



**Agribusiness & Agriculture Technology
Degree Programs & Related Curriculum
Development at TSJC**

HSI Education Grants Program

- **Award #: 2006-03497**
- **Award Amount: \$195,000**

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Institutions & Agencies Involved:

- Trinidad State Junior College
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Farm Services Agency
- Rural Development
- Las Animas County Cooperative Extension Service
- Local FFA chapters



CSREES/USDA Priority or Mission Areas

Educational Need Areas:

- Curricula design
- Student recruitment & retention



Objectives

- Develop academically rigorous agribusiness curriculum
- Establish transfer agreements with area four-year universities
- Implement a pro-active, effective recruiting program that targets underrepresented students
- Provide educational opportunities outside of the classroom to enhance student learning
- Host workshops and panel discussions to give students a chance to learn more about agricultural careers



Activities (initial phase of the grant)

- Create curricula & obtain program approval from the Colorado Community College System
- Initiate discussions regarding transfer agreements with CSU-Fort Collins & Fort Lewis College
- Recruit at area high schools and at related community/state-wide events