Growing A Learning Community

The Viticulture and Enology Science and Technology Alliance (VESTA) is a collaboration of educational institutions, vineyards and wineries throughout the country to support 2-year college grape and wine programs.

The VESTA Alliance developed partnerships with 2-year colleges and universities in 23 states and has a national footprint under which 2,000+ students having enrolled from 47 states and DC along with students from 13 other countries. Over 600 vineyards and wineries in 39 states that have served as mentors and commercial sites hosting students during their field practicums.

**Rigorous and Comprehensive Educational Program**

- 39 Online courses
- 3 educational tracks—Viticulture, Enology and Wine Business Entrepreneurship
- Multiple Educational Paths—individual courses, Technical Certificate, AAS degree
- Curriculum that is industry driven and supervised by notable professors.
- Occupational Competencies for 32 GWI jobs
- Work Process Schedules for 8 newly created Registered Apprenticeship jobs.

**One Front Door**

A Unique Cost Sharing Model

Each VESTA course is offered by a two-year college in the VESTA network through a unique course-sharing model. Enrollment in VESTA courses is through a central registration and payment portal making comprehensive GWI programs of study and workforce development available to students and possible for colleges that would otherwise not be able to offer associate degrees in these disciplines.

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