



USDA Grant Opportunity

The USDA is currently accepting applications for Value-Added Producer Grants (VAPG). The purpose of the VAPG program is to help US agricultural producers enter into value-added activities.

Please click [here](#) for more information and the application.



Wine Business and Entrepreneurship Track

VESTA now offers Associates Degrees and Technical Certificates in Wine Business and Entrepreneurship in addition to Viticulture and Enology. This track covers such topics as business feasibility, marketing, winery construction, business plans and more.

If you have ever thought of starting your own vineyard or opening a winery, enroll in **VIN 130-Wine Business Feasibility** and **VIN 132-Finance & Accounting for Wine**

Business for the spring semester today!

For more information, please contact Emily Gray at emilygray@missouristate.edu or 417-837-2513.

National Conference VESTA Workshops

In 2014 VESTA is teaming up with the Midwest Grape and Wine Conference and Wineries

Unlimited to offer two Sensory Evaluation Workshops preceding the conferences.

Midwest Grape and Wine Conference VESTA Sensory Evaluation Workshop

February 4-5, 2014
St. Charles, MO

Wineries Unlimited VESTA Sensory Evaluation Workshop

March 11-12, 2014
Richmond, VA

If you plan to attend one or both conferences, we hope you will join us! For more information, please contact Emily Gray at emilygray@missouristate.edu or 417-837-2513.