



United States National Institute
Department of of Food and
Agriculture Agriculture

Agriculture and Food Research Initiative

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Seven Request for Applications (RFAs)

http://nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/afri_rfa.html

- 1) Foundational Program
- 2) Childhood Obesity Prevention
- 3) Climate Change
- 4) Global Food Security
- 5) Food Safety
- 6) Sustainable Bioenergy
- 7) NIFA Fellowship Program (anticipated soon)

Additional Resources for Applicants

Webinars: http://nifa.usda.gov/funding/afri/afri_webinars.html

More AFRI information Page: <http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/afri/afri.html>

Note: These resources are not meant to replace reading the RFAs carefully.

Project Types

- **Single-Function Projects***
 - **Research Projects** mean scientific investigations or inquiries that result in the generation of knowledge.
 - **Education Projects** include formal class room instruction, laboratory instruction, and practicum experience in the food and agricultural sciences and other related matters such as faculty development, student recruitment and services, curriculum development, instructional materials and equipment, and innovative teaching methodologies.
 - **Extension Projects** include program and activities that deliver science-based knowledge and informal educational programs to people, enabling them to make practical decisions.
- **Integrated Research, Education, and / or Extension Projects*** bring at least two of the three functions of the agricultural knowledge system (research, education, and extension) together around a problem area or activity.

Grant Types

- **Standard Grants** support targeted, original scientific Research, Education, Extension, or Integrated Projects.
- **Coordinated Agricultural Projects (CAPs)** are large scale multimillion dollar projects that support Research, Education, Extension or Integrated Projects to promote collaboration, open communication, and the exchange of information, reduce duplication of effort, and coordinate activities from individuals, institutions, states and regions.
- **Planning/Coordination Grants** provide assistance to applicants in the development of quality future CAP applications.
- **Conference Grants** support scientific meetings that bring together scientists to identify research, education, or extension needs, update information, or advance an area of science.
- **Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement Grants*** strengthen science capabilities in research, education, extension and integrated programs.
 - Predoctoral Fellowship Grants (new)
 - Postdoctoral Fellowship Grants
 - New Investigator Grants
 - Strengthening Grants
 - Sabbatical
 - Equipment
 - Seed Strengthening Standard
 - Strengthening CAP (new)

*See Part III of each RFA for eligibility requirements