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Grape and Wine Education for the 21st Century

THE GRAPEVINE

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## Winter and Spring Course Enrollment Dates

December 2011

Don't miss the perfect chance to broaden your understanding of grape growing and wine making. Online classes are forming and now is the time to join this one of a kind grape and wine education program.

Click <http://www.vesta-usa.org> for more information.



### ENROLLMENT DEADLINES

Winter 2012 VESTA Courses— December 9, 2011

Spring 2012 General Education Courses— December 9, 2011

Spring 2012 VESTA Courses— January 13, 2012

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## Upcoming VESTA Workshops

### Introduction to Wine Microorganisms Workshop

December 10-11, 2011 at Elmaro Vineyard, Trempealeau, WI  
Please click [here](#) for more information.

### Wine Sensory Evaluation Workshop

January 27-28, 2012 at the Landmark Executive Center, Santa Rosa, CA  
Please click [here](#) for more information

## Welcome New VESTA Instructors

VESTA is pleased to welcome Dr. Chandra Richter of E&J Gallo Winery as the new Introduction to Enology, section 3 course instructor and

Mr. Gill Giese of Virginia Tech University as the new Spring Viticulture Technology instructor

### Early VIN 266 Start Date

Please note that VESTA VIN 266-Sensory Evaluation course will begin on January 9th for the Spring 2012 Semester. If you wish to register for the course, the deadline is December 9, 2011.

## VESTA's Fourth Annual Student Wine Showcase

An event to showcase commercial and/or homemade wines made by VESTA students at the 2012 Midwest Regional Wine and Grape Conference February 9-12. For more information on eligibility and registration, please click [here](#).

## VESTA Student Profile-Greg Gordy



When most people think of retirement, starting a brand new career is not what normally comes to mind. However, when VESTA student Greg Gordy retired from the Air Force in 2010, he already had a plan of what he'd like to do, which included planting his own vineyard and developing a strategy of how to open his own winery.

Please click [here](#) to read the full story.