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ABSTRACT

This report describes National Science Foundation (NSF) activities in support of two-year college science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education for fiscal year 1996. Chapter 1 includes an introduction and overview, with tables showing the levels of two-year college support by NSF division from 1993 to 1996. Chapter 2 provides information on leadership and outreach activities undertaken by the Education and Human Resources (EHR) division, including workshops related to engineering technology education, a summer internship program, ethics and biotechnology, a community college day, and related conferences and publications. The third chapter outlines the Advanced Technological Education Program and offers tables of data. Chapter 4 describes leveraged program support by divisions of EHR, including the Division of Undergraduate Education; Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education; Division of Human Resource Development; Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communication; and the Division of Educational System Reform. The last chapter reviews research directorates, including NSFNET and Network Infrastructure Program, Technology Reinvestment Program, and Engineering Education Coalitions. Appendices include FY 1996 awards, an index of principal investigators, and publications of prior year activities involving two-year colleges. (YKH)

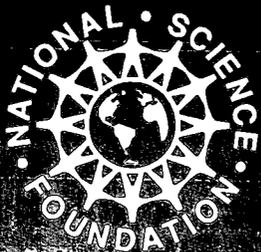
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## Foreword

The Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE) is the focal point for NSF's mission in undergraduate education and as such the focal point for community colleges. Work on this report was led by Elizabeth Teles, Lead Program Director for the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program, and Jack Hehn, Program Consultant for ATE. Valuable input was provided by Duncan McBride, DUE Section Head for Laboratory and Technology; Peggie Weeks and Myles Boylan, DUE Program Directors; Sandra Nelson, Science Education Analyst; Tim Kashmer, Program Assistant for ATE; and Norma Jeanne, Technical Assistant.

Two-year colleges and NSF can take pride in the quality of science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) projects and scholarship described in this report. NSF is enlarging its contribution to strengthening SMET education in the nation's two-year colleges. We believe this important national function is well served by NSF. As shown by the tables in this report, over the FY 1993 - FY 1996 period, NSF direct support for two-year colleges has risen from about \$7 million per year to the current level of more than \$44 million. Although \$23 million of this increase can be attributed to the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program which is directed primarily at improving technical education in two-year colleges, support through other programs in the Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) and NSF research directorates also continues to rise.

Two-year colleges are engaged with other academic and industrial partners in many collaborative activities. An emerging national leadership among two-year college SMET faculty members has played an active and effective role in this progress. Also the activities of two-year college SMET faculty in numerous professional associations have been critical to this advancement.

This report will help inform the two-year college community and its many supporters and expand the dialogue between NSF and two-year college faculty and staff who participate in NSF programs and sponsored events like those exemplified.

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## NOTES ON SOURCES OF DATA

The data provided in Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, and 12 came primarily from the NSF Main Database. For programs in EHR, the data was cross-checked against data collected by the programs and from program award sheets. Data on prior year funding came from reports prepared and published in 1994 and 1995 about awards in FY 1993 and FY 1994. Continuation numbers were collected by checking awards to two-year colleges made in FY 1992 – FY 1994. Information was further verified by reading abstracts. In a few cases, two-year institutions were not coded as two-year institutions in the main database. In other cases, institutions that have changed their status from a two-year institution to a four-year institution are still coded as two-year institutions in the main NSF database. These were not included. Data in Tables 5, 6, 7, and 8 were supplied from the NSF Main Database and the ATE Program records and verified by reading abstracts from the Advanced Technological Education program (ATE). Data in Tables 9 and 10 came from the Division of Undergraduate Education Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement (ILI) program records and the NSF database. Data in Table 11 came from information provided by the principal investigators of Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement (UFE) projects.

Summaries include awards with either the principal investigator or a co-principal investigator from a two-year college. The exceptions to this are in the Alliances for Minority Participation (AMP), the Statewide Systemic Initiatives (SSI), the Urban Systemic Initiatives (USI), and the Collaboratives for Excellence in Teacher Preparation (CETP). It is difficult to determine the direct benefit to two-year colleges through these programs, although it is recognized that the benefit is substantial. Because the awards in these programs are very large and the number of principal investigators is often large, it was determined that including those amounts would skew the data. A conservative estimate is that 10% to 25% of those projects directly benefit two-year colleges. In addition, it is also conservatively estimated that most of the other AMP, SSI, and USI projects also provide up to 25% direct benefit to two-year colleges.

This report was prepared by the Division of Undergraduate Education. All information provided in the report has been verified and cross checked. While every effort was made to secure information from other sources, some information may be missing. In addition, program officers in Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education (ESIE), Division of Human Resource Development (HRD), Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communication (REC), Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE), and Division of Educational System Reform (ESR) reviewed the information provided in this report.

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**CHAPTER I  
INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW**

The National Science Foundation (NSF) continues to recognize and support the critical role that two-year colleges play in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) education. Among NSF activities are: (a) grants made directly to two-year colleges, (b) collaborative efforts in which two-year colleges play a major role, (c) support of curriculum materials and faculty enhancement activities that benefit students and faculty in two-year colleges as well as others in the academic community, and (d) workshops, conferences, studies, and other special activities.

Direct NSF support to two-year colleges has increased almost six-fold from FY 1993 to FY 1996. Support grew from about \$7.6 million in FY 1993 to over \$44.0 million in FY 1996. A major component of NSF's support of two-year colleges is the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program. ATE was created in FY 1994 and aimed primarily at two-year colleges and their academic and industrial partners. The ATE program accounted for approximately \$23.7 million or about 54% of NSF support of two-year colleges in FY 1996. Funding continues to grow in other programs in the Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR). Support in the research directorates grew to \$4.8 million in FY 1996 with much of that support coming from Computer and Information Science and Engineering.

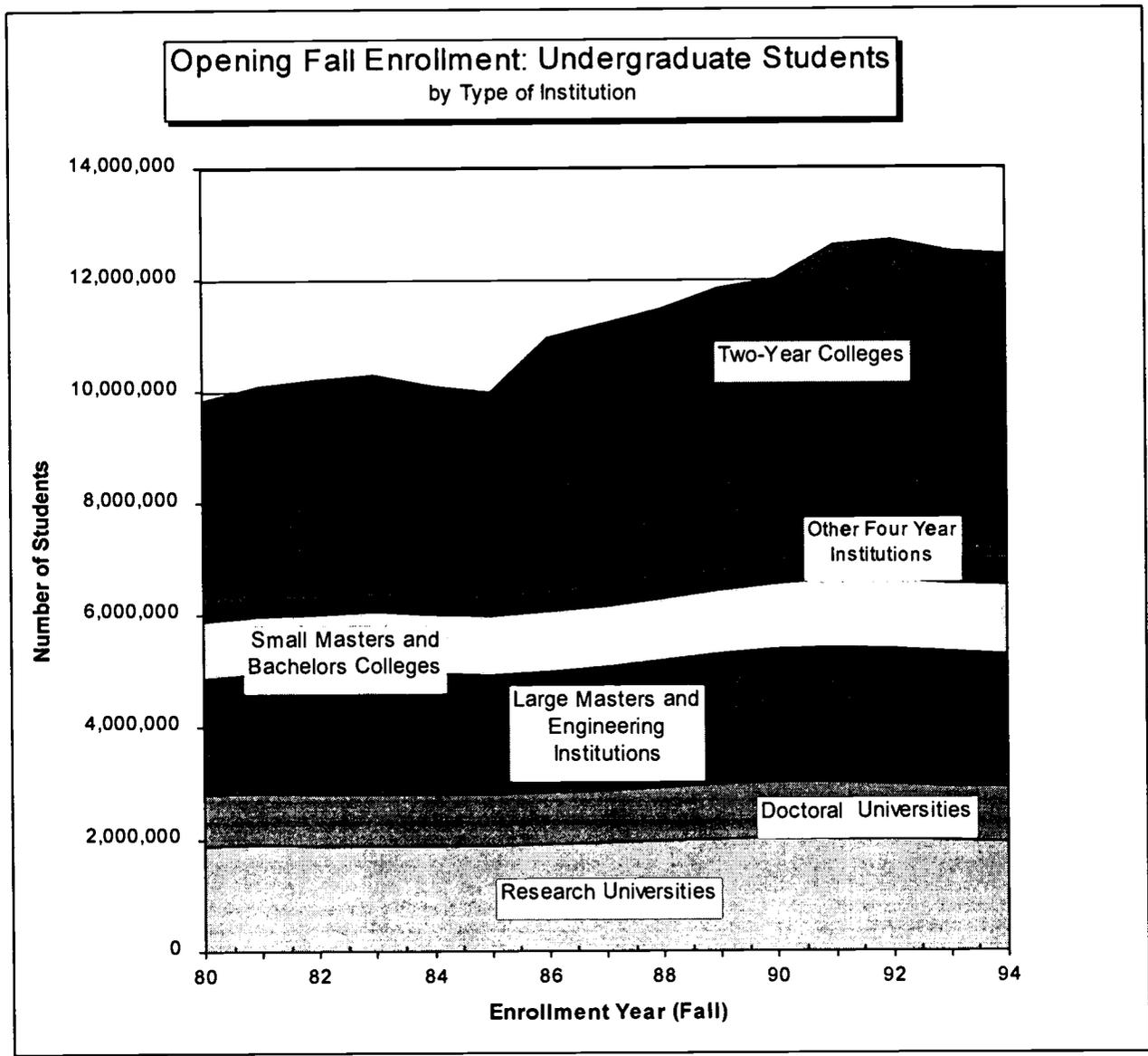
The Foundation's goal of improving and strengthening SMET programs for *all* students is reflected in its support to two-year colleges through leadership activities and program support. Two-year colleges provide a great diversity of learning objectives including: (a) courses of study that articulate with, and transfer to, four-year colleges and universities, (b) technical education and other career-oriented programs, (c) developmental education for students underprepared to begin college work, and (d) additional coursework for students who have baccalaureate and other advanced degrees but desire to change careers or seek professional advancement. Increasingly, teachers in the K - 12 system and those who earn PhDs in science fields originate their higher education or take some coursework contributing to their degree in two-year colleges. There is growing evidence in many states that a very large percentage of newly certified teachers have taken much or all of their SMET coursework in two-year colleges. This necessity for developing SMET preparation of future teachers is not well recognized among two-year college faculty or administrators.

This report focuses primarily on activities for two-year colleges that are supported by the Education and Human Resources Directorate (EHR), and in particular, the Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE). However, additional information on Foundation-wide activities is provided to set the report in a broader NSF context. The FY 1996 NSF awards highlighted in this report were made to two-year colleges in 41 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Also, in the last several years, NSF has significantly increased the expertise of its own professional staff by adding permanent and rotating staff who have direct experience with two-year colleges and who have demonstrated leadership in the two-year college SMET community.

The two-year college is a relatively new entity in American higher education with the first Junior College opening slightly less than 100 years ago. Few two-year colleges existed until after World War II and most have opened in the past 37 years. Between 1960 and 1975, community colleges increased two and a half times in number, opening at a rate of almost one per week. As one indication of the tremendous growth of two-year colleges, from 1969 to 1992 enrollment in two-year colleges tripled to over 5.7 million students in credit classes. This enrollment accounted for 44% of the nation's undergraduates and 49% of first time

freshmen. About 27% of students in community colleges are underrepresented minorities. Women comprise 58% of community college enrollment.\*\* As evidenced in Figure 1, the enrollment of undergraduate students in higher education is being dramatically changed by enrollments in two-year colleges.

Figure 1



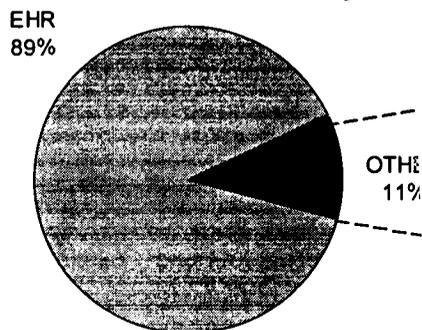
The Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE) is the focal point of NSF activities in support of science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education in two-year colleges. Robert F. Watson, Director on Leave, Division of Undergraduate Education, serves as NSF's "Official Liaison with Community Colleges" as called for in the Scientific and Advanced Technology Act (PL#102-476). In FY 1996, DUE accounted for \$21.2 million or 48% of the total NSF direct support to two-year colleges, as well as much of the collaborative support involving all DUE programs. (Table 1 and Figure 3)

\*\* Data from *National Profile of Community Colleges: Trends and Statistics FY 1995 - FY 1996* published by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC).

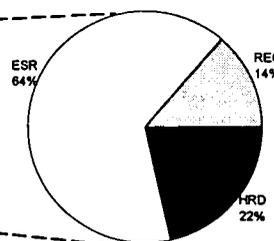
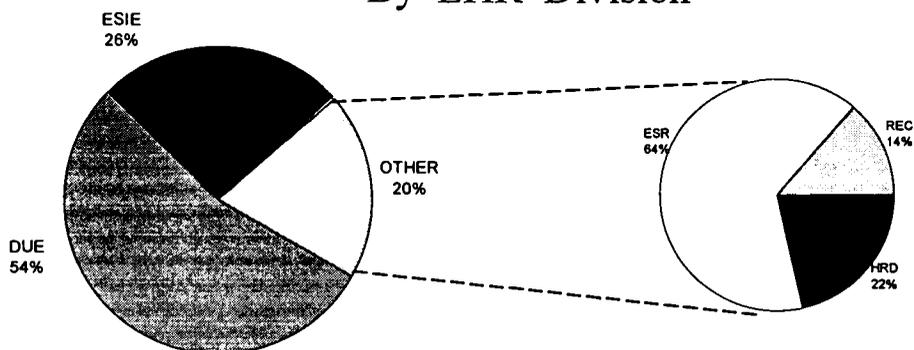
Figure 2

## FY 1996 NSF Awards to Two-Year Colleges

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By EHR Division



### KEY

**Directorates:**

**BIO** = Directorate for Biological Sciences  
**CISE** = Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering  
**EHR** = Directorate for Education and Human Resources  
**ENG** = Directorate for Engineering  
**MPS** = Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences

**Divisions:**

**ESIE** = Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education  
**ESR** = Division of Educational System Reform  
**HRD** = Division of Human Resource Development  
**DUE** = Division of Undergraduate Education  
**REC** = Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communication

Table 1

**NSF AWARDS  
TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGES  
FY 1993 - FY 1996**

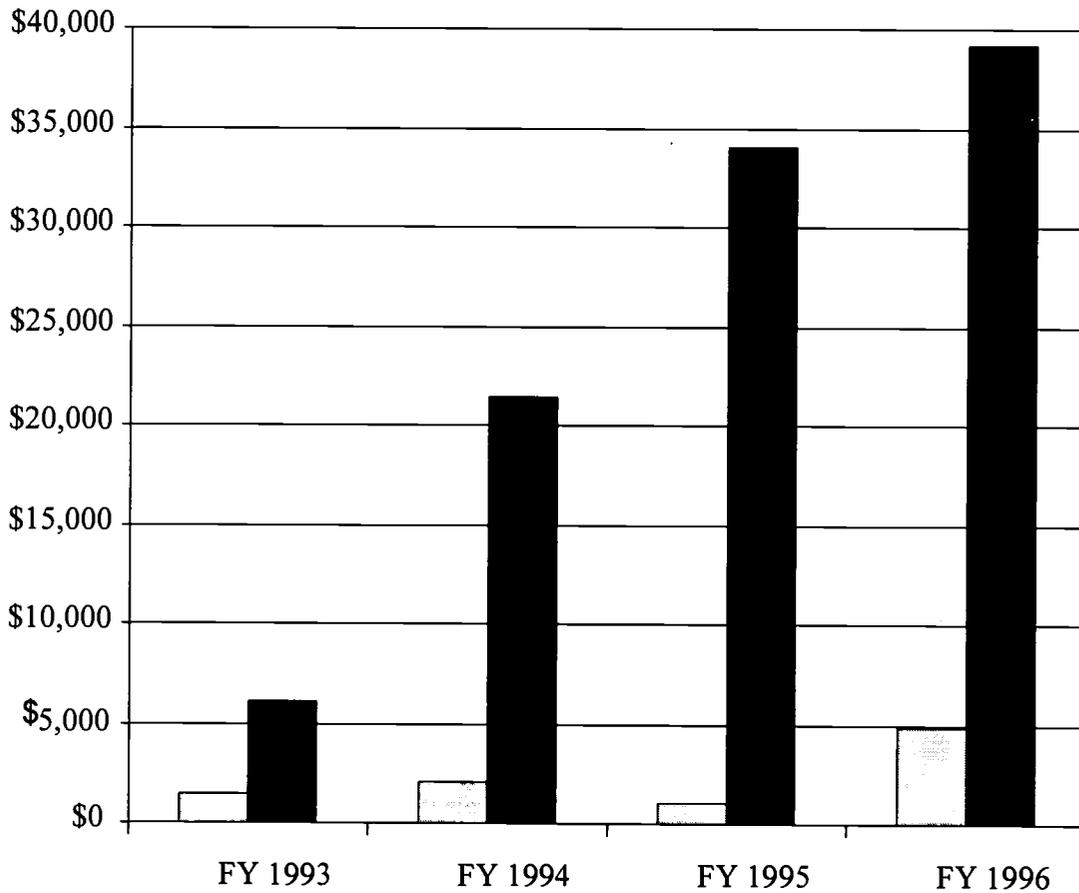
Directorate/Office	FY 1993		FY 1994		FY 1995		FY 1996	
	# Awards	Dollars (in 1000s)						
Office of the Director	4	\$58	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Planning and Evaluation	0	0	1	59	1	5	0	0
Mathematical and Physical Sciences	1	66	4	346	2	185	2	109
Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences	2	132	1	80	0	0	1	98
Computer and Information Science and Engineering	11	295	29	951	19	836	18	3,482
Geosciences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Engineering	2	272	1	83	0	0	4	768
Biological Sciences	2	647	6	522	1	56	5	376
<b>Total, Research Directorates</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>\$1,470</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>\$2,041</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>\$1,082</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>\$4,833</b>
Education and Human Resources	101	\$6,107	167	\$21,433	169	\$34,459	171	\$39,197
<b>TOTAL, NSF</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>\$7,577</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>23,474</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>\$35,541</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>\$44,030</b>
Estimated Out-Year Totals - EHR				\$39,000		\$74,000		\$86,000
Estimated Out-Year Totals - NSF				\$44,000		\$74,000		\$94,000

**FIGURE 3**

**NSF Awards to Two-Year Colleges**

**FY 1993 - FY 1996**

**Awards (\$1000)**



□ Research Directorates

■ Education and Human Resources

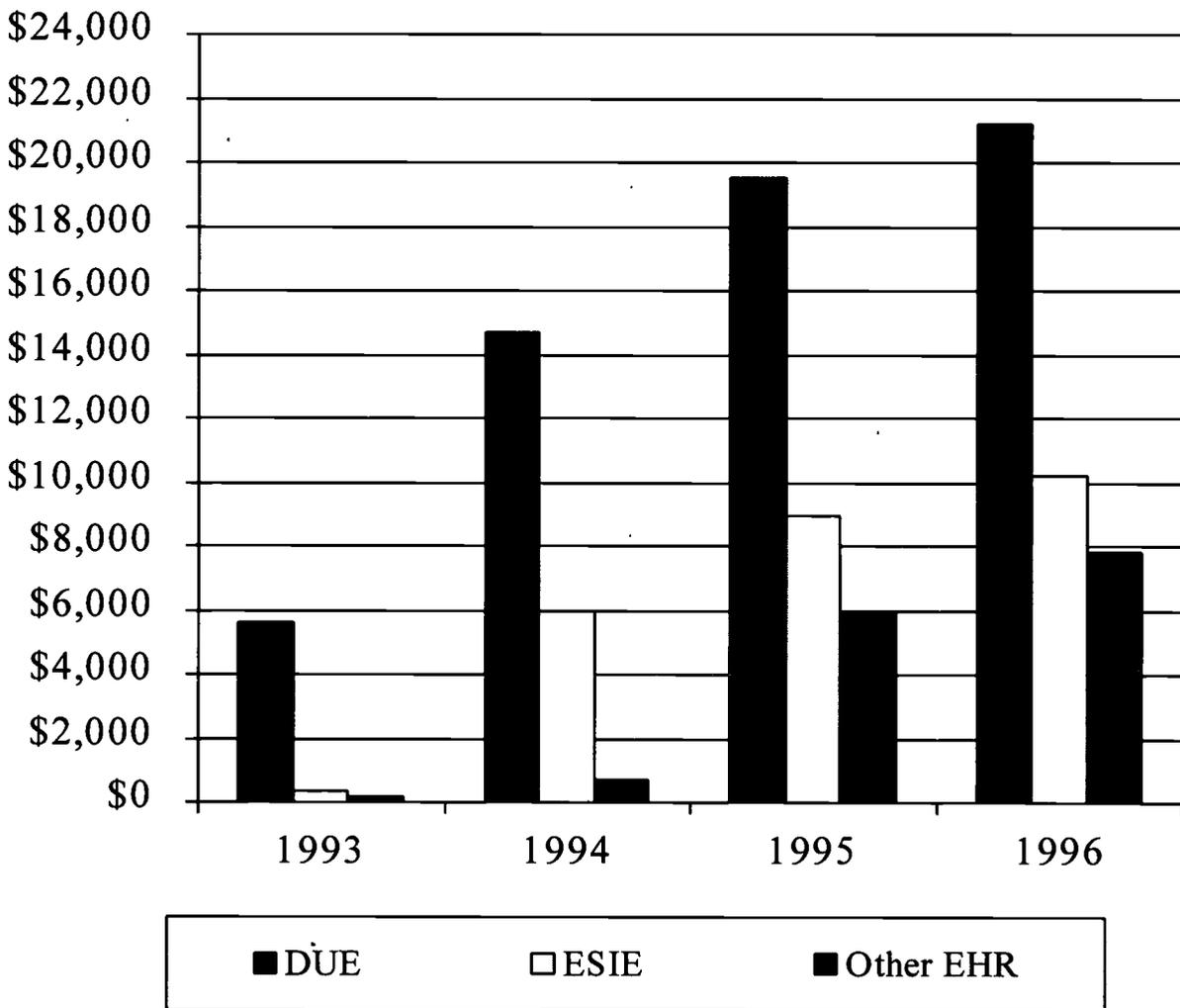
Table 2  
**DIRECTORATE FOR EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES**  
**AWARDS TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGES**  
**FY 1993 - FY 1996**

Division/Offices	FY 1993		FY 1994		FY 1995		FY 1996	
	# Awards	Dollars (in 1000s)						
Undergraduate Education (DUE)	93	\$5,603	126	\$14,716	126	\$19,517	129	\$21,184
Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education (ESIE)	6	330	33	5,987	33	8,975	31	10,216
Human Resource Development (HRD)	2	174	4	462	6	2,268	5	1,690
Graduate Education (DGE)	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0
Educational System Reform (ESR)	0	0	1	140	1	1,600	3	5,052
Research, Evaluation, and Communication (REC)	0	0	2	124	3	2,099	3	1,055
<b>TOTAL FOR EHR</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>\$6,107</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>\$21,433</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>\$34,459</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>\$39,197</b>
Estimated Total Out-year Commitments				\$39,000		\$74,000		\$86,000

**FIGURE 4**

**Directorate for Education and  
Human Resources  
Awards to Two-Year Colleges  
FY 1993 - FY 1996**

Awards (\$1000)



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**CHAPTER II  
LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES**

**Introduction**

The Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) has undertaken numerous leadership activities involving two-year colleges. Many of these activities are centered in the Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE) and the Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education (ESIE).

**Outreach Workshops**

In 1996, DUE and ESIE sponsored a series of regional workshops which targeted administrators and faculty members from two-year colleges. These workshops were held in Illinois, Mississippi, Virginia, Texas, Maryland, Missouri, Arizona, and the District of Columbia. The goals of the workshops were to (a) discuss with the two-year college community and their academic and industrial partners opportunities for two-year college funding, (b) encourage quality proposals from two-year colleges to more NSF programs, and (c) give the two-year college community an opportunity to interact with NSF program directors.

In addition, NSF program directors gave numerous presentations at professional meetings involving two-year colleges. Those listed below with an asterisk involved primarily two-year college faculty and administrators, while other meetings involved significant numbers of two-year college faculty. These include but are not limited to:

- The American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (AMATYC)\*,
- The National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT),
- The American Chemical Society (ACS),
- The American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT),
- The Mathematical Association of America (MAA),
- The National Council for Resource Development National Convention (NCRD)\*,
- Regional Technology Strategies\*,
- The League for Innovation in the Community College\*,
- American Association of Community Colleges (AACCC)\*,
- Phi Theta Kappa\*,
- American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE),
- Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET),
- American Society for Microbiology (ASM),
- International Technology Education Association (ITEA),
- American Vocational Association (AVA),
- Frontiers in Education (FIE),
- College-Industry Education Conference (CIEC),
- Genetics Revolutions Conference (a special workshop on two-year college role in biology and biotechnology), and
- National School-to-Work conference sponsored by the Institute for Education and the Economy.

## **FY 1996 Highlights: Advanced Technological Education**

In March, 1996 the publication *Advanced Technological Education: FY 1995 Awards and Activities (NSF 96-54)* was published. This publication includes information about the ATE program and FY 1995 awards, a brief history of the ATE program, a listing of awards by types of technology, abstracts of all awarded projects, an index of awards by state, an index of principal investigators, and numerous maps.

## **NSF/EHR Study of Undergraduate Education**

An ambitious year-long study that provides a detailed look at the state of undergraduate education in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) in U.S. colleges and universities was completed in 1996. The study, the first of its kind in a decade, was conducted by a subcommittee of the EHR Advisory Committee. The study report, *Shaping the Future: New Expectations for Undergraduate Education in Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and Technology* (NSF 96-139), provides action-oriented recommendations for improving the quality of undergraduate education in SMET. It is broad in scope, reflecting the advice and contributions of hundreds of individuals representing the public and private sectors, professional societies, and diverse academic groups.

Within the context of a broader study of centrality and importance to society of an undergraduate education, the report urges attention to the needs of all undergraduate students in all types of educational institutions, recognizes the importance of two-year colleges as the starting point (and often re-starting point) in higher education for increasing numbers of students, and suggests increased attention to the potential role of two-year institutions in addressing the Nation's need for well trained K – 12 teachers.

The report provides a rich set of recommendations that, when taken together, constitute a coherent, broad-reaching call to action to improve SMET education for all undergraduate students. Four ideas constitute a firm foundation for this plan:

- Every undergraduate should have access to an excellent education in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology and be encouraged to study and learn these subjects.
- A flexible SMET curriculum should provide students with greater awareness of, and preparation for career opportunities.
- The educational environment should be supportive of students, promote active learning, encourage collaboration, and emphasize inquiry more than rote acquisition of facts.
- All links in the education chain, including K - 12, undergraduate, graduate, and professional schools, must work together to provide, assure, and reward sound learning.

Among the overarching findings of the study was that an excellent, engaging education in SMET subjects is critically important for all undergraduates, not solely SMET majors. Equally apparent in the report was the number of successful and encouraging improvements made over the past decade, many funded by NSF programs or driven by NSF-funded projects. Among these improvements are the increased use of, and emphasis on:

- flexible, modular curricula;
- introduction of complex concepts through practical, real-world scenarios;
- interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary collaboration;
- collaborative and active learning; and
- educational technology.

At the same time, several barriers to continued improvement are identified:

- dwindling resources;
- a rigid academic establishment resistant to change;
- high variability in the preparation and abilities of incoming students;
- ineffective or inefficient use of technology in instruction and learning;
- insufficient application of learning assessment and evaluation tools; and
- faculty reward systems inconsistent with the improvement of undergraduate education

The report strongly advises that SMET undergraduate education become:

- more central in the curriculum and in faculty rewards and recognition;
- more centered around the student and in the processes of the various disciplines;
- more connected with students' own experiences and to interdisciplinary content;
- more collaborative among students as well as across institutions, organizations, professional societies, and industry; and
- more comprehensive across each institution and in all institutions offering SMET education.

### **Shaping the Future Conference**

In July 1996, teams from approximately 50 institutions, as well as about 500 individuals, attended the NSF National Conference *Shaping the Future*. Twelve teams from two-year colleges, representing the six ATE Centers and the six two-year college Institution-wide Reform (IR) grantees, participated in and exhibited at the conference. Sessions focused on the needs and goals of institution-wide reform, perspectives from industry and employers, effective practices and collaborations, strategies for institution-wide reform, and plans for the future. A legislator's roundtable, a panel discussion by industry, a college president's forum, and a discussion of the *NSF Review of Undergraduate Education* along with the *National Research Council (NRC) Year of National Dialogue* were also featured.

### **Engineering Technology Education in Two-Year Colleges: National Agenda Workshop for the Future of Engineering Technician Education**

The NSF Advanced Technological Education (ATE) Program funded a workshop, held in the fall of 1995, to design a national agenda for the future of engineering technician education. This workshop, hosted by Sinclair Community College in Ohio, was co-sponsored by the Engineering Technology Division of the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) and the Technology Accreditation Commission of ABET. Fifty-six participants from 25 states represented academic institutions, professional societies, and business and industry.

The purpose of the workshop was to identify the scope of changes that should occur beyond the turn of the century in engineering technician education, primarily in two-year colleges. The vision is creation of an environment for the delivery of affordable, accessible, and continuously improving associate degree engineering technician education which prepares graduates to succeed as contributing professionals in a world-class workforce. The publication resulting from the workshop, *A National Agenda for the Future of Engineering Technician Education*, was printed in 1996 and is available by contacting Al Wahle, Sinclair Community College, 444 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Dayton, OH 45402-1460, by calling 937-449-5107, or by e-mail <awahle@sinclair.edu>

## **Preparing the Knowledge Worker of the Future**

In May 1996, the conference and exposition, Edu.Tech@Work, was sponsored by the ATE Northwest Center for Emerging Technologies (NWCET) and held in Bellevue, Washington. The title of the conference was ***Preparing the Knowledge Worker of the Future***. Bill Gates, Chairman and CEO of Microsoft, and Phil Condit, President and CEO Designate of Boeing, were featured. Concurrent sessions focused on education on the superhighway (distance learning, web authoring tools, and electronic classroom designs); (b) the knowledge worker (work is learning, information technology career clusters, recruiting and retraining knowledge workers, and teaching the teachers); (c) multimedia development and distribution (authoring tools, product development teams, copyright laws, and CD-ROM textbooks); (d) people and organizations for the 21<sup>st</sup> century (emerging industries, learning organizations, outsourcing and in-house services, and reengineering the information technology staff); and (e) business and education partnerships that work.

## **Phi Theta Kappa Summer Internship Program**

During the summer of 1996, NSF cooperated with Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges, to offer a summer internship program at NSF for two-year college honor students. Two summer interns worked cooperatively with DUE and ESIE on the ATE program and other two-year college activities. The internship program was designed (a) to allow students to work with senior agency staff on special projects; (b) to give them exposure to science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education programs; (c) to let them interact with policy makers; and (d) to give them experience working in an office. Information on the program can be obtained from Phi Theta Kappa, Washington Office, 444 North Capital Street NW, Suite 428, Washington, DC 20001 or by phone at 202-393-2624.

## **Ethics and Biotechnology: A Blueprint for the Future**

In January 1996 a NSF supported workshop on ***Ethics and Biotechnology*** was hosted by the Biotechnology Center at Northwestern University. This workshop provided a blueprint for the incorporation of ethics in the teaching, practice, and management of biotechnology. A seamless strategy was used in which leaders from the K - 12 sector, community colleges, four-year colleges, research universities, industry, and professional societies worked together to develop a plan for the future. The goal was to assure that the United States maintains the highest standards of ethics in biotechnology education, both now and in the future. Principal investigators and other representatives from biotechnology programs funded by the ATE program were among the participants. An important aspect of the workshop was that it afforded an opportunity for leaders from a variety of different arenas to meet and address concerns that are important in a seamless implementation of ethics in science and biotechnology, primarily in two-year college biotechnology programs. The workshop proceedings entitled ***Biotechnology and Ethics: A Blueprint for the Future*** was published in 1996. Copies can be obtained by contacting the Center for Biotechnology, Northwestern University, 1801 Maple Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201, or by phone at 847-467-1453.

## **Community College Day at the National Science Foundation**

On April 1, 1996, NSF recognized Community College Month by hosting, in cooperation with the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), Community College Day. In addition to NSF staff, numerous community college faculty and administrators and professional society representatives

attended the event. Fred Haise, Apollo 13 astronaut and retired president of Northrup Grumman Technical Services, was the featured speaker. Haise is a graduate of Perkinston Junior College (now Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College). He received one of the AACC 1996 Outstanding Alumni Awards. His presentation focused on his experiences aboard the Apollo 13 Mission.

### **Community-Senior College Science and Mathematics Connection Conference**

In October 1996, NSF supported a conference on *Community-Senior College Science and Mathematics Connections*. The purpose of the meeting was to strengthen the teaching of science and mathematics and enhance the effectiveness of transition between two- and four-year colleges through improved cooperation and articulation in science and mathematics. Breakout sessions focused on such issues as:

- changes that must be made to improve the teaching of science and mathematics at two- and four-year colleges;
- networking and information exchanges to enhance cooperation between two- and four-year institutions; and
- proven practices that foster successful student transfer between two- and four-year colleges.

The proceedings of the conference were published in FY 1997; a website devoted to the meeting and follow-up is <<http://www.orau.gov/orau/comtycol.htm>>.

### **Cooperative Efforts with American Association of Community Colleges (AACC)**

- **AACC National Convention**

In April 1996, NSF sponsored a special session entitled *The Increasing Reliance on Community Colleges: Programs at the National Science Foundation* at the AACC 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. The session featured a two-year college president from a large suburban community college, an industry vice-president from Siemens Corporation, and a two-year college dean for academic affairs from a large urban community college. In addition, several two-year college grantees participated in forums. NSF had a booth in the exhibit area.

- **AACC Roundtable on Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and Technology**

In May 1996, AACC, with NSF support, held a National Roundtable on Science and Engineering Technology Education. Eighteen national leaders plus six AACC staff participated in this exchange. Participants represented two-year colleges, four-year colleges and universities, secondary schools, industry, and government. Background papers by Beverly Simone, President of Madison Area Technical College, and Arnold Packer, Chairman of SCANS 2000 and member of Johns Hopkins Institute for Policy Studies, helped to focus initial discussions. A monograph of recommendations for community colleges entitled *Improving Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and Technology Education: Strategies for the Community College* was published in December 1996. Copies can be obtained by contacting AACC at One Dupont Circle Suite 410, Washington, DC 20036-1176 or by phone at 202-728-0200.

- **AACC National Videoconference**

In September 1996, NSF and AACC jointly sponsored a national videoconference *Leading the Nation: Innovation in Two-Year College Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and Technology Programs*. The purpose of this videoconference was to discuss: (a) involvement of two-year colleges in improvement of SMET education for all students; (b) relationship of two-year

colleges with other levels of education such as secondary schools and four-year institutions to help ensure that two-year colleges are part of the continuum of education; (c) new and creative partnerships with business and industry; (d) innovative practices in SMET education in two-year colleges; (e) unmet needs of students, particularly those in two-year colleges who receive basic instruction both in SMET disciplines and in non-SMET disciplines which are becoming increasingly more dependent on more SMET knowledge; (f) infrastructure needs for best instructional practices; and (g) other issues which need attention before major changes can occur to raise the quality of undergraduate learning in SMET areas in two-year colleges. The videoconference highlighted two panels: one panel focused on partnerships and their roles in creating, developing, and sustaining innovative SMET partnerships in two-year colleges; the second focused on the role of community colleges in these transitions between educational levels and between education and the workplace. Neal Lane, Director of NSF, and David Pierce, President of AACC, gave the opening remarks. The conference also highlighted several innovative two-year college SMET programs.

### **Advanced Technological Education Principal Investigators Conference**

In November 1996, AACC, in cooperation with NSF, sponsored the third annual Principal Investigators (PI) Conference on Advanced Technological Education (ATE). These ATE conferences are designed to help ATE award recipients think of the ATE program more broadly than just their own project and to consider how the ATE program as a whole can impact and improve technological education in this country. The purpose of the conference entitled *Partnering with Business and Industry* was (a) to allow ATE projects and centers to showcase their project accomplishments; (b) to focus on what constitutes effective partnerships between academic institutions and business and industry; (c) to emphasize the need to develop partnerships with business and industry and with the local community and subsequently foster and maintain these partnerships; (d) to facilitate the networking of projects and centers with each other and with industrial partners; (e) to discuss issues of interest and challenges common to ATE projects; (f) to highlight the leadership role of two-year colleges in SMET education for the technical workforce; and (g) to bring together leaders from two-year colleges with other stakeholders in advanced technological education (e.g., business and industry, secondary schools, government, professional societies) to plan for the future. The workshop involved more than 225 ATE PI's from about 100 of the currently funded ATE projects and centers. They represented two- and four-year colleges, universities, secondary schools, industry, and professional organizations interested in technician education. Accompanying the PIs were over 60 industrial partners representing large, small, and medium size companies. Three pre-conference workshops focused on (a) NSF grant management and audit procedures, (b) effective project evaluation, and (c) establishing effective two-year college and high school ATE student internships and cooperative education experiences. Conference participants reflected upon the positive impact that the National Science Foundation ATE program has made toward educating a highly qualified workforce for the future. Each of the 100 ATE projects and centers participated in one of two showcases. The activity and energy at the showcases were extremely high as PIs actively engaged each other and networked for more interactions at later times. A conference highlight was a plenary address by Roberts Jones, President of the National Alliance of Business, who discussed new paradigms for interactions between two-year colleges and business and industry to prepare the workforce for today and tomorrow. Other conference activities included a panel discussion on industry/college partnerships, a panel discussion on national standards (mathematics and science academic standards, school-to-work standards, voluntary industry standards, professional accrediting

standards, and industry standards such as ISO 9000 and ISO 14000) and their impact on two-year college programs, and an examination of the impact of the undergraduate study on two-year colleges and the role that two-year colleges should play in implementing its recommendations (See page 10).

### **NSF Dynamic Partnerships Conference**

In June 1996, special sessions focusing on two-year colleges were held at the NSF/EHR working conference entitled *Dynamic Partnerships: Seeding and Sustaining Education Reform*. The purpose of the conference was to show how collaborations and partnerships play a critical role in the success of science education reform. Special emphasis was placed on building successful partnerships and alliances to leverage scarce resources, synthesize activities, and introduce change that improves the teaching and learning of science, mathematics, engineering, and technology. Sessions also provided evidence that partnerships and collaboration are requirements, not options, for successful and sustainable reform. One session highlighted *Introductory Biology for Undergraduates: A New Model*. This project, being led by the Biological Sciences Curriculum Study (BSCS), is a joint effort of eight community colleges, AACC, the two-year section of the National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT), the Society for College Science Teaching, and several other professional societies and publishing companies. The materials help students (a) to better understand the fundamental processes of biology, (b) to enhance their scientific reasoning and critical thinking skills, and (c) to better understand how science relates to everyday life. A second session highlighted the *South Carolina ATE Exemplary Faculty Project* which is aimed at restructuring the learning environment in the 16 South Carolina two-year technical colleges. This project involved interdisciplinary college faculty teams in intensive faculty development activities, a system-wide electronic network, and a project-based team approach to designing and implementing curriculum materials and instructional strategies. Collaborative partners included the South Carolina Department of Education, the Virginia Community College system, approximately 30 industrial partners, and many other four-year college and secondary school academic partners.

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**CHAPTER III  
THE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGICAL  
EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Both Congress and the White House recognize the importance of the technical workforce to a globally competitive economy; thus, the *Scientific and Advanced Technology Act of 1992* called for the National Science Foundation to establish a national program to improve the education for technicians in advanced technology fields by utilizing the resources of the nation's two-year colleges. In August 1993, NSF announced the **Advanced Technological Education (ATE)** program. These efforts created a sound foundation for cultivating innovative programs to advance technological education in the United States.

The primary purpose of the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) Program is to promote exemplary improvement in technician education at the national and regional level through support of curriculum development and program improvement, particularly in two-year colleges and secondary schools. All projects and centers have a vision for technician education for the high performance workplace. This vision is used to guide project development. Curriculum development encompasses the design and implementation of new curricula, courses, laboratories, and instructional materials. Program improvement encompasses faculty and teacher development, student academic support, and formal cooperative arrangements among institutions and other partners. The ATE projects and centers not only prepare students to enter the technical workforce, but also provide a solid foundation for continued higher education. The ATE program is jointly managed by the Division of Undergraduate Education and the Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education. A full report on the FY 1996 ATE program can be found in the NSF publication *Advanced Technological Education: 1996 Awards and Activities* (NSF 97-50).

The ATE program made its first awards in the summer of 1994. As of December 1996, the ATE program is supporting eight Centers of Excellence and about 100 projects. Centers focus on systemic approaches to technician education usually within a specific discipline. However, they are also expected to have a broad impact on two-year colleges, secondary schools, the region, and the nation. Projects focus on one or more specific aspects of technician education such as curriculum or instructional materials development, faculty or teacher preparation or enhancement, technical experiences for students, or laboratory development. There are cooperative efforts among projects and centers to assure that the ATE program is having a national impact. The NSF acts as a partner in these efforts by holding annual principal investigator meetings and supporting other efforts which encourage networking and joint activities.

The ATE Centers serve as national and regional models and clearinghouses for the benefit of both colleges and secondary schools. An essential feature of centers is active participation in the educational process by both academia and the private and public sectors served by the educational system.

While all current Centers have two-year colleges as the lead institution, Centers are cooperative efforts among two-year colleges, four-year colleges and universities, secondary schools, industry, business, and government. In particular, ATE Centers:

- assure that students acquire strong backgrounds in mathematics, science, and technology;
- prepare these students for the high performance technological workplace;
- serve as exemplars for partnering with business and industry;
- enhance faculty and teachers in these programs;
- act as models for other institutions; and
- yield nationally-usable educational products.

In the third year of the program, 36 of the 120 proposals submitted were funded, for a funding rate of 30%. These new awards went to institutions in 21 states. With ATE projects continuing from FY 1994 and FY 1995, those co-funded with other projects, and new awards, ATE projects are currently being supported in 36 states plus the District of Columbia.

**TABLE 3**

**ATE Proposals Received for the February 1, 1996 Deadline**

<u>Type of Proposal</u>	<u>Number</u>
Centers of Excellence	18
Projects in Advanced Technological Education	102
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Total Number of Formal Proposals Received	120
Total Dollars Requested:	\$186 M

For FY 1996, NSF awarded a total of \$23.7 million for ATE-related activities. Since ATE funds are divided between the Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE) and the Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education (ESIE) in the ratio 2:1, approximately \$15.2 million was provided by DUE and \$7.5 million by ESIE. As can be seen in Table 3, 120 proposals were received requesting about \$186 million. Table 4 provides relevant information about the current year and out-year commitments for the program.

As seen in Table 4, ATE partially or fully supported 15 projects submitted to other programs that directly benefited technician education. These included three Course and Curriculum Development projects, five Chemistry Initiative projects, three Mathematics and Their Applications Across the Curriculum projects, one Instructional Materials Development project, one Teacher Enhancement project, one Young Scholars project, and one Research Experiences for Undergraduates project. Other NSF programs contributed funds to four ATE projects. The Teacher Preparation Program in DUE-contributed \$320,000 to three of the ATE Centers for special activities that prepare future K - 12 teachers, and the Studies and Indicators Program contributed \$50,000 to an ATE special study.

**TABLE 4**

**Award Statistics in the ATE Program  
FY 1996  
(Dollars in Millions)**

TYPE	NUMBER	FY 1996	FY 1997 (Outyear)	FY 1998 (Outyear)	TOTAL
Centers, New	2	\$1.37	\$1.39	\$1.87	\$4.63
Projects, New	34	8.26	4.53	1.79	14.58
Centers, Continuing	6	5.29	2.90	-	8.19
Projects, Continuing	17	5.56	1.77		7.33
Special Projects	4	0.45	.40	.26	1.11
Leadership Activities		1.52			1.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>\$22.45</b>	<b>\$10.99</b>	<b>\$3.92</b>	<b>\$37.36</b>
Contributions to Other Programs	15	0.85	.54	.36	1.75
Contributions from Other Programs		.37	.37	.07	.81
<b>Total</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>\$23.67</b>	<b>\$11.90</b>	<b>\$4.35</b>	<b>\$39.92</b>

As shown in Table 5, the awards cover a wide range of advanced technological education fields including biotechnology, environmental technology, computer and information systems technology, chemical technology, manufacturing technology, electronics, geographic information systems technology, telecommunications, instrumentation and calibration technologies, and laser technology and core courses such as mathematics, physics, biology, chemistry which serve to undergird such programs.

**TABLE 5**

**Award Distribution by Focus Area in the ATE Program  
FY 1996  
DUE and ESIE**

	Continuing	New
Science Technologies including Biotechnology, Chemical Technology, Computer Technology, and Environmental Technology	21	10
Engineering Technologies including Manufacturing, Electronics, Aerospace, Technology, Geographic Information Systems,	32	18
Core Courses including Mathematics, Physics, Technology Education, and Multi/Interdisciplinary	17	8
<b>Total Awards Among Projects submitted to the ATE program</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>36</b>

In FY 1996, two new Centers of Excellence in Advanced Technological Education were awarded:

- The Maricopa Advanced Technology Education Center (MATE) is focusing on semiconductor manufacturing and related supporting industries. Primary objectives include creating new curricular systems and materials, providing technical support for faculty who prepare students for these technical careers, and increasing the number of students who prepare for and become employed by the semiconductor manufacturing industries. The Center is a joint effort of the Maricopa Community College District; ten semiconductor manufacturing firms including Intel, Motorola, SGS-Thompson, and Microchip Technology; SEMATECH; two Tech-Prep consortia involving 13 secondary schools; and three other community college districts.
- The South Carolina Advanced Technological Education Center is creating a more highly educated technical workforce in advanced engineering technology fields. Objectives focus on curriculum reform, program improvement, and faculty development. Curriculum reform combines development of an integrated/coordinated engineering technology core using a systems-based approach along with advanced specialty courses. Faculty development focuses on use of interdisciplinary teaching teams. The Center involves the South Carolina Technical/Community College System as well as all 16 technical colleges in South Carolina and over 25 other educational institutions, governmental agencies, and businesses in active roles including Clemson University, the South Carolina State Department of Education, the South Carolina NSF Statewide Systemic Initiative (SSI), Bell South, Michelin, Bose, Robert Bosch, and NCR.

The two new Centers join the six continuing Centers funded originally in FY 1994 and FY 1995.

- The New Jersey Center for Advanced Technological Education led by Middlesex County College is creating a new associate's engineering technology degree program to meet the demand for multifunctional engineering technicians. This new program being developed by community colleges is derived from combining mechanical, computer, telecommunications, and electronics technological programs. The program begins in grade 11, continues through the associate degree, and articulates with baccalaureate programs at New Jersey Institute of Technology for engineering technology programs and with Trenton State's program in technology education to prepare future secondary teachers.
- The Northwest Center for Sustainable Resources led by Chemeketa Community College in Oregon is a collaborative effort of secondary schools, community colleges, four-year institutions, industries, government agencies, Native American tribes, and applied international research groups. Associate degree natural resource technology programs incorporate higher levels of mathematics and science using an ecosystems approach that emphasizes sustainable methods of resource utilization. Program graduates enter employment as advanced technicians in a variety of science-based occupations including forestry, fishery, environmental restoration, and geographic surveying, or they may continue for baccalaureate and other advanced degrees.
- Bellevue Community College in Washington, in collaboration with industry, government, secondary schools, other community colleges, and four-year institutions, is leading a new Center in Information Technology to respond to industry's need for well-trained technicians. The Center, with strong input from industry, is developing articulation standards and model associate degree programs particularly for information science. Microsoft and Boeing, as well as many small to medium size companies in the Seattle area, are active partners in the Center. These companies provide personnel as well as financial resources.

- The Advanced Manufacturing Center, housed on the campus of Sinclair Community College in Ohio, is a joint effort of Sinclair, the University of Dayton, numerous local industries, and secondary schools. It includes community colleges in three other states in development activities with other involvement planned in beta testing stages. The Center is acting as a catalyst to improve science, mathematics, and advanced manufacturing instruction by developing an advanced manufacturing curriculum that begins in grade 11, continues through the associate degree program, and culminates in a bachelor's degree. The curriculum covers writing, pilot testing, and publishing curriculum materials; and disseminating the curriculum, instructional materials, and model program nationally.
- The Environmental Center is a joint effort of Eastern Iowa Community College, Kirkwood Community College, Hazardous Materials Training and Research Institute (HMTRI), and Partnership for Environmental Technology Education (PETE) and involves over 500 community colleges in dissemination efforts. The Center is developing nationally validated curriculum models and instructional materials; establishing comprehensive programs of professional development; serving as a clearinghouse for environmental education information; and acting as a hub for the networking of environmental educators, business and industry, federal agencies, and professional societies.
- The Distance Education Center led by Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater involves many institutions in Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma. The project is developing the infrastructure and pedagogy to deliver many technical courses through distance learning. These include existing courses in Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacturing/Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CAD/CAM/CIM) as well as new AAS programs in polymer technology and electro-mechanical technology to complement needs of local industry. The ATE project is pioneering this model for managing distance education among separate and diverse institutions that are collaborating to share their resources and to expand opportunities available to students. Sub-projects within the Center have developed Internet and HTML-based curricular materials to enhance interactive video instruction both synchronously and asynchronously.

Besides the two new Centers, in FY 1996, the ATE program supported 34 new projects. For example:

- ◆ Edmonds Community College in Washington state is developing a ChemCore curriculum that serves as a basis for a laboratory technician program. This program integrates laboratory chemistry with five new academic courses in instrumental analysis, information technology, management, technical writing, and applied communications. Goals include development of an interdisciplinary, transferable laboratory curriculum and preparation of students with interdisciplinary knowledge, skills, and experiences required for employment as laboratory technicians.
- ◆ Springfield Technical Community College (STCC) is undertaking an ATE project in telecommunications and network engineering technology education. The project is a collaborative effort of STCC with the Universities of Connecticut and Hartford and the Springfield public schools. Its purpose is to develop an integrated curriculum, a teacher training model, and a model laboratory that meets the educational needs of the telecommunications and networking industries in the 21st century.
- ◆ Desert Research Institute in partnership with the Community College System of Nevada, Colorado Mountain College, and the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research is developing computer-interactive training modules in atmospheric technology designed to support environmental technology degree curricula at community colleges nationwide.

- ◆ Capital Community Technical College, in cooperation with the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (AMATYC) and NASA, is designing a series of activities for community and technical college students in mathematics and science based on a collection of real world technical applications from the fields of aeronautics and space.
- ◆ The Geological Society of America (GSA) is involving faculty from two-year and four-year colleges and secondary school teachers in a series of workshops which emphasize hands-on experiences in data acquisition, manipulation, and presentation technologies for the earth and space sciences. In particular, the project is exploring such technologies as Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Global Positioning Systems (GPS), multimedia, Internet, and image processing.
- ◆ The University of Cincinnati College of Applied Science and the American Chemical Society are developing a project to help provide chemistry-based technicians with the skills and education required for successful careers in laboratories and plants throughout the United States. Activities focus on facilitating the development of networked alliances for chemical technician education, developing and evaluating curriculum and instructional materials based on the voluntary industry standards for chemical technicians, and enhancing two-year college and high school teachers involved in chemical technician education.

The ATE program continues to fund projects begun in previous years. Among these are:

- ◆ Seminole Community College in Florida is developing a new and innovative curriculum for introductory college physics. The course targets students in technology courses while maintaining the rigor that makes it transferable to four-year colleges and universities. It emphasizes a hands-on approach and motivates students to see connections between physics and their chosen fields.
- ◆ Wentworth Institute of Technology in Massachusetts is creating, through joint efforts of mathematics and technical faculty, laboratory investigations using engineering laboratories and multimedia simulations that illustrate mathematical concepts.
- ◆ Prince George's Community College in Maryland is leading a consortium of 12 community colleges, each linked to a NASA Center, to conduct faculty enhancement workshops in remote sensing, image processing, and geographic information systems. They are also developing an earth systems science course and interdisciplinary modules that can be infused into science and technology courses.
- ◆ Johns Hopkins University is leading a cooperative effort which represents five different consortia of community colleges (including over 130 community colleges) to develop instructional modules in science, mathematics, manufacturing technology, and technical communications to infuse into courses that comprise a broadly accepted, portable associate's degree in manufacturing. Curriculum materials are based on Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS) competencies.
- ◆ Texas State Technical College at Waco is leading a multi-state effort to develop curricula and laboratory materials to enhance student learning in advanced technologies for 15 occupational areas supporting American machining and machine tool industries. Key goals include providing highly multi-skilled graduates, producing upgraded and new educational materials, working closely with college and industrial partners to validate competencies and materials, and preparing a national model for apprenticeships and internships.

In addition to projects which were submitted to the ATE program, several projects in other programs were co-funded by ATE. For example:

- ◆ For the five Chemistry Initiative awards, the ATE program is contributing funds to ensure that curricula developed through those awards are tested in and adapted for appropriate technical programs such as those that prepare chemical, environmental, or biomedical technicians.
- ◆ The ATE program is supporting Dickinson College in their Workshop Physics project. The methods and materials which emphasize hands-on laboratory exercises are particularly applicable to two-year college technical programs.
- ◆ The ATE program is contributing to a teacher enhancement project at Mississippi State University which is directed at student transition to the workplace through manufacturing experiences. Physics and Tech-Prep teachers are participating in a five week program that includes three weeks with Peavey Electronics Corporation and two weeks of materials development at Mississippi State.

Special projects being supported through the ATE program include:

- ◆ City Colleges of Chicago plans a national conference that supports partnerships between urban community colleges and industry to prepare urban students to enter and succeed in the workforce. The conference will involve the city mayor's office, business and industry, the Superintendent of the public schools, and Chancellor or President of the community college system in nine major cities.
- ◆ Phi Theta Kappa, the honor society for community colleges, is developing and conducting a multi-component faculty enhancement and curriculum development project to strengthen SMET education in two-year colleges. The project is accomplishing its goals through activities that stimulate and assist other community colleges to replicate effective NSF supported community college curriculum materials and faculty development projects.
- ◆ The American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) is establishing a network of physics faculty in two-year colleges that consists of 15 regional organizations, coordinated and linked by a national steering committee. The purpose is to help improve learning opportunities for students in two-year colleges including those who transfer, those who become technicians in the high-technology workplace, and all students for whom physics serves as part of their college education.
- ◆ The American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) is coordinating a series of activities including (a) a Round Table of national leaders to develop recommendations regarding SMET education in two-year colleges to be published as an AACC monograph, (b) a National Videoconference *Leading the Nation: Innovation in Two-Year College Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and Technology Programs*, and (c) a yearly meeting of persons interested in advanced technological education including all the principal investigators of ATE projects.

The projected national impact of the ATE program is large, especially that of the eight Centers and large curriculum and faculty enhancement awards. The Northwest Center for Emerging Technologies (NWCET) estimates that it will affect, during a five year period, over 5,000 college students, 350 faculty and high school teachers, and 2,700 high school students. The Environmental Center estimates that in the first three years of its award, it will directly impact 300 community college teachers, 300 secondary school teachers, and 5,500 students. The Maricopa Community College District estimates that it will directly impact 360 college faculty, 430 secondary school teachers, 2,500 college students,

and 6,000 high school students directly in the program with many more affected from secondary efforts in mathematics and science. The South Carolina Technical/Community College Center in engineering technology is affecting 500 college faculty, 500 high school teachers, 5,000 college students, and 5,000 high school students.

The largest projects are developing and testing curriculum nationwide or are engaged in faculty enhancement activities. For example, the Miami University Middletown project plans to affect 600 secondary school teachers and college faculty in faculty enhancement workshops and 20 in curriculum development efforts. Assuming each teacher or faculty member directly impacts 100 chemistry or chemical technology students per year, this will result in 60,000 students being ultimately impacted by the project.

**TABLE 6**

**Projected Impact of the FY 1996 Grants in the ATE Program**

1st Year Impact (36 new awards):	<u>2,160</u> Teachers/ Faculty	<u>216,000</u> Students
3-Year Impact (36 new awards):	<u>6,480</u> Teachers/ Faculty	<u>648,000</u> Students
FY 1996 Impact of all ATE Awards Active in FY 1996: (105 active awards + 9 special active projects)		
	<u>6,840</u> Teachers/Faculty	<u>684,000</u> Students
3-Year Impact of FY 1994-96 ATE Projects (234 awards*)		
	<u>14,040</u> Teachers/Faculty	<u>1,404,000</u> Students

\* 58 FY 1994 awards, 71 awards active in FY 1995, and 105 awards active in FY 1996

This table assumes that each project funded in FY 1996 or before will impact an average of 60 teachers or faculty members and that each teacher or faculty member will directly impact 100 students. As can be seen by numbers in preceding section estimated by projects, this is a conservative estimate.

Monitoring of the ATE program is multifaceted. It includes National Advisory Boards and National Visiting Committees; site visits by program directors and contractors; monitoring and technical assistance through a contract to WestEd; yearly ATE Principal Investigators' meetings; annual reports, final reports, and other self-reporting mechanisms. Among the strengths of the ATE projects often reported are:

- (a) creative approaches to education that involve students and faculty in hands-on activities that reflect real-world problems;
- (b) faithfulness to the ATE program in preparing students for high technology positions, particularly through interactions with business and industry; and
- (c) significant regard to articulation between secondary schools and two- and four-year institutions.

Evaluators of projects are reporting numbers that meet or exceed expectations. For example:

- The Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory, which is conducting the evaluation of the Mt. Hood Community College (MHCC) mathematics project, reports that the textbook produced by the project and published by Saunders College Publishing, *Interactive Mathematics III* is being used a) in 23 sections at MHCC by 11 different instructors and will reach 805 students and (b) in 42 sections at 18 other community colleges and one high school and will reach approximately 1500 students.
- The Eastern Iowa Advanced Technological Environmental Education Center (ATEEC) evaluator reports that in FY 1996:
  - a) 38 teachers and faculty from 21 states participated in an intensive two week summer institute,
  - b) over 600 college and high school educators and environmental practitioners attended six regional two to three-day workshops,
  - c) over 6,500 newsletters were published and disseminated,
  - d) over 100 models of curriculum materials in environmental education were collected. Nineteen were placed on Websites. Over 58 institutions have reported they have accessed and used these sites,
  - e) 30 business and industry leaders participated in a three-day workshop to help define environmental technician needs and skills, and
  - f) over 4,200 copies of *Partnering to Build a Quality Workforce* report were distributed.
- California State Hayward reports on the Faculty and Teacher Enhancement survey form that for the 1996 summer workshop 83 teachers applied for 48 slots and 50 attended. These are intensive workshops involving 10 days each summer for two summers plus 6 days during each academic year. Other teachers and faculty are involved in presenting workshops and seminars.

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**CHAPTER IV  
DIRECTORATE FOR  
EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES**

***Introduction***

The Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) is responsible for the health and continued vitality of the Nation's science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education and providing leadership in the effort to improve education in these areas. Within EHR, seven divisions, Undergraduate Education (DUE), Graduate Education (DGE), Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR), Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education (ESIE), Educational System Reform (ESR), Human Resource Development (HRD) and Research, Evaluation, and Communication (REC) are the focal points for these efforts. Many of these divisions directly support efforts in two-year colleges.

**Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE)**

Faculty members who vigorously combine teaching with scholarship are essential to the creation of vital science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) education. The Foundation seeks to provide incentives and rewards to stimulate and motivate faculty members so that creative teaching and instructional scholarship become a part of the "faculty culture" at all institutions. Faculty members who are primarily teachers need opportunities to deepen their knowledge as well as opportunities to work in the creative renewal of undergraduate courses, curricula, and laboratories.

DUE provided direct support to two-year colleges in FY 1996 through the following programs:

- **Advanced Technological Education (ATE)** for the development of courses, curricula, and faculty and teacher preparation and enhancement to improve the quality of education for science and engineering technicians;
- **Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement (ILI)** for the development of new or improved laboratory courses or experiments;
- **Course and Curriculum Development (CCD)** for projects to improve the quality of courses and curricula;
- **Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement (UFE)** to enable faculty members to learn about new techniques and developments in their fields; and
- **Institution-wide Reform (IR)** to encourage colleges and universities that have begun to develop innovative curricula and courses to capitalize on these investments and convert successful innovation into pervasive institutional reform that will benefit all students.

The next several sections of this report exhibit DUE support through those programs.

Table 7

**DIVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION GRANTS  
TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGES BY PROGRAM  
FY 1996**

<u>Program</u>	<u>Number of Awards</u>	<u>Dollars (in \$1000)</u>
ILI	62	2,209
CCD	6	1,111
UFE	9	1,015
ATE	42	15,533
IR	6	1,050
Other	4	266
<b>Totals</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>\$21,184</b>

Table 8

**DIVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION  
NUMBER OF GRANTS TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGES  
BY PROGRAM FY 1990 - FY 1996**

<u>Program</u>	<u>FY 1990</u>	<u>FY 1991</u>	<u>FY 1992</u>	<u>FY 1993</u>	<u>FY 1994</u>	<u>FY 1995</u>	<u>FY 1996</u>
ILI	48	54	53	63	60	57	62
CCD	1	8	12	17	14	13	6
UFE	1	2	8	13	13	11	9
ATE	-	-	-	-	37	42	42
IR	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Other	0	0	0	0	2	3	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>129</b>

DUE also provided support through consortia activities involving two-year colleges in such programs as the NSF Collaboratives for Excellence in Teacher Preparation, Systemic Changes in the Chemistry Curriculum, and Mathematical Sciences and Their Applications Throughout the Curriculum. In addition, several awards were made through UFE and CCD to four-year institutions which were designed primarily to support two-year college curriculum development or faculty enhancement. For example:

- The NSF Collaboratives for Excellence in Teacher Preparation program involves two-year colleges in collaborative activities with four-year colleges and universities. Two-year colleges serve

both (a) students who are part of the future K –12 teaching workforce and (b) returning students with undergraduate degrees who lack the mathematics and science needed for certification. Two-year colleges are involved in all Collaboratives. For example, two-year colleges play a major role in the Collaborative award to Montana State University. Six two-year tribal colleges are among the twelve participating institutions of higher education in the state. The primary focus of the Montana Collaborative is to increase the number of Native Americans in the nation's teaching workforce who are well-educated in science and mathematics. This Collaborative recognizes that two-year colleges are vital to this effort. In 1994, 14 of the 42 students who received NSF scholarship support in Montana were attending tribal, two-year colleges. The Rocky Mountain, Dominguez Hills, and Arizona State Collaboratives also involve two-year colleges in substantive ways. In several cases community college faculty are co-principal investigators or are taking other leadership roles in the projects. Faculty from both two-year and four-year institutions are addressing reform in chemistry, mathematics, and diversity initiatives. For example, in the Rocky Mountain Collaborative the Community College of Denver is experimenting with tandem arrangements in chemistry and mathematics courses to enable students to take these courses as a cohort group and organize cooperative study groups.

- Two-year colleges were involved in all of the awards made in the newly initiated **Systemic Changes in the Chemistry Curriculum**. For example, CUNY City College and partner community colleges in New York City have a project to redesign and modernize the undergraduate chemistry curriculum which focuses on a new teaching model - *Workshop Chemistry*. The University of Wisconsin-Madison and Madison Area Technical College through the *New Traditions Project* are impacting the chemistry curriculum and technician education by innovations in several areas: student-focused active learning; inquiry-based, open-ended laboratories; interdisciplinary courses; topic oriented curriculum; and information technology/computer tools. The *ChemLinks* project centered at Beloit College is actively involving the Advanced Technology Environmental Education Center (ATEEC) as well as other two-year colleges in a project that is working closely with the *Modular Chemistry Consortium* project that includes the University of California-Berkeley and 17 other two- and four-year colleges and universities. These two groups are developing modules that present chemistry in the context of real-world problems. By involving many two-year colleges, these projects are having an impact on chemistry courses taken by students in transfer programs as well as those in two-year technical programs.
- In the **Mathematical Sciences and Their Applications Throughout the Curriculum** program most projects also involve two-year colleges in major ways. For example, *Project Inter-Math* led by COMAP and the United States Military Academy involves two-year colleges such as Austin Community College, liberal arts colleges, engineering schools, historically black colleges, and research universities. The project's vision is to establish environments conducive to interdisciplinary cooperation for designing and presenting instruction in all partner disciplines. Teams at each institution consist of faculty from several disciplines who collaborate to develop course materials entitled *Interdisciplinary Lively Applications*. These projects are being used as a vehicle to move from disconnected mathematics courses to a fully integrated undergraduate experience. The Chair of their National Visiting Committee is from a two-year college. In the *Long Island Consortium for Mathematical Sciences Throughout the Curriculum*, faculty from 10 colleges, including Nassau and Suffolk Community Colleges, are designing a comprehensive, multifaceted project to develop an environment for interconnected learning in mathematics courses and in mathematically based disciplines. Regional connectivity of different types of institutions joins energized faculty for substantive change in modes of instruction, course content, educational technology, and coordination of instruction across departments.

- DUE also supported several universities and colleges to work with two-year college faculty in curriculum development or faculty enhancement. For example, the Biological Sciences Curriculum Study (BSCS) group is conceptualizing, writing, testing, and evaluating a set of innovative curriculum materials. This project entitled *A New Model for Introductory Biology at Two-Year and Community Colleges* has 15 partners including biology faculty at eight community colleges, the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), the two-year section of the National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT), the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (AMATYC), and the college division of Kendall/Hunt. The program is designed to help students understand basic unifying principles of biology, develop fundamental skills of critical thinking and scientific reasoning, and recognize applications of science. As another example, the University of California at Davis has a project entitled *Introduction to Molecular Biology and Molecular Diagnostics: Continuing Education for Community College Science Faculty* to offer workshops for faculty as well as internships and research experiences.

### **Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement (ILI)**

The Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement (ILI) program supports the development of new or improved laboratory courses or experiments in science, mathematics, engineering, or technology. The dominant part of the program is Instrumentation Projects (ILI-IP) which provide matching grants for equipment to carry out a proposed project. These projects then serve as models for the use of instrumentation at other institutions. Grants in the ILI program have been made to about 300 departments in two-year colleges over the past six years (See Tables 9 and 10). Examples include:

- Panola College in Carthage, Texas, has created a computer laboratory that encourages active student learning and greatly increases the students' appreciation for, and understanding of, concepts of motion and energy in physics courses.
- A similar laboratory at College of the Redwoods in Eureka, California, is using Calculator-Based Laboratory units which allow students to better relate physics concepts to their everyday lives.
- At the Community College of Finger Lakes in New York, computer laboratories are being used to integrate real-world interdisciplinary activities into targeted mathematics and science courses. This project helps students to recognize problem solving scenarios in their own lives, gives students the opportunity to solve problems using multiple disciplinary approaches, and makes students more comfortable using technology to take and interpret data. A similar project integrates calculators into the mathematics classroom in a consortium of two-year schools in Kentucky, Florida, and Georgia.
- Students in a Chemical Technology Program at Brazosport College in Lake Jackson, Texas are being provided with innovative experiences in analytical techniques which make extensive use of computerized controlled lab processes. These training opportunities are particularly useful to students who are interested in, or employed in, the local petrochemical industry.
- At Trident Technical College in Charleston, South Carolina, students are learning to use a robotic system to synthesize conventional welding theory and skills training with automated applications. Students undertake a project in which they collaborate in manufacturing teams to develop and manufacture a product.

- An award to Walters State Community College, Morristown, Tennessee creates a Mathematics Computer Laboratory. Through this project a networked computer lab dedicated to college level mathematics courses is being established. The computers have enabled students to explore functional behavior, visualize, and program numerical techniques. Using the computer laboratory, any student may surf the Internet or use personal e-mail. A new course, Math for Elementary Teachers, will be taught for pre-service teachers. The lab will also be used for Internet training of middle and high school mathematics teachers in a one day workshop funded by the Eisenhower Regional Consortium for Mathematics and Science Education.

The Leadership in Laboratory Development projects (ILI-LLD) portion of the program supports the intellectual effort needed to develop national models for undergraduate laboratory instruction. The ILI-LLD supports project costs beyond equipment. For example, Harrisburg Community College is developing an interdisciplinary quantitative and scientific reasoning course, along with a textbook and other accompanying instructional materials. In this laboratory oriented course, students analyze data that they themselves collect to determine both the scientific principles it illustrates and the properties of the types of functions it represents.

**Table 9**  
**ILI Funding to Two-Year Institutions**  
**by Discipline: FY 1996**

Discipline	# of Awards	Dollars (in thousands)
Chemistry	18	372
Computer Science	1	58
Engineering	10	534
Geosciences	1	77
Interdisciplinary	2	85
Life Sciences	10	366
Mathematics	9	431
Physics	8	167
Social Sciences	1	30
<b>Total for Instrumentation Projects</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>\$2,120</b>
Leadership in Laboratory Development		
Mathematics	1	86
<b>Total for Program</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>\$2,206</b>

**Table 10**  
**ILI Proposal Activity By Type of Institution**  
**FY 1993 - FY 1996**

	<b>FY 1993</b>		<b>FY 1994</b>		<b>FY 1995</b>		<b>FY 1996</b>	
	<u># Proposals</u>	<u>Awards Funding Rate</u>						
<b>Doctoral Institution</b>	970	170 17%	666	164 25%	629	145 23%	552	175 32%
<b>Four-Year Institution</b>	1022	337 33%	907	334 37%	839	294 35%	850	264 31%
<b>Two-Year Institution</b>	204	63 31%	200	59 30%	178	57 32%	190	61 33%
<b>Totals</b>	2196	570 26%	1773	557 31%	1646	496 30%	1592	500 31%

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## *Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement (UFE)*

The Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement (UFE) program supports projects that enable faculty members who teach undergraduate courses to gain experience with recent advances and new experimental techniques in their fields and learn new ways to incorporate these into undergraduate instruction. Projects are regional or national in scope and typically consist of hands-on workshops or short courses, along with follow-up activities. For example, the Mathematical Association of America is sponsoring a series of national workshops designed for mathematicians who teach statistics. Workshops goals include increasing emphasis on data and concepts, cultivating statistical thinking, and fostering active learning through alternatives to lecturing. The co-principal investigator is from Austin Community College and the principal investigator is from Mount Holyoke College.

UFE workshops are often held on two-year campuses as well as four-year college and university campuses to encourage collaboration of faculty from many types of institutions. From 1996, examples include:

- A workshop for dissemination of the calculus reform projects organized by the Mathematical Association of America and Macalester College was held at Houston Community College.
- A continuing set of workshops led by principal investigators from Joliet Junior College, Joliet, Illinois and Lee College, in Baytown, Texas has introduced several hundred two-year college physics teachers to innovative ideas in pedagogy and best practices developed with a strong physics education research base. A second round of workshops held at two-year colleges across the nation, has helped to develop a national network of two-year college physics teachers and will result in several written products based on local curriculum reform efforts which are being collected and edited into a single book.

A major component of UFE is regional coalitions of two- and four-year colleges and universities. FY 1996 represents the fifth year of the initiative to encourage such coalitions. The coalitions include activities to help faculty learn about new advances in their disciplines and to incorporate these developments into the curriculum. Continuing activities are very important to ensure interaction among coalition members. For that reason, coalitions are usually funded for a period of two to three years. These include coalitions of two-year institutions, coalitions of two- and four-year institutions, or projects at four-year institutions primarily for two-year faculty. For example:

- Truckee Meadows Community College and the University of Nevada Reno are introducing undergraduate college faculty in Nevada to the reform of business calculus using materials developed by the NSF Harvard Calculus Consortium.
- New Hampshire Technical College is leading a consortium of two- and four-year colleges and universities in New England in the exploration of how physics lessons can be developed and shared over the World Wide Web. Physics students from across New England access the Web to explore problem sets, view digitized images, share data in joint experiments, and take part in many other activities that foster interaction between physics learning communities.

Community college faculty also attend many of the other workshops supported by the UFE program. Table 11 estimates the number of faculty who attended faculty enhancement workshops.

**Table 11**  
**INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION**  
**OF PARTICIPANTS IN UFE-SUPPORTED WORKSHOPS**  
**FY 1993 - FY 1996**

	FY 1993 66% Reporting		FY 1994 94% Reporting		FY 1995 92% Reporting		FY 1996 95% Reporting	
Colleges	Number	% Total						
Two-Year	427	24%	698	32%	703	29%	598	23%
Four-Year	547	30%	623	29%	717	30%	1500	59%
Universities	859	46%	829	39%	969	41%	450	18%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1833</b>		<b>2150</b>		<b>2389</b>		<b>2548</b>	

### Course and Curriculum Development (CCD)

The Course and Curriculum Development program supports projects to improve the quality of courses and curricula in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology. It encompasses activities affecting the learning environment, content, and experience of instruction. This component seeks projects that envision major changes with potential national impact that result in widely disseminated products such as textbooks, software, and teaching materials. For example, The State University of New York (SUNY) is setting up the "Beta Coalition," a regional collaboration between two- and four-year institutions in the state of New York. The goal is to adapt best practices from the NSF Engineering Education Coalitions to make them compatible with the resources available at two-year and smaller four-year colleges. The focus will be on multi-disciplinary, integrated courses in the freshman and sophomore years. SUNY Binghamton and Broome Community College will lead the effort which combines faculty workshops with curriculum "adapt and adopt" implementations.

The CCD initiative on **Institution-Wide Reform (IR)** of Undergraduate Education in Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and Technology supports projects to stimulate reform of SMET education for all students and to provide national models of excellence. It is intended that visionary, comprehensive plans based on successful and significant accomplishments will catalyze modifications in the institutional culture and infrastructure that are prerequisite to systemic reform. Awards are intended to motivate changes in priorities and the allocation of resources so that institutions may produce self-supporting reform initiatives. Working as partners, faculty, students, and administrators at institutions are striving to prepare literate citizens; outstanding scientists, mathematicians, engineers, and technicians; a technically sophisticated workforce; and enthusiastic and creative teachers well grounded in content and pedagogy. In the first year of operation, community and other associate degree granting institutions received six of the 23 awards. In Illinois, Oakton Community College faculty and administrators are developing a team approach to examine, revise, identify, and develop objectives, resources, activities, teaching strategies, and assessment tools for core courses in chemistry, biology, and

mathematics. The Community College of Philadelphia is implementing a new undergraduate curriculum entitled *Culture, Science, and Technology*. To implement this curriculum, a group of faculty are identifying common themes, curricular materials, and pedagogical methods that enhance students' understanding of the interactive and complex relationship between culture and technology. Wake Technical College in North Carolina is expanding its integrated curriculum and capstone project currently required in three engineering technology programs to 27 technology programs. Using a team approach, mathematics, engineering technology, science, and communications are linked for students early in their college education. Later, students working in interdisciplinary teams complete and present an applications-oriented capstone project.

While the calculus program has been phased out as a separate entity, several two-year colleges have funding in FY 1996 to complete their projects. The purpose of the **Calculus Program** was to foster improvement in the quality of calculus instruction on the national level. Supported projects include large-scale calculus revision programs, implementation at large institutions or by consortia of institutions, new calculus development projects, and preparation for calculus projects. For example, a consortium of two- and four-year institutions in the State of Washington continues to disseminate and adapt, as well as evaluate, the use of both the Duke and Harvard materials throughout the state. North Harris, San Jacinto Central, and Tomball Community Colleges are partnering with Sam Houston State University to create a network of 28 community colleges and comprehensive universities to reform their calculus curriculum. Colleges are using student activities and customized instructional methods from other calculus reform efforts. The methods integrate cooperative learning, graphing technology, and writing. Workshops are being conducted to involve other institutions outside the consortium and additional faculty members within the consortium. Many community colleges are being affected by other calculus reform efforts. SUNY Suffolk Community College is part of the Harvard Calculus Consortium. In addition, many two-year colleges have adopted the reform calculus texts supported through the NSF Calculus Program.

## **Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education (ESIE)**

The Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education (ESIE) supports programs designed to improve the educational experiences of all students in school settings and to increase and improve the opportunities for all individuals to explore science, mathematics, and technology beyond the school setting. The Division achieves these goals by supporting projects to develop and implement high-quality instructional materials and assessments; enhance the mathematical, scientific, pedagogical, and technological knowledge of teachers and create a cadre of teacher change-agents; and to provide stimulating environments outside of school to increase the understanding and appreciation of science and mathematics and their applications by individuals of all ages.

The ESIE Division directly supported two-year colleges in FY 1996 through the following programs:

- **Advanced Technological Education (ATE)** for the development of courses, curricula, and faculty and teacher development to improve the quality of the education for science and engineering technicians.
- **Teacher Enhancement (TE)** for professional development programs that lead to a new level of teacher competence and a supportive school culture that empowers teachers to engage all students in science, mathematics, and technology education.
- **Young Scholars (YS)** to excite students in grades 7 - 12 about science, mathematics, and technology and to encourage them to investigate and pursue careers in these fields.

- **Local Systemic Change (LSC) Projects Through Teacher Enhancement Grades K - 8** for school systems with their partners to initiate efforts that will result in K - 8 teachers making significant progress towards reaching national goals for the teaching of mathematics and science education.
- **Local Systemic Change in Mathematics (LSCM) Through Teacher Enhancement in Grades 7 - 12** to initiate systemic efforts that will result in grades 7 - 12 teachers making significant progress towards reaching national goals for the teaching of mathematics.

Table 12 shows ESIE support to Two-Year colleges by program.

<b>Program</b>	<b># Awards</b>	<b>FY 1994</b>	<b># Awards</b>	<b>FY 1995</b>	<b># Awards</b>	<b>FY 1996</b>
TE	6	\$1,058	3	\$1,475	3	\$892
YS	8	430	9	430	3	204
ATE	13	4,479	21	6,970	21	7,767
LSC	-	-	-	-	1	903
LSCM	-	-	-	-	1	382
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>\$5,967</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>\$8,875</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>\$10,148</b>
Estimated Outyear Totals		\$13,000		\$17,000		\$18,000

### **Teacher Enhancement (TE)**

All teachers must continue professional development and renew career commitments. Well-prepared teachers need to engage in activities that enrich and strengthen their teaching; to influence and improve the teaching of their colleagues; and to be recognized for their efforts. Teacher Enhancement (TE) supports development of effective approaches and creative materials for the continuing education of elementary, middle, and secondary teachers of science, mathematics, and technology. Successful projects emphasize both content and pedagogy, help teachers develop and exercise leadership qualities, and provide opportunities for continuing professional growth and interaction. Projects typically involve

intensive summer workshops followed by activities during the academic year. For example, the two-year campus of Miami University at Middletown is cultivating district systemic implementation of physical science education. Teams of teachers and administrators participate in summer workshops which include working directly with students. Academic year follow-up includes fall and spring sessions where participants report on activities and exchange information.

### **Young Scholars (YS)**

Commitment and preparation for careers in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology, or education in these fields begin during secondary school years. The Young Scholars (YS) Program, which targeted high-potential and high-ability youth in grades 7 - 12, was designed to inform and excite students about these disciplines and to encourage them to investigate careers in these fields. The YS program strongly emphasized student participation in the process of scientific discovery through interaction with practicing scientists and science educators both in the laboratory and in the field. Projects offered a combination of instruction, research, and problem-solving activities along with a discussion of career preparation and science ethics. For example, Atlanta Metropolitan College's Young Scholar project in chemistry and mathematics for students in grades 7 and 8 included classroom discussions, laboratories, and field experiences stemming from the investigation of the chemistry of the environment.

(The Young Scholars Program has been replaced by the Teachers and Student Development Through Research Experiences program.)

### **Local Systemic Change Project K - 8 (LSC) and Local Systemic Change Mathematics 7 - 12 (LSCM)**

**The Local Systemic Change (LSC) Projects Through Teacher Enhancement Grades K - 8** allows school systems with their partners to initiate efforts that will result in K - 8 teachers making significant progress towards reaching national goals for the teaching of mathematics, science, and technology education. Projects which align policy and practice include (a) a shared vision of science, mathematics, and technology education, which includes goals and objectives for student learning, and incorporates national and state standards for curriculum, teaching practice, and assessment; (b) active partnerships and commitments among stakeholders; (c) a detailed self-study that provides a realistic assessment of the current system's strengths and needs; (d) strategic planning that incorporates mechanisms for engaging each teacher in intensive professional development activities; and (e) a set of clearly defined, measurable objectives and an evaluation plan that provides on-going feedback for the project.

**The Local Systemic Change Through Teacher Enhancement in Mathematics Grades 7 - 12 (LSCM)** is designed to initiate systemic efforts that will result in grades 7 - 12 teachers making significant progress towards reaching national goals for the teaching of mathematics. For example, the Maricopa Community College District is implementing the Interactive Mathematics Program (IMP) through the use of seven integrated components: in-service enhancement on the mathematics and pedagogy of IMP; follow-up support activities, internal capacity for professional development; school teams for support of teachers; teachers from schools considering IMP; articulation with feeder schools; and impact on pre-service teacher training. The project led by Maricopa involves mathematics teachers in grades 9 - 12, Arizona State University, and the Intel Corporation.

## Division of Human Resource Development (HRD)

The programs in the Division of Human Resource Development (HRD) reflect the Foundation's commitment to developing the resources of the scientific and technical community as a whole. The Division has primary responsibility for broadening participation of individuals from groups underrepresented in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET). The Division operates and coordinates a range of programs that focus on increasing the presence of minorities, women and girls, and persons with disabilities in SMET.

### *Alliances for Minority Participation (AMP)*

The Alliances for Minority Participation (AMP) program is a comprehensive and multidisciplinary undergraduate program designed to increase significantly both the quality and the number of baccalaureate degrees in SMET disciplines earned by groups who are underrepresented in these fields.

The AMP projects administered through cooperative agreements in partnership with NSF contain each alliance's goal (the current number of minorities obtaining BS degrees in SMET and the alliance's five year goal) and specific work statements that describe how the alliance will achieve its goal. Institutions participating in AMP are committed to better serve all SMET students today and to institutionalize changes that will ensure that all students have access to quality SMET educational opportunities.

Alliances establish partnerships among community and other two-year colleges, four-year colleges and universities, school systems, other government agencies, major National SMET laboratories and Centers, industry, private foundations, and SMET professional organizations as necessary to achieve AMP objectives. Two-year colleges are involved in virtually every AMP project in significant ways.

For example, the Philadelphia Alliance includes seven diverse four-year colleges and universities and the Community College of Philadelphia. A critical component of the Alliance's developing strategy on articulation is that support for student transfer must transcend simple articulation agreements. The support systems of the community college and the four-year receiving institution are being integrated so as to make the transition truly seamless from the student's point of view. A new strategy which is being implemented allows students to make the transition gradually through concurrent enrollment. Most significantly, the Alliance's concurrent enrollment programs are structured, rather than simply allowing community college students to "sample" courses at four-year institutions.

Another example is the New York City Alliance, a coalition of 16 colleges within the City University of New York (CUNY) which share a five-year goal of doubling the number of underrepresented minority students earning BA degrees in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology. The project is leading a change in the teaching of mathematics and science, especially at the introductory level. The new approach emphasizes problem-solving and collaborative learning. Alliance initiatives are improving the articulation between community and senior colleges. The coalition includes seven community colleges, eight senior colleges, and one technical college. One of the four project directors is from Bronx Community College.

Eighteen campuses of the California State University (CSU) system are each paired with a feeder two-year college member of the state community college system. One focus of the alliance is a sequence of supplemental workshops to which a group of minority students are asked to make a commitment. In the

summer before their freshman year students take a four-week summer workshop focusing on entry-level mathematics courses followed by a year long workshop which parallels and supplements the students' freshman year courses in mathematics. In the second year, students attend another four-week summer workshop which focuses on physics, chemistry, or biology combined with appropriate mathematics. The second workshop is followed by a year long workshop focusing on science. All workshops are located on one of the CSU campuses, but academic year activities take place at both the CSU campuses and the community college locations.

Texas A&M leads the Texas AMP. This alliance helps remove obstructions that minority students face at four year institutions and creates a pipeline between community colleges and four-year institutions. Active and lead AMP institutions include five four-year institutions and many community colleges. Two activities which specifically promote the pipeline between community colleges and four-year institutions are the Trans-Texas Videoconference Network and the Office of Transfer and Articulations. In addition, two-year college students are recruited for industry internships.

Alliance for the American Indians has developed and implemented innovative programs with input from both the Indian community and the SMET community to enhance matriculation of the American Indians at three critical transition points, two of which involve community colleges: (1) high school to tribal, community and four-year college, (2) tribal, and community two-year college to four-year, and (3) four-year institutions to doctoral-granting programs in SMET fields. The two lead institutions are Salish Kootenai College (SKC), a tribal college, and Montana State University, a SMET baccalaureate and doctoral degree granting institution.

By the end of the 1997 spring semester, students who started as first year students in the eleven AMPs in 1992 and 1993 will be completing their fourth year of study.

### ***Other HRD Support***

In addition to the AMP program, HRD directly supported two-year colleges through the **Model Institutions for Excellence, Model Projects for Women and Girls, Model Projects for Persons with Disabilities, and Comprehensive Partnerships for Mathematics and Science Achievement.**

The **Model Institutions for Excellence (MIE)** initiative offers an opportunity for Oyate Tribal colleges and their 26 tribal counterparts to reach underrepresented American Indian students and to bring academic and technical expertise to tribal nations in ways that may make the difference between extinction and tribal self-sufficiency. In this program, Cheyenne River, Standing Rock, and Sisseton Wahpeton Community Colleges are joining with Oglala Lakota College and Sinte Gleska University to develop programs in environmental science and software engineering.

The **EHR Model Projects for Women and Girls** seeks to encourage the design and implementation of innovative, short term, and highly focused activities, strategies, and materials to improve educational achievement and to encourage entry and improvement of women and girls into SMET fields. For example, Maricopa Community College is focusing on activities that increase students', faculty, and counselors' understanding of the relationships between gender and the study of science. The project is increasing the completion success rate of female community college students enrolled in science courses, developing new instructional approaches to better prepare females for upper division study and careers involving scientific research, and increasing the number of female students enrolled in science courses by helping them make informed career choices and better course selection decisions. Miami-Dade Community College is involving teams of mathematics and English faculty to determine how writing used to develop, construct, and express mathematical understanding affects female achievement in, and attitude towards, their college and middle school mathematics classes. This, along with mentoring and

career counseling, is helping middle and community college females become more interested in mathematics and science careers.

The **Model Projects for Persons with Disabilities** promotes the development and dissemination of innovative intervention strategies that reduce the barriers that inhibit the interest, retention, and advancement of students with disabilities in science, engineering, and mathematics education and career tracks. For example, Linn-Benton Community College in Oregon is developing an interface needed to optimize the use of ASTER and related audio-formatting programs for students with learning disabilities. The innovative computer program, ASTER, initially developed to present mathematics equations in an audio format for students with visual disabilities is now being tested for students with other learning disabilities.

The **Comprehensive Partnerships for Mathematics and Science Achievement (CPMSA)** forges alliances for systemic reform. This program supports school systems with significant minority populations to create partnerships that improve access to science and mathematics education for minority students in grades pre-K through 12. For example, Prince George's Community College in Maryland is cooperating with the Board of Education of Prince George's County to provide direct services to the community. The program *Communities Committed to Children* allows 20 school communities and clusters to take ownership of thousands of students enrolled in a feeder pattern involving elementary, middle, and high school as well as the community college. Parents and school improvement teams serve as part of the decision-making process.

## Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communication (REC)

The **Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communication (REC)** supported two-year colleges through the **Networking Infrastructure for Education (NIE)** program and the **Studies and Indicators** program. Two-year programs continued to receive support in FY 1996 from the following programs although there have been substantial changes to the programs themselves.

### *Networking Infrastructure for Education (NIE)*

The **Networking Infrastructure for Education (NIE)** Program was designed to build synergy among technology and education researchers. The NIE program was a joint effort between the Directorates for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) and Education and Human Resources (EHR). The aims of the NIE Program were to expedite the development of a widespread high performance electronic communications infrastructure in support of science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) education reform, and to lay a foundation on which strategies for the appropriate use of technology in support of increased student achievement could be developed. The NIE awards built synergy between technology and education researchers, developers, and implementers to explore networking costs and benefits, tested self-sustaining strategies, and developed models of a flexible educational networking infrastructure to speed the pace of educational innovation and reform.

The NIE Program supported projects in the areas of: (a) programmatic evaluation of the impact of existing technology programs on the infrastructure of education, and on systemic reform; (b) widespread dissemination to appropriate audiences of the outcomes of existing models both successful and unsuccessful; and (c) electronic library implementation prototypes. Many projects funded by NIE included collaborations of groups interested in mathematics and science education. Two-year colleges were often represented on such teams and participated through advisory committees and dissemination

and outreach activities. For example, the New Jersey NIE project worked with community colleges in collaboration with the NJ Statewide Systemic Initiative. The University of Hawaii trained faculty from community colleges. They provided the mechanisms through which community colleges worked with K - 12 faculty to articulate common educational goals and concerns.

In several projects, two-year colleges were the lead institutions. For example, NIE provided support for the initial implementation phases of the Navajo Learning Network (NLN) based at Navajo Community College (NCC), a four-part project with the overall objective of establishing a single virtual campus linking all educational institutions within the Navajo Nation. Teaching, research, and curriculum development activities were carried out collaboratively by K - 12 as well as NCC faculty and students. A base level of connectivity between participating institutions was accomplished utilizing the wide-area network developed by the Navajo Nation government that connected participating Navajo Nation K - 12 schools to Navajo Community College's system and out to the Internet. The NLN project team, together with trainers from the Los Alamos National Laboratory, provided training both on NLN and Internet access, and worked closely with NCC and K - 12 faculty to develop effective strategies for utilizing information technology as a teaching and learning tool in a way that is sensitive to the learning styles prevalent among Navajo schoolchildren. The planned information technology upgrade was necessary to provide expanded education and support services to the entire NCC campus system, and ultimately to all residents of the Navajo Nation, an area of approximately the size of West Virginia (25,000 square miles), covering portions of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah. Currently, over 200,000 Navajos live on or near the reservation.

### ***Studies and Indicators (SI)***

The **Studies and Indicators** program, now a part of the Research on Education, Policy, and Practices (REPP) program, sponsored research on significant factors, trends, and practices that assist the Foundation and other agencies and organizations to strengthen science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education. Priorities focused on five broad policy areas: (a) participation in science, (b) teacher supply and qualifications, (c) instructional and school practices, (d) educational reform, and (e) the role of science and mathematics skills in the workforce. For example, Indian River Community College in Florida identified sets of core competencies and skills in mathematics, science, engineering, and technology that are required by industries that hire two-year college graduates with technical degrees. The project investigated five technology based industries, interviewed technicians and their supervisors, and produced research papers on the integration of the community college curriculum with industrial needs.

## **Division of Educational System Reform (ESR)**

The **Division of Educational System Reform (ESR)** supports the statewide, urban, and rural systemic initiatives. Community colleges are involved, as appropriate, in numerous state and urban systemic initiatives; the focus of these programs is to improve science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education for grades pre-K through 12. The Rural Systemic Initiatives (RSI) involve community colleges in substantive ways.

## **Rural Systemic Initiatives (RSI)**

The goal of the **Rural Systemic Initiatives** in Science, Mathematics, and Technology Education Program (RSI) is to promote systemic improvements in science, mathematics, and technology education for students in rural, economically disadvantaged regions of the nation and to ensure sustainability of these improvements by encouraging community development in conjunction with instructional and policy reform. In addition, programs should help prepare a technologically competent workforce to enhance the infrastructure of economic development activities within a community or region by strengthening the science, mathematics, engineering, and technology instructional capacities of regional colleges and universities, particularly community and technical colleges responsible for technician education. Programs also strengthen other lower division instruction of technical curricula and entry-level science and mathematics curricula of the future teaching workforce. These collaborations extend across K - 12 school systems and into institutions of higher education. Each of the RSI projects includes participation of two-year colleges and other institutions which award associate degrees.

The RSI program continued four development awards and two planning grants began in FY 1994 and four implementation phase grants began in FY 1995.

The collaboratives which include two year college representation are geographically and intellectually related networks established to address local challenges, goals, and commitments. The collaboratives are located at regional institutions of higher education, and serve as conduits of information and expertise between the students and the outside world. For example:

- The **High Plains Rural Systemic Initiative (HPRSI)** brings together 17 American Indian tribal colleges and other entities involved in science, mathematics, engineering, and technical education in Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming. The initial implementation activities began at colleges that serve six reservation areas. These locations have Internet access, interactive video, and up-down link satellite transmission. HPRSI directs capacity building at the other colleges, and has implementation activities instituted at all 17 sites. This initiative is seeking to identify and coordinate efforts to remove impediments for exemplary student performance in SMET education among American Indians.
- The **Appalachian Rural Systemic Initiative (ARSI)** is a collaborative implementation initiative among six states (Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia) comprising the central Appalachian region. ARSI facilitates site-based management and educational systemic reform by establishing "Resource Collaboratives." The coalition is directing, facilitating, and organizing a series of activities designed to determine needs and strategies for systemic educational reform in a geographically challenged and economically depressed area.

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***NSFNET and Network Infrastructure Program***

Projects continuing in FY 1996, which were implemented under previous programs, no longer available, include the NSFNET and the Network Infrastructure Program which encourage and facilitate scholarly communication and collaboration by providing data network access to researchers and educators, supercomputer Centers, and information resources. These programs support expansion, operation, and use of the NSFNET backbone service and assist mid-level networks, and support network connections from institutions of higher education to mid-level networks. In FY 1996, NSFNET and the Network Infrastructure Program supported direct Internet access for 15 two-year colleges. Other two-year colleges were supported through larger grants which help a consortia of institutions gain access to Internet capabilities.

For example, through the NSFNET program, Green River Community College in Washington is connecting to the Internet to allow their faculty and students to benefit from access to Internet resources, including libraries and supercomputers. They are also able to communicate and collaborate with colleagues at other institutions in pursuit of research and educational projects. Valencia Community College in Florida is utilizing its award to permit six campuses access to the Internet for accessing information throughout the system, state, and nation. The Illinois Eastern Community College District is connecting four rural community colleges and one museum to the Internet.

The two-year Bayamon campus of the American University Puerto Rico is being supported through the **Network Infrastructure** program. Bayamon is developing a test station for the synchronization characterization of telecommunications networks, to develop the software for the generation of test signals and for the user interface, and to research better synchronization in synchronous optional networks.

***Technology Reinvestment Project (TRP)***

The mission of the Technology Reinvestment Project (TRP), now transitioned to the Joint Dual-Use and Dual-Use Applications Programs under the Department of Defense Advanced Research Programs Agency (DARPA), is to stimulate the transition to a growing, integrated national industrial capability that provides the most advanced, affordable military systems and the most competitive commercial products. While the TRP program did not make any new awards in FY 1996, numerous two-year colleges are still being supported through the program either by continuing awards made directly to them or through consortia arrangements.

The TRP competition included a Manufacturing Education and Training Program to establish programs for the retraining of active and displaced defense workers and improvement of the manufacturing curricula in U.S. colleges and universities. Manufacturing covers a wide range of technologies and concepts, and encompasses the full spectrum of materials, products and processes upon which the American industrial enterprise is based. In the context of the Manufacturing Education and Training (MET) competition, manufacturing encompasses the full range of economic activities from chemical and

biotechnology processing to electronic component and system fabrication, durable goods production, fabrication of structures, and other manufacturing sectors. Activities in the MET area focus on upgrading individual skills with the aim of producing a world-class, flexible manufacturing workforce that will function effectively under both defense and commercial production regimes. They also focus on providing the highly skilled, flexible technical workforce of the future. Activities target the improvement of curriculum and educational tools at universities, two- and four-year colleges, technical and vocational schools, and pre-college educational institutions, and emphasize partnerships among these educational institutions. Activities place special emphasis on skill conversion for engineers, technicians and other professionals displaced by the defense draw-down.

Six two-year institutions were directly supported by TRP/MET awards. Five additional awards have two-year college co-principal investigators and significantly involve two-year colleges in project activities. Most of these awards continue to be supported in FY 1996. For example, Drexel University, Camden County College, Delaware Community College, and the Community College of Philadelphia are creating a program to retrain displaced defense industry personnel. Industry involvement includes participation on advisory boards, curriculum development, and adjunct teaching. Erie County Technical Institute, expanded under the TRP to the Northwest Pennsylvania Technical Institute, is leading a consortium of 30 colleges and universities in cooperation with eight metal products and tool and die firms to develop courses for workers in two- and four-year degree programs in manufacturing.

### **Engineering Education Coalitions (EEC)**

The Engineering Education Coalitions program was developed to stimulate bold, innovative, and comprehensive models for systemic reform of undergraduate engineering education. The purpose of the program is to link universities and colleges of differing character to collaborate in experiments and to implement reforms, acting as change agents for the engineering education community at large.

The need for reform arises from the evolution of engineering education and research on American campuses in the last century and from the pressures for change in the role of engineering in industry and academe as we enter the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Academic engineering programs experienced a significant redirection after World War II, when the need arose to link engineering more closely to its scientific roots in order to strengthen the scientific underpinnings of the engineering disciplines. It became important for engineers to be able to solve problems analytically and work independently in the disciplinary scientific mode. It has become increasingly apparent that engineers also require, not only disciplinary depth, but also strong integrative qualities if they are to participate fully in leading innovation in the next century. Thus was the impetus for development of the Engineering Coalitions program.

There are eight Engineering Coalitions representing more than 50 academic institutions. These Coalitions comprise a nationwide network that emphasizes a synergistic approach to engineering education reform. All coalitions share the common goals of designing and implementing comprehensive, systemic models for structural reform of undergraduate engineering education; providing tested alternative educational tools, curricula and delivery systems to accomplish this reform; increasing the successful participation of women and underrepresented minorities in engineering education and improving linkages to pre-college and community college educational institutions; and creating

significant intellectual exchange and resource linkages among engineering baccalaureate-producing institutions. Publication NSF 95-62, *Engineering Education Coalitions (EEC) Fact Sheets*, provides additional information about the Engineering Coalitions.

Several of the Engineering Coalitions have two-year colleges as formal members. For example Maricopa Community College District, which serves the greater Phoenix, AZ area, is a member of the Foundation Engineering Education Coalition. Maricopa has been working with other coalition institutions, especially Arizona State University, to develop freshman design courses along the model of other Foundation institutions. The College of Technology, a virtual college of the Connecticut Community and Technical Colleges, is a member of another EEC Engineering Academy of Southern New England. Primary participation has been through articulation arrangements with the School of Engineering at the University of Connecticut.

In addition to these formal memberships, other coalitions are involving community colleges in their activities. For example, the Engineering Coalition of Schools for Excellence in Education and Leadership (ECSEL) has had long-standing arrangements to transport freshman design courses to community colleges in the locales of member institutions such as the University of Washington, University of Maryland and Morgan State University. The Synthesis EEC Coalition has developed relationships aimed at introducing Synthesis-developed courses to the two-year institutions. The Gateway Coalition has invited two-year colleges to serve as beta test sites for Gateway-developed courses.

### ***Other Selected Examples***

The **Research Experiences for Undergraduates** program is supported by all the Foundation's disciplinary research programs. It provides opportunities for undergraduate students to experience hands-on participation in research or related scholarly activities in areas of science, mathematics, and engineering. Through the Directorate for Biological Sciences, with partial support from the ATE program in DUE, Massachusetts Bay Community College is developing an innovative summer program which targets students from two-year colleges. During the first two summers, students are being extensively trained in various techniques used in molecular biology and biotechnology research. During the third summer participants will use this technical knowledge to pursue independent research at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole. This research institute is designed to provide students preparation both for graduate school and the workplace.

Several programs in the Directorate for Biological Sciences support faculty research in two-year colleges. The **Microbial Genetics** program focuses on genetic inquires using investigations of microbial interactions with other organisms. Faculty at Allegany Community College in Maryland are studying the general utility of insertional mutagenesis using inducible Ty elements in budding yeast. The **Ecology** program supports community ecology and population interactions in such areas as (a) dynamics and processes within specific communities or habitats, (b) food-web structure and landscape patterns, and (c) organismal interactions. Faculty at the two-year Miami University campus at Hamilton in Ohio are investigating the effect of tillage practices in soybean fields on the survival and existence of two species of wolf spiders. The **Instrumentation and Development** Program supports research in Multiuser Equipment and Instrumentation Resources and Instrumentation Development for Biological Research. Brevard Community College in Florida acquired a dual channel autoanalyzer to perform automated nutrient analysis which is used to analyze water quality conditions with the Indian River Lagoon ecosystem. The college, through the Brevard Teaching and Research Laboratories, operates as a joint use facility and all instrumentation is available to the entire regional research community.

Other research directorates support two-year colleges in limited ways. The **Applied Mathematics Program** is supporting a researcher at the University of Wisconsin Richland campus to make a careful mathematical analysis of the theory of solar coronal heating. The **Neuroengineering** program supports faculty at Honolulu Community College to study learning models in noisy and changing environments.

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**APPENDIX I**

**INDEX OF AWARDS  
FY 1996 AWARDS TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGES  
BY STATE**

**Two-Year College Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigator**

The awards in this section are ordered alphabetically by state, then by Division, by Program within the Division that made the award, and lastly, by proposal number. The list does not include the special grants made to two-year colleges for IPA positions. The co-principal investigators are only listed when the grant was made to four-year colleges and universities other than in the ATE program. The section only lists grants where FY 1996 monies went to the institutions. Many two-year colleges continue to be supported in FY 1996 through multiple year standard grants where all the funds were committed in years FY 1993-FY 1995.

**Key:**

**BES** = Division Bioengineering and Environmental Systems  
**BIR** = Biological Instrumentation and Resources  
**CISE** = Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering  
**CDA** = Cross-Disciplinary Activities  
**CHE** = Division of Chemistry  
**DBI** = Division of Biological Infrastructure  
**DEB** = Division of Environmental Biology  
**DMS** = Division of Mathematical Sciences  
**DUE** = Division of Undergraduate Education  
**ECS** = Division of Electrical and Communications Systems  
**EHR** = Directorate for Education and Human Resources  
**ESI** = Division of Elementary, Secondary, and Informal Education  
**ESR** = Division of Educational System Reform  
**HRD** = Division of Human Resource Development  
**MCB** = Division of Molecular & Cellular Biosciences  
**NCR** = Division of Networking & Communications Research and Infrastructure  
**REC** = Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communication  
**REU** = Research Experiences for Undergraduates  
**SBER** = Division of Social, Behavioral & Economic Research

The awards appear in the following format:

**STATE**

**Project Title**

**PI:** Principal Investigator

Awardee Institution

Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

PI email address

**CoPI:** Co-Principal Investigator

NSF Program under which the proposal was submitted

Division-Proposal #

FY 1996 Dollars (Total Award Amount)

Major Discipline

The abstracts of the awards listed here can be obtained by accessing the NSF Home Page at <http://www.nsf.gov>.

## ALASKA

### **Rural Alaskan Environmental Education Program**

PI: John Carnegie  
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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553680  
FY 1996 \$250,000 (\$600,000)  
Environmental Technology

## ARIZONA

### **CISE/EHR/ENG/MPS Collaborative Research on Learning Technologies: Community-based Learning Systems: Exploring Models in Use**

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CISE Institutional Infrastructure  
CDA-9616499  
FY 1996 \$298,698  
Computer Science

### **CISE Minority Institutions Infrastructure: Computer Information Systems Programs for The Navajo Nation**

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CISE Institutional Infrastructure  
CDA-9633177  
FY 1996 \$50,000  
Computer Science

### **Image Processing for Teaching: Faculty Development and Curriculum Materials**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454520  
FY 1996 \$476,524 (\$1,361,831)  
Computer and Information Technology

### **Teamed Internships: Innovative Education Program for Environmental Technicians and Engineers**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602368  
FY 1996 \$330,000  
Biotechnology

### **Maricopa Advanced Technology Education Center**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602373  
FY 1996 \$892,878 (\$2,704,046)  
Electronics

### **MMATE 2000 Project - Maricopa Mathematics Advanced Technology Education 2000 Project**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602386  
FY 1996 \$161,440 (\$353,235)  
Mathematics

**AT-SLICE: Advanced Technologies and Simulations for Learning about Interactions in Complex Environments**

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Course & Curriculum Development  
DUE-9555211  
FY 1996 \$448,947  
Interdisciplinary

**Phoenix Urban System Initiative (USI) Cognitively Guided Instruction Project**

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ESI-9632604  
FY 1996 \$902,514  
Mathematics

**Changing The High School System: Implementing The Interactive Mathematics Program in Arizona (AZ IMP2)**

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Teacher Enhancement  
ESI-9634034  
FY 1996 \$381,901 (\$1,071,475)  
Mathematics

**Urban Systemic Initiatives in Science, Mathematics, and Technology Education (USI)**

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Urban Systemic Initiative  
ESR-9450652  
FY 1996 \$3,000,000 (\$13,737,799)  
Mathematics

**EPWG: Women's Images of Science and Engineering**

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EHR Activities for Women & Girls in SEM  
HRD-9555733  
FY 1996 \$147,285 (\$508,981)  
Interdisciplinary

**The Navajo Learning Network Project**

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Networking Infrastructure for Education  
REC-9554344  
FY 1996 \$191,012 (\$640,994)  
Interdisciplinary

**CALIFORNIA**

**National Center for Environmental Transportation Technologies**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602448  
FY 1996 \$299,980  
Engineering Technology

**Preserving the Legacy: A Comprehensive Curriculum and Materials Development Project in Support of Advanced Environmental Technology Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454521  
FY 1996 \$499,989 (\$1,499,966)  
Environmental Technology

**Pac-Tec: Pacific Technological Education Center**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602348  
FY 1996 \$250,753 (\$500,000)  
Manufacturing

**A GIS Core Curriculum for the 2-Year College**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602348  
FY 1996 \$188,469  
Geographical Information System

**The Faculty Associates in S&T Leadership Corps Project for Enhancing Environmental Technology Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602365  
FY 1996 \$300,000 (\$600,000)  
Environmental Technology

**MATE - Marine Advanced Technology Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602384  
FY 1996 \$74,841  
Environmental Technology

**Instrumentation for Undergraduate Biology and Biotechnology Training**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650005  
FY 1996 \$25,000  
Life Sciences

**Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy as a Unifying Curricular Element**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650043  
FY 1996 \$18,627  
Chemistry

**Advancement of Student Learning in Physiology-Anatomy Using Alternative Teaching Avenues and Enhanced Technology**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650527  
FY 1996 \$29,985  
Life Sciences

**The Discovery Approach to Chemistry Laboratory Experiments**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650666  
FY 1996 \$14,288  
Chemistry

**Facilitating Scientific Thinking in Undergraduate Biology Students with the Use of Computerized Data Acquisition**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650846  
FY 1996 \$32,354  
Life Sciences

**Incorporation of Modern Instrumentation to Improve the Chemistry Laboratory Curriculum**

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17th at Bristol  
Santa Ana, CA 92706

Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650951  
FY 1996 \$28,493  
Chemistry

**Palomar College Integrated General Education Science Curriculum Project**

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San Marcos, CA 92069-1415

Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651115  
FY 1996 \$77,449  
Oceanography

**Mathematics Multimedia Presentation Classroom**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651186  
FY 1996 \$60,000  
Mathematics

**Computer-Enhanced Instruction for Physiology Laboratories Using McIntosh Computers and MacLab Sensor/Transducer Signal Interfaces**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651337  
FY 1996 \$25,442  
Life Sciences

**Graphical and Qualitative Investigations In Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra, and Differential Equations**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651374  
FY 1996 \$35,898  
Mathematics

**Restructured Physics Learning Environment**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651375  
FY 1996 \$9,068  
Physics

**The Redwood Connection**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9613950  
FY 1996 \$19,976  
Computer Science

**Connections to the NSFNET for Chabot College and Las Positas College**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9521286  
FY 1996 \$25,000  
Computer Science

**Making Good the Promise: A Regional Infrastructure Model for Science Education by Way of Electronic Field Trips - from Abyss to Andromeda**

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REC-9554325  
FY 1996 \$500,105 (\$999,543)  
Interdisciplinary

**COLORADO**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553706  
FY 1996 \$117,294 (\$298,464)  
Manufacturing

**Advancing Scientific and Technological Education in American Indian Communities**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602376  
FY 1996 \$75,000  
Multidisciplinary

**The Earth and Space Science Technological Education Project (ESSTEP)**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602408  
FY 1996 \$149,944 (\$594,869)  
Geographical Information System

**A New Model for Introductory Biology at Two-Year and Community Colleges**

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Course & Curriculum Development  
DUE-9455725  
FY 1996 \$335,000 (\$1,120,000)  
Life Sciences

## CONNECTICUT

### **Reformed Mathematics Pedagogy and Laboratory/Technical Activities in Support of Aeronautics and Space Technical Education for Community and Technical College Students**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602456  
FY 1996 \$259,914  
Mathematics

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

### **Science Technology: Knowledge and Skills**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454564  
FY 1996 (\$500,000)\$1,500,000  
Chemical Technology

### **Expanding the Network of Community Colleges in Advanced Science and Engineering Technology Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9552975  
FY 1996 \$35,800 (\$273,120)  
Multidisciplinary

### **Business Alliance for Advanced Technological Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602352  
FY 1996 \$199,986 (\$399,972)  
Multidisciplinary

## FLORIDA

### **Acquisition of an Autoanalyzer for Environmental Research**

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Instrumentation and Instrument Development  
DBI-9512544  
FY 1996 \$33,057  
Life Sciences

### **Biomedical Engineering Technology Program Development**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602383  
FY 1996 \$250,000  
Biotechnology

### **Exploring Mathematics in the Real World**

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Course & Curriculum Development  
DUE-9554811  
FY 1996 \$50,023  
Mathematics

**Reforming Mathematics Curriculum Through Computerized Laboratories and Cooperative Learning**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650737  
FY 1996 \$70,000  
Mathematics

**Using the TI-92 to Enhance the Learning of Precalculus and Calculus**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650960  
FY 1996 \$31,388  
Mathematics

**FT-IR for Continued Development of a Community College Microscale Organic Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651140  
FY 1996 \$9,738  
Chemistry

**EPWG: Learning Mathematics Through Transactional Writing.**

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EHR Activities for Women & Girls in SEM  
HRD-9554188  
FY 1996 \$221,882 (\$620,286)  
Interdisciplinary

**MP/WG: Valencia BRIDGES Program**

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EHR Activities for Women & Girls in SEM  
HRD-9555734  
FY 1996 \$100,000  
Interdisciplinary

**Request for Connectivity to NSFNET**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9528812  
FY 1996 \$115,874  
Computer Science

**Addressing National Needs for Skilled Technical Degree Graduates**

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Studies and Indicators Project  
REC-9628036  
FY 1996 \$364,021 (\$944,629)  
Multidisciplinary

**GEORGIA**

**Science and Mathematics are Right Together (SMART)**

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Young Scholars Program  
ESI-9553538  
FY 1996 \$52,336 (\$104,672)  
Chemistry

## HAWAII

### **Center for Ultraviolet Radiation Research at the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology**

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Field Stations  
DBI-9512641  
FY 1996 \$78,294  
Life Sciences

### **Interactive Learning in Noisy and Changing Environments**

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Neuroengineering  
ECS-9625557  
FY 1996 \$52,008 (\$229,267)  
Computer Science

### **West Hawaii Explorations Academy: A Center for Integrative Secondary Curriculum Development**

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Instructional Materials Development  
ESI-9452790  
FY 1996 \$131,654 (\$475,000)  
Instructional Materials Development

## ILLINOIS

### **Chicago Chemical Laboratory Technology Education Partnership**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602443  
FY 1996 \$139,918 (\$210,081)  
Chemical Technology

### **Creating Partnerships between Urban Community College and Industry to Prepare Students to Enter and Succeed in the Technical Workforce**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9634670  
FY 1996 \$9,554  
Multidisciplinary

### **A Team Approach to the Reform and Standardization of Core Courses in Science and Mathematics**

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Institutional Reform  
DUE-9652170  
FY 1996 \$199,920  
Chemistry

### **Improvement to Three Undergraduate Chemistry Courses**

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Palatine, IL 60067

Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650313  
FY 1996 \$13,798  
Chemistry

### **Two-Year College Physics Workshop Project**

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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554683  
FY 1996 \$171,621 (\$525,000)  
Physics

**Internet Access for Rural Colleges**  
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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9613895  
FY 1996 \$80,000  
Computer Science

## INDIANA

**Modeling FM Bat Sonar: An Approach Based on Neurophysiology, Artificial Neural Networks and Multi-Resolution Signal Analysis**

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Biotechnology  
BES-9307650  
FY 1996 \$10,400 (\$258,059)  
Chemical Engineering

**Advancing Geo-technology Education: Providing GIS/DPS/ Remote Sensing /Computer Cartography Skills for the Workforce of the Twenty-First Century**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553694  
FY 1996 \$6,250 (\$300,000)  
Geological Sciences

**The Midwest Consortium for Advanced Technology Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602355  
FY 1996 \$426,570 (\$1,348,391)  
Engineering Technology

**A Physics Computing Laboratory With an Interactive Digitized Video Component**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650594  
FY 1996 \$23,330  
Physics

**Moveable Computer Workstations Designed to Facilitate the Use of STELLA II in the Biology Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650838  
FY 1996 \$22,454  
Life Sciences

## IOWA

**Advanced Technology Environmental Education Center (ATEEC)**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454638  
FY 1996 \$999,998 (\$2,999,866)  
Environmental Technology

**North Central Collaboration for Education in NDE/NDT**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602370  
FY 1996 \$224,208 (\$673,705)  
Engineering Technology

**Internet Connection Project**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9629865  
FY 1996 \$26,136  
Computer Science

**KANSAS**

**Computers as Scientific Instruments in the General Chemistry Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651163  
FY 1996 \$22,015  
Chemistry

**KENTUCKY**

**Portable Computer Algebra System Laboratories**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651142  
FY 1996 \$61,218  
Mathematics

**MAINE**

**Improving Physics Instruction for Technical Students Using a Microcomputer-Based Laboratory (MBL)**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651318  
FY 1996 \$15,852  
Physics

**MARYLAND**

**The Two-Year College in the Twenty-First Century: Breaking Down Barriers**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9450160  
FY 1996 \$358,975 (\$1,185,405)  
Physics

**Physics Education in the Two-Year Colleges: A Neglected Resource**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9453180  
FY 1996 \$93,000 (\$385,680)  
Physics

**NASA-CCITT Project in Remote Sensing, Image Processing, and Geographic Information Systems**  
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Advanced Technological Education  
 DUE-9553662  
 FY 1996 \$293,427 (\$694,941)  
 Geographical Information System

**Associate Degree for Manufacturing Technicians**  
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Advanced Technological Education  
 DUE-9553664  
 FY 1996 \$400,000 (\$1,299,834)  
 Manufacturing

**Enhancing Critical Thinking in General Chemistry Through Computer Investigations of Graphical Relationships**  
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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
 DUE-9650792  
 FY 1996 \$29,519  
 Chemistry

**Maryland Undergraduate Mathematics Enhancement Program II (MUMEP II)**  
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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
 DUE-9554632  
 FY 1996 \$98,505  
 Mathematics

**The Young Scholars Field Research Institute**  
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Young Scholars Program  
 ESI-9553500  
 FY 1996 \$55,783 (\$96,902)  
 Chemistry

**CPMSA: "Comprehensive Partnerships for Minority Student Achievement (CPMSA) Project"**  
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Comprehensive Partnerships for Mathematics and Science Achievement  
 HRD-9624392  
 FY 1996 \$1,171,577 (\$3,486,341)  
 Interdisciplinary

**RUI: Ty Insertional Mutagenesis in Yeast**  
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Microbial Genetics  
 MCB-9643006  
 FY 1996 \$4,550 (\$114,904)  
 Life Sciences

## MASSACHUSETTS

**Fundamental Studies on the Nutrient Mist Bioreactor (NMB) with Non-lethal Product Release Methods Applied to Hairy Roots**  
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Biotechnology  
 BES-9414858  
 FY 1996 \$114,141 (\$251,833)  
 Chemical Engineering

**REU-Site for Biotechnology**

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Research Experiences For Undergraduate Sites  
BIR-9424103  
FY 1996 \$60,296 (\$116,092)  
Life Sciences

**Advanced Biotechnology Education Project**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454642  
FY 1996 \$392,109 (\$1,132,394)  
Biotechnology

**Project ComTech: A Curriculum in Technology and Science**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602404  
FY 1996 \$373,927  
Multidisciplinary

**The Telecommunications and Networking Engineering Technology Education Project**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602433  
FY 1996 \$200,000 (\$400,000)  
Telecommunication

**Digital Video Computer Editing Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650693  
FY 1996 \$13,539  
Engineering Technology

**Laser Materials Processing Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650745  
FY 1996 \$72,750  
Engineering Technology

**Computer Based Anatomy and Physiology: Improving Student Success**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650796  
FY 1996 \$43,000  
Life Sciences

**Improving Science Education through GIS/GPS Technology**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651211  
FY 1996 \$30,000  
Interdisciplinary

**Using Technology to Enrich and Expand the Horizons of Massasoit Community College Students**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651399  
FY 1996 \$11,281  
Mathematics

**Undergraduate Fiber Optics and Communications for Engineering Technology**

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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554725  
FY 1996 \$52,850  
Engineering

**Math/Science Enhanced Manufacturing Technology Training for Females and Minorities**

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Teacher Enhancement Program  
ESI-9453921  
FY 1996 \$170,370 (\$356,076)  
Engineering

**MICHIGAN**

**Acquisition of a FTIR and Microscale Conversion in Chemistry Laboratories**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650725  
FY 1996 \$11,095  
Chemistry

**Connection of Kellogg Community College to MichNet and NSFNET**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9625880  
FY 1996 \$23,076  
Computer Science

**MINNESOTA**

**A Cooperative Learning Environment that Fosters the Pursuit of Scientific Careers for American Indians**

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CISE Institutional Infrastructure  
CDA-9417390  
FY 1996 \$232,025 (\$897,016)  
Computer Science

**NetCo/CoNet Lab Proposal**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651242  
FY 1996 \$58,000  
Computer Science

**Regional & Global Workshops in Community Computer Networking**

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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554693  
FY 1996 \$100,000  
Computer Science

**MISSISSIPPI**

**Improving Science and Engineering Technology Education at Community Colleges**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602459  
FY 1996 \$211,982  
Multidisciplinary

**Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement in Elementary Preservice Mathematics Education for 2-Year College**

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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554663  
FY96 \$74,990  
Mathematics

**Transition to the Workplace Through Manufacturing Experiences**

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Instructional Materials Development  
ESI-9555646  
FY 1996 \$567,456 (\$2,218,113)  
Manufacturing

**MISSOURI**

**Development of Theme-Based Biology Labs Using Computer-Assisted Lab Experiments and the Internet**

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Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650211  
FY 1996 \$35,000  
Life Sciences

**MONTANA**

**Environment and the Curriculum**

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Institutional Reform  
DUE-9652157  
FY 1996 \$180,562  
Life Sciences

**NEVADA**

**A Partnership for Computer-Based Curriculum Development in Atmospheric Technology**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602351  
FY 1996 \$150,000 (\$450,000)  
Atmospheric Sciences

**Faculty Workshops for Implementing Reform of Business Calculus**

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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554709  
FY 1996 \$37,636  
Mathematics

**Nevada's Systemic Improvement Plan**

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Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research  
ESR-9353227  
FY 1996 \$1,485,000 (\$6,055,000)  
Interdisciplinary

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

### **Defining the Emerging Role of the Technologist in a Computer-Aided-Engineering Environment**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553767  
FY 1996 \$150,000 (\$548,260)  
Manufacturing

### **"Tri-State Physics": An Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement Program for Physics Instructors In Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont"**

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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554744  
FY 1996 \$99,932  
Physics

## NEW JERSEY

### **Modular Approach to Biotechnology Laboratory Instruction Based on a Novel Green-Fluorescent Protein**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602356  
FY 1996 \$350,000  
Biotechnology

### **Multimedia Communications Technology**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602375  
FY 1996 \$309,983  
Computer and Information Technology

### **Revitalization of Undergraduate Mathematics and Science: A Thematic Systems Approach**

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Institutional Reform  
DUE-9643650  
FY 1996 \$100,000 (\$200,000)  
Interdisciplinary

### **New Jersey Center for Advanced Technological Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
ESI-9553749  
FY 1996 \$982,931 (\$2,966,472)  
Engineering Technology

## NEW MEXICO

### **Project TIE: Training for Industry Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602349  
FY 1996 \$218,227 (\$421,318)  
Electronics

**Development of User-Friendly Microcomputer-Based Instructional Aids for Introductory Courses in**

**Electrical Engineering**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602430  
FY 1996 \$169,177  
Engineering Technology

**NEW YORK**

**Technology Instruction for the 21st Century**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454613  
FY 1996 \$110,652 (\$513,000)  
Electronics

**Technology Instruction for the 21st Century - Phase II**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602369  
FY 1996 \$193,010 (\$600,000)  
Engineering Technology

**LIGASE: Long Island Group About Science Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602450  
FY 1996 \$225,000 (\$450,000)  
Biotechnology

**Development of Course Materials to Promote Collaborative Learning through Interactive Animation for Mathematics**

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Course & Curriculum Development  
DUE-9554949  
FY 1996 \$81,346  
Mathematics

**Ultrafast Laser Laboratory for Photonics Undergraduates**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651324  
FY 1996 \$34,360  
Engineering Technology

**An Undergraduate Photonics Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650617  
FY 1996 \$41,780  
Engineering Technology

**SUNY Farmingdale CAD Laboratory Improvement to Include Rapid Prototyping**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650653  
FY 1996 \$47,040  
Engineering Technology

**Mathematics Learning Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650658  
FY 1996 \$70,000  
Mathematics

**Enhancing Undergraduate Analytical Lab Skills Using the Technique of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651061  
FY 1996 \$37,737  
Chemistry

**Computer Assisted Interdisciplinary Problem Solving in Mathematics and Science**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651271  
FY 1996 \$31,830  
Mathematics

**Classroom Laboratories in Mathematics and Science**

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New York, NY 10007-1079

Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651423  
FY 1996 \$59,998  
Mathematics

**Sage Junior College of Albany Chemistry Laboratory Enhancement**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651446  
FY 1996 \$14,871  
Chemistry

**Animations, Portfolios and CD-ROM Technology in Science and Calculus**

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CUNY Borough of Manhattan Community College  
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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554672  
FY 1996 \$100,000  
Mathematics

**Femtosecond Optical Interactions in Glasses**

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Lightwave Technology  
ECS-9612255  
FY 1996 \$590,955  
Electrical Engineering

**Connections to the Internet (NSF 96-64)**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9613896  
FY 1996 \$20,000  
Computer Science

## NORTH CAROLINA

### **The Capstone Project: An Integrated Approach to Learning**

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Institutional Reform  
DUE-9652146  
FY 1996 \$199,949  
Engineering Technology

### **Roanoke River Valley Consortium Teacher Enhancement Project (R2VCTEP)**

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Winton, NC 27986  
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Teacher Enhancement Program  
ESI-9554607  
FY 1996 \$50,000  
Physical Sciences

## NORTH DAKOTA

### **High Plains Rural Systemic Initiative**

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Belcourt, ND 58316-0340

Rural Systemic Initiative Program  
ESR-9642720  
FY 1996 \$567,538 (\$2,167,538)  
Mathematics

## OHIO

### **RUI: Competitive Co-Existence of Two Predators in a Spatially Patterned Landscape**

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Ecology  
DEB-9527710  
FY 1996 \$200,000  
Environmental Biology

### **Partnership for the Advancement of Chemical Technology (PACT)**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454518  
FY 1996 \$400,000 (\$1,200,000)  
Chemical Technology

### **National Center of Excellence for Advanced Manufacturing Education (NCE/AME)**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454571  
FY 1996 \$1,000,000 (\$3,000,000)  
Manufacturing

### **Toledo Technology Academy**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602431  
FY 1996 \$500,000 (\$1,200,000)  
Manufacturing

**National Center for Advanced Technological Education in Chemical Technology**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602437  
FY 1996 \$340,129 (\$1,098,276)  
Chemical Technology

**Technological Education for Advanced Manufacturing**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602457  
FY 1996 \$299,880 (\$608,756)  
Manufacturing

**HVAC Research and Development Project**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9544183  
FY 1996 \$18,727 (\$72,045)  
Materials Science and Engineering

**Incorporation of Cell and Tissue Culture Techniques and Environmental Physiology into the Undergraduate Curriculum**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650526  
FY 1996 \$32,924  
Life Sciences

**Biotechnology Laboratory Instrumentation Improvement**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650655  
FY 1996 \$60,000  
Life Sciences

**Environmental Applications of Supercritical Fluids via the Discovery Approach**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650675  
FY 1996 \$36,785  
Chemistry

**Creation of Economic Science Laboratory to Teach Classroom Experiments at Multiple Sites**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651170  
FY 1996 \$30,000  
Economics

**Teaching Science With Toys: Cultivating Advancements in Physical Science (TOYS: CAPS)**

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Teacher Enhancement Program  
ESI-9355523  
FY 1996 \$671,456 (\$1,524,090)  
Physics

**Young Investigators Summer Institute on Science and Agriculture**

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Wooster, OH 44691

Young Scholars Program  
ESI-9552897  
FY 1996 \$95,989 (\$166,978)  
Chemistry

**Connection to NSFNET**

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Stark Technical College  
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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9641469  
FY 1996 \$6,669 (\$19,680)  
Computer Science

**OKLAHOMA**

**An Innovative Approach for Advanced Technological Learning in Distinctive Manufacturing**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602390  
FY 1996 \$300,000 (\$600,000)  
Manufacturing

**Improving Undergraduate Instruction Through the Inauguration of a Multi-Disciplinary Computer Simulation Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650726  
FY 1996 \$55,000  
Interdisciplinary

**Teaching Microcomputer-Based Laboratory Physics Courses to Remote Sites Using Two-Way Video and Audio**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651020  
FY 1996 \$50,868  
Physics

**Developing Mobile and Industrial Electrohydraulic and Electropneumatic Technical Education**

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Okmulgee, OK 74447

Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651347  
FY 1996 \$71,454  
Engineering Technology

**OREGON**

**Northwest Center for Sustainable Resources (A National Center for Advanced Technology)**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553760  
FY 1996 \$999,553 (\$2,998,443)  
Environmental Technology

**High Vacuum Systems Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650916  
FY 1996 \$50,384  
Engineering Technology

**Dual Site Chemistry Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
 DUE-9650968  
 FY 1996 \$17,323  
 Chemistry

**Development of Curricular Tools for Quantitative Estimation in Physics**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
 DUE-9651038  
 FY 1996 \$19,872  
 Physics

**Enhancing Thinking Skills Using Computers in Non-Majors Biology at a Community College**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
 DUE-9651059  
 FY 1996 \$60,234  
 Life Sciences

**PPD/SP: Using ASTER to Improve Math and Science Accessibility by Students with Learning****Disabilities**

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for Persons with Physical Disabilities  
 HRD-9554453  
 FY 1996 \$49,557  
 Computer Science

**PENNSYLVANIA****Chemical and Physical Properties of 2-Aminopyrroles**

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Bimolecular Processes  
 CHE-9420655  
 FY 1996 \$41,600 (\$105,500)  
 Chemistry

**Culture, Science and Technology: A New Undergraduate Curriculum**

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 Philadelphia, PA 19130

Institutional Reform  
 DUE-9652153  
 FY 1996 \$188,923  
 Engineering

**Metamorphosing Organic Chemistry Laboratory into a Mini- Collaborative Work Place. Phase 1 - Enhancement of Learning by FT-IR Spectroscopy**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
 DUE-9650991  
 FY 1996 \$10,306  
 Chemistry

**Integrating Computer-Enhanced Molecular Visualizaton into Organic Chemistry, General Chemistry, and Chemistry for Non-Majors**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
 DUE-9650993  
 FY 1996 \$30,007  
 Chemistry

**Interdisciplinary Automated Manufacturing Laboratory for the Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology Program**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651001  
FY 1996 \$50,318  
Engineering Technology

**An Interdisciplinary Course in Quantitative and Scientific Literacy**

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Leadership in Laboratory Development  
DUE-9651137  
FY 1996 \$86,950  
Mathematics

**CCP: Connection and Access to the Internet**

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Philadelphia, PA 19130

Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9613899  
FY 1996 \$20,000  
Computer Science

**PUERTO RICO**

**Academic Research Infrastructure: Development of Automatic Test Station for Network Synchronization Performance Characterization**

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CISE Institutional Infrastructure  
CDA-9601692  
FY 1996 \$108,258  
Computer Science

**SOUTH CAROLINA**

**South Carolina Advanced Technological Education (SC ATE) Exemplary Faculty Project**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553740  
FY 1996 \$474,627 (\$1,419,128)  
Engineering Technology

**South Carolina Advanced Technological Education (SC ATE) Center of Excellence**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602440  
FY 1996 \$550,000 (\$2,100,000)  
Engineering Technology

**Robotic Welding Technology**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650053  
FY 1996 \$78,840  
Engineering Technology

**Enhancement of Undergraduate Chemistry Curriculum Through the Incorporation of FTIR**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650828  
FY 1996 \$9,672  
Chemistry

**SOUTH DAKOTA**

**Woksape (Knowledge)**

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P.O. Box 490  
Kyle, SD 57752-0490

CISE Institutional Infrastructure  
CDA-9643902  
FY 1996 \$2,261,629 (\$4,611,629)  
Computer Science

**TENNESSEE**

**South East Advanced Technology Education Center for Communications Technology (SEATEC)**

PI: Sydney Rogers  
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Nashville, TN 37209-4515

Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602401  
FY 1996 \$219,622 (\$449,594)  
Telecommunication

**Implementation of a Computer Networking Laboratory**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650210  
FY 1996 \$55,000  
Engineering Technology

**Data Acquisition, Manipulation and Presentation in Physics and Physical Science**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651477  
FY 1996 \$15,227  
Physics

**TEXAS**

**Southwest Center for Advanced Technological Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454643  
FY 1996 \$560,475 (\$1,711,637)  
Multidisciplinary

**Advanced Technical Education (ATE) Alliance**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454655  
FY 1996 \$497,850 (\$1,495,500)  
Manufacturing

**Machine Tool Advanced Skills Technology Educational Resources (MASTER) Program**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553716  
FY 1996 \$500,000 (\$1,550,000)  
Manufacturing

**Building on the Crossroads in Mathematics Standards: A Project to Develop Introductory Mathematics Curriculum Materials**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602361  
FY 1996 \$107,817  
Mathematics

**Implementing the Standards for Introductory College Mathematics Before Calculus**

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Course & Curriculum Development  
DUE-9555059  
FY 1996 \$120,014  
Mathematics

**Panola College Interdisciplinary Technology Center**

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Institutional Reform  
DUE-9652088  
FY 1996 \$181,075  
Engineering Technology

**Panola College Physics Laboratory Improvement**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650100  
FY 1996 \$19,226  
Physics

**Improved Undergraduate Analytical Chemistry Through Use of Atomic Absorption Spectrometry and UV Visible Spectroscopy**

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Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650948  
FY 1996 \$12,425  
Chemistry

**Applying Instrumental Analysis to a Computerized Process**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650996  
FY 1996 \$35,684  
Chemistry

**Computerization of the General Chemistry Laboratory Program**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9651219  
FY 1996 \$19,865  
Chemistry

**Two-Year College Physics Faculty Enhancement Program**

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Undergraduate Faculty Enhancement  
DUE-9554671  
FY 1996 \$279,952  
Physics

**New Connection of Laredo Community College to Internet**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9613881  
FY 1996 \$19,720  
Computer Science

**UTAH**

**UVSC - Native American Community College Multi-Location Internet Connection Project**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9613949  
FY 1996 \$80,000  
Computer Science

**Utah Valley State College Network (UVNET) Wireless Internet Connections Project**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9613955  
FY 1996 \$75,000  
Computer Science

**VIRGINIA**

**Faculty Enhancement and Curriculum Development Activities to Improve Advanced Technology Education - Phase II**

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Wytheville, VA 24382-3308

Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602397  
FY 1996 \$136,820 (\$299,694)  
Manufacturing

**The Bigger Picture: A Project-Based Course on Environmental Geophysics and Geochemistry**

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Course & Curriculum Development  
DUE-9554973  
FY 1996 \$75,908  
Geological Sciences

**WASHINGTON**

**Advanced Technology Curriculum: Meeting AEA Standards**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553726  
FY 1996 \$300,000 (\$600,000)  
Electronics

**Northwest Center for Emerging Technologies: New Designs for Advanced Technological Education**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9553727  
FY 1996 \$992,386 (\$2,992,054)  
Computer and Information Technology

**Materials Aspects of Manufacturing Technology Institute**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602360  
FY 1996 \$218,154  
Manufacturing

**ChemCore: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Real-World Laboratory Chemistry**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9602403  
FY 1996 \$399,470  
Chemical Technology

**NSFNET: Green River Community College Connects to the World**

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Network Infrastructure  
NCR-9522029  
FY 1996 \$20,349  
Computer Science

**WISCONSIN**

**Mathematical Sciences: "RUI: Magnetohydrostatic Problems Relevant to Current Sheets and Heating of the Solar Corona" Mathematics**

PI: Edward Stredulinsky  
University of Wisconsin Center Richland  
Richland Center, WI 53581

Applied Mathematics  
DMS-9622923  
FY 1996 \$67,500  
Mathematics

**An Advanced Biotechnology Education Partnership Program**

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Advanced Technological Education  
DUE-9454555  
FY 1996 \$200,000 (\$1,000,000)  
Biotechnology

**Blackhawk Technical College Physics Laboratory Project**

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Instrumentation & Laboratory Improvement  
DUE-9650354  
FY 1996 \$14,150  
Physics

**Quality Management in the Public Sector: The Next Paradigm**

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Transformation to Quality Organizations  
SBER-9529900  
FY 1996 \$98,230 (\$196,320)  
Engineering

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION  
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**APPENDIX II**

**MAP OF  
 FY 1996 AWARDS TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGES  
 BY STATE**



This map includes the 197 awards listed in Appendix I plus IPAs (Missouri and New York), contracts (Illinois and Maryland) and summer interns (Arkansas and Mississippi) for a total of 203 awards.

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**PUBLICATIONS OF PRIOR YEAR ACTIVITIES  
INVOLVING TWO-YEAR COLLEGES**

*Activities in Support of Two-Year College Science, Engineering, Technology, and Mathematics Education: Fiscal Year 1995 Highlights (NSF 96-83).* This report gives the highlights of 1995 NSF support to two-year colleges through both leadership activities and leveraged program support. In particular, it highlights the growth in NSF support for two-year college activities from 1992 to 1995. Information on the 192 awards to two-year colleges is provided. Published in April of 1996.

*Activities in Support of Two-Year College Science, Engineering, Technology, and Mathematics Education: Fiscal Year 1994 Highlights (NSF 95-74).* This report gives the highlights of 1994 NSF support to two-year colleges through both leadership activities and leveraged program support. In particular, it highlights the growth in NSF support for two-year college activities from 1992 to 1994. Information on the 209 awards to two-year colleges is provided. Published in 1995.

*Technical Education in 2-Year Colleges: HES 17.* From 1993 to 1995, NSF's Division of Science Resource Studies (SRS) in cooperation with the Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE) and the Division of Research, Evaluation, and Communication (REC) conducted a survey on technical education in two-year institutions. This report provides data on aspects of engineering and science technology education in the nation's two-year colleges including numbers of two-year colleges involved in science and engineering technology; numbers of certificates and associate degrees awarded; enrollment and faculty in these programs; fields of study; linkages between technology programs and local businesses and industry including co-op, worker training and re-training, and school-to-work; linkages between technology programs and secondary schools including Tech-Prep; and transfer arrangements with four-year institutions. Published in March of 1995.

*Partnering to Build a Quality Workforce: Critical Issues in Environmental Technology Education in Two-Year Colleges.* In February of 1995 an NSF supported *Workshop on Critical Issues in Environmental Technician Education* was held in cooperation with the Advanced Technological Environmental Education Center (ATEEC). The following 5 critical issues were examined by the groups: (a) professionalization of environmental technician education as well as preparation, credentials, professional advancement, and continuing education of faculty; (b) curriculum and program development and implementation in environmental technician education; (c) environmental equity and human resources; (d) current and future employment needs; and (e) transferability of credits (2 + 2 + 2). The publication can be obtained from ATEEC, 500 Belmont Road, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722 or by phone at 319-344-0354.

*Putting the Pieces Together: A Guide Book for Leaders of Coalitions of Two- and Four-Year Colleges and Universities.* In October of 1993 the Division of Undergraduate Education sponsored a workshop on *Coalition Building for Effective Faculty Enhancement*. The goals of the workshop were to develop a

guidebook that could be used by individuals who are planning and leading coalitions, identify needs of community college faculty relative to faculty enhancement, generate increased interest from the scientific community in forming cooperative and collaborative projects, increase interest in interdisciplinary projects, and discuss evaluation and dissemination for coalition projects. The guidebook can be obtained by writing to Dr. Patricia Cunniff, Science and Technology Resource Center, Prince George's Community College, 301 Largo Road, Largo, Maryland 20772.

***Advanced Technological Education: 1994 Awards and Activities (NSF 95-6)***. This publication includes information about the ATE program and FY 1994 awards, a brief history of the ATE program, a listing of awards by types of technology, abstracts of all awarded projects, an index of awards by state, an index of principal investigators, and numerous maps. Published in 1995.

***Gaining the Competitive Edge: Critical Issues in Science and Engineering Technician Education (NSF 94-32)***. The workshop held July 21-23, 1993 in Washington, D. C. was in response to a nationally recognized need for a well-educated technical workforce in the high performance work place of advanced technologies to help the United States maintain a competitive edge in the world market. The purpose of the workshop was to identify critical issues in science and engineering technician education; develop recommendations for industry, academe, and government; and engage these communities into action. Deliberations focused on development of strategies to strengthen two-year college technician education programs; however, improving education programs for prospective technicians at the secondary school level and expanding opportunities for technicians at four-year colleges and universities and after employment were addressed as well. Published in 1994.

***Activities in Support of Two-Year College Science, Engineering, Technology, and Mathematics Education: Fiscal Year 1993 Highlights (NSF 94-86)***. This report gives the highlights of NSF 1993 support to two-year colleges through both leadership activities and leveraged program support. Abstracts are included for awards made through the Division of Undergraduate Education. Published in 1994.

***2nd Annual Conference on Diversity in the Scientific and Technological Workforce (NSF 94-12)***. This publications contains the report on a session organized around the topic of *Transition of Students From Two-Year to Four-Year Colleges*. This session dealt with the successful transition of minority students to four-year institutions. The objectives of the session were to develop strategies for achieving the broader goal of a significant increase by the year 2000 of minority students enrolled in SMET in two-year colleges that successfully transfer to four-year institutions. Published in 1994.

***Building the System: Making Science Education Work (NSF 94-107)*** is a report of the 1994 NSF Invitational Conference. This conference included a session focused on *The New American Work Force: Scientific and Technical Development* and two exhibits which demonstrated innovative new approaches to technician education. Among the issues discussed in the session were education versus training; content base of basic science and mathematics; articulation and collaboration among institutions; avoidance of dead-end tracking; complexity of the diverse student population entering technical fields; and the role of "Tech-Prep" in attracting, motivating, and training future technicians. A briefing paper for the conference entitled *Technician Education: The Future of the U. S. Work Force* is included in the proceedings. Published in 1994.

***Partners in Progress: Report of a National Science Foundation Workshop on the Role of Professional Societies in Two-Year College Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education (NSF 93-64)*** This report contains recommendations from both interdisciplinary and disciplinary working groups for actions by professional societies to: (a) support the integrated teacher-scholar role of two-year

college SMET faculty, (b) encourage the formation of networks among SMET faculty, (c) promote membership and leadership by two-year college faculty, (d) enhance SMET education in two-year colleges, and (e) increase funding to two-year college SMET faculty. Published in 1993.

***National Conference on Diversity in the Scientific and Technological Workforce (NSF 93-22)*** This report contains a copy of the plenary address made at the conference by Charles Merideth, President of New York Technical Institute, on the role of community and technical colleges in the education of minorities. He calls for these institutions to become leaders in this effort and to abandon the role of being ancillary to traditional four-year institutions. Published in 1993.

***Matching Actions and Challenges: Report of a National Science Foundation Workshop on Science, Engineering, and Mathematics Education in Two-Year Colleges (NSF 91-111)***. The focus of this workshop was to reaffirm the important role two-year colleges play in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) education. Recommendations are intended for two-year college faculty; professional societies; presidents and administrators; and state, local, and national funding agencies. Published in 1991.



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