New Directions for the FAEIS Team

We thank USDA-NIFA for continued funding for the 2011-12 fiscal year. In the coming year, the FAEIS team will focus on making the FAEIS data and website more accessible to users, improving the reliability and validity of the data by building upon data quality procedures, and expanding the international programs database.

The FAEIS team will continue to participate in stakeholder conferences, annual meetings, and other workshops to promote their use and participation of FAEIS.

The FAEIS team will also explore developing quarterly newsletters that focus on the educational issues of NIFA’s supporting program areas (e.g., 1890s, Higher Education Challenge Grant (HEC), Secondary Education, Two-Year Postsecondary Education, and Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom Challenge (SPEC), Multicultural Scholars Program (MSP) and National Needs Fellowship (NNF)) and that incorporate FAEIS data highlighting these supporting program areas. The newsletters will be distributed to NIFA supporting program areas, as well as stakeholder organizations. The current FAEIS newsletters are distributed to 1,400 users.

As previously mentioned, the FAEIS team will continue to add international programs and research projects to the FAEIS International Database. The FAEIS team will also conduct qualitative research to add more descriptive information to the current data. An informal group of users will guide FAEIS in how best to expand the usefulness of the International Database. The FAEIS team will also attend professional meetings to expand the awareness of the International Database, as well as highlight the data in future newsletters.

Learn more by visiting the FAEIS website.