

Faculty and Student Support

Faculty Support and Exchange Activities, 2004-2005

In June-July 2004, Vernon Eidman renewed our agreement with Polish colleague Seczezan Figiel of the College of Economics of the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn for Joint Implementation of the Executive Masters in Agribusiness Management Program through 2005.

In July 2004, CIFAP approved \$2,000 to support Terry Roe and Rodney Smith in hiring Dr. Haroumi Nelson, a recent Ph.D. student in Economics, to conduct a literature review linking HIV and Economics.

In August 2004, Phil Pardey, following meetings and signing of an MOU with the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, proposed consolidation and development of training activities, research and faculty collaboration with the Academy.

In February 2005, Phil Pardey was granted \$3,000 by CIFAP to develop a website for InSTePP, the International Science and Technology Practice and Policy Center, which he directs.

In March 2005, Don Liu received \$1,500 to bring Ruben Hoffman from the Department of Economics at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences to work with him for several weeks on completing a manuscript. This was supplemented by an additional \$450 in May, 2005.

In April 2005, CIFAP granted \$2,000 to Rodney Smith to support the visit of Dr. Zerihun Alemm to the Applied Economics department from his home at the South African University of the Free State.

In April 2005, CIFAP agreed to provide up to \$5,000 support for Ford Runge's travel to Italy in July to set up further research as part of the U.S.- Italian agreement (see attached trip report).

In April 2005, CIFAP approved \$2,000 to support Louise Letnes to travel to the European Association of Agricultural Economists meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark in August, 2005 to advance her Ag Econ Search tool.

In April 2005, CIFAP authorized \$16,000 for travel by Terry Roe, Bill Easter and Rodney Smith for travel to South Africa in May, 2005 to extend and solidify our relationship there (see attached trip report).

In June 2005, CIFAP granted Paul Glewwe \$2,200 for travel from Vietnam to China to meet with Chinese collaborators in Gansu Province to check on data collection.

In May 2005, CIFAP authorized \$800 toward Paul Glewwe's request for an advance to reserve the Alumni Center for the 2006 Economic Development Conference.

In June 2005, CIFAP advanced \$1,600 to Bill Easter to travel to Sweden for the Stockholm Water Symposium in August, 2005.

In June 2005, CIFAP agreed to provide \$500 to support a request from Harald von Witzke of Humboldt University, Berlin, for the IATRC meetings in December, 2005 in San Diego.

Student Support, 2004-2005

In September 2004, CIFAP covered expenses of \$2,000 for undergraduate Rachael Dettmann's travel to Ethiopia to conduct research. She is now a new graduate student in the department.

In September 2004, Ben Senauer received \$1,957 from CIFAP to fund Barb Wagner, a new M.S. student working on the Hopkins School Feeding project with Ford Runge (see "Project Fundraising" below).

In September 2004, CIFAP agreed to total support to Departmental RA funds of \$60,000 for 2004-2005, for M.S. students Andy Behrens and Steve Dehmer and Ph.D. students Ines Langrock and Yang Liu.

In December 2004, CIFAP provided grants of \$1,000 each to two COAFES undergraduates to participate in the International Field Study Seminar in Costa Rica.

In April 2005, CIFAP granted \$1,200 to Hai Anh Dang Hoang, graduate student, to travel to Vietnam and Singapore to present a paper at the Singapore Economic Review Conference in August, 2005.

In April 2005, CIFAP supported Amy Damon's request for \$1,000 for predissertation research to supplement \$2,500 from the MacArthur program on CAFTA.

A special grant was approved to support Ph.D. student Oswaldo Raimondo in the amount of \$15,000.

In May 2005, after successful gift and grant fundraising by Ford Runge and Ben Senauer from the Cargill Foundation and the McKnight Foundation, three M.S. students were fully or partially funded: Swati Agiwal, Barb Wagner and Corbett Grainger. In addition, the Cargill gift supplemented the CIFAP \$15,000 to Ph.D. student Oswaldo Raimondo with an additional \$16,534.