April 23, 2019

Dear Chairs/Directors,

The USDA NIFA AFRI Competitive Grants Program for the 2019 and 2020 RFA Education and Workforce Development Program has been posted. This program provides support for the five areas listed below.

Three of the five program areas limit the number of applications that an institution may submit. Therefore, anyone interested in submitting an application for either the PDAL program, the Agricultural Workforce Training Grants program or the REEU program should upload a pre-proposal no more than 3 pages, as a single document file into UVM’s InfoReady Portal for Institutional Competitions (https://uvm.infoready4.com/) by May 01, 2019 before 4:30. The pre-proposal should include the following information: 1) Name of program area; 2) Project Title; 3) List of PD/PIs and key personnel; 4) List of any collaborating organizations and; 5) a brief description of the proposed project.

- **Professional Development for Agricultural Literacy (PDAL)** - Deadline for applications is June 13, 2019
  - seeks to increase the number of K-14 educational professionals trained in the Food and Agricultural Sciences - Limited to three applications per institution

- **Agricultural Workforce Training Grants** – Deadline for Letters of Intent is June 11, 2019; Full Applications due August 22, 2019
  - Provides funding to develop curriculum for workforce training in the food and agricultural sciences at community, junior, and technical colleges/institutes - Limited to three applications per institution

- **Research and Extension Experiences for Undergraduates (REEU)** – Deadline for applications is June 27, 2019
  - Supports project that provide undergraduate students with experiential learning opportunities that include significant research and/or extension components in the food and agricultural sciences; specify whether or not your proposal addresses either of two special program priorities (Food and Agriculture Cyberinformatics and Tools (FACT) or the Education Coordinated Network (ECN) - Limited to three applications per institution

- **Predoctoral Fellowships** – Deadline for applications is July 18, 2019

- **Postdoctoral Fellowships** – Deadline for applications is July 18, 2019

Please contact me with any questions.

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