InFACT-Funded Project Aims to Catalyze Food Entrepreneurs

An InFACT-funded Linkage and Leverage project titled “Catalyzing Food Entrepreneurs”—known as CaFE—seeks to help small-scale producers be successful despite the unique challenges they face. Ohio State Professor of Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics and InFACT faculty hire Wuyang Hu, along with Elizabeth Schuster, environmental economist at Sustainable Economies Consulting, and their team, are working to identify the type of entrepreneurial training and support that non-profit food business incubators can provide to help small-scale producers grow their businesses and thrive.

Read the Story
Emily Glenn

InFACT is pleased to welcome Emily Glenn as our new program coordinator. In this position, Glenn will work with faculty, staff and students to coordinate InFACT’s comprehensive food system research agenda. Glenn, who will be starting in August, has a master’s degree in library science from Kent State University and a BA in journalism from Ohio University. Her research and communication skills will benefit InFACT as she coordinates interdisciplinary research and related communications.

InFACT Faculty Hire Doug Jackson-Smith & Team Awarded $1 Million USDA Grant

An interdisciplinary team of InFACT-affiliated researchers led by School of Environment and Natural Resources Professor and InFACT faculty hire Doug Jackson-Smith has received a $1 million, three-year grant from the USDA’s National Institute of Food and Agriculture’s Inter-Disciplinary Engagement in Animal Systems (IDEAS) grant program. The team of InFACT faculty hires and affiliates will examine the environmental and economic outcomes of a range of crop-livestock integration approaches in collaboration with Ohio farmers to quantify the tradeoffs and synergies of these approaches.
InFACT AFFILIATE ACHIEVEMENTS

InFACT faculty hire Shoshanah Inwood, assistant professor in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences’ School of Environment and Natural Resources, joined host Melinda Hemmelgarn on the Food Sleuth Radio podcast July 1 to discuss the challenges family farmers face with issues like accessing health care and child care. Listen to the episode here.
[Send your news to aduncanson@gifted-communications.com.]

UPCOMING EVENTS

SWACO Seeking Collaborations with Faculty and/or Graduate Students to Develop a Food Recovery Network Map
Contact Aiden Irish, PhD, Food Waste Programs Administrator, at 614-782-9416 or Aiden.irish@swaco.org

Survey Request for Faculty Regarding Tips for Creating Interdisciplinary and Transdisciplinary Dossiers
Take the survey by August 13, 2021

Panel Discussion with Helen Malone: Creating Interdisciplinary Dossiers — A collaboration among InFACT, the Translational Data Analytics Institute, Sustainability Institute and Infectious Diseases Institute
Recording available at link above

Take the Advancing Mobile Meat Needs Survey from The Appalachian Center for Economic Networks, Inc.

Poverty Simulation Co-Hosted by Ohio Association of Foodbanks and Marion Matters — Marion, OH
August 25, 2021, 9:00-11:30 am

The Power of Food: Cultivating Equitable Policy through Collective Action — Kansas City, MO
September 20-22, 2021

National Institutes of Health Virtual Workshop — Food Insecurity, Neighborhood Food Environment, and Nutrition Health Disparities: State of the Science
September 21-23, 2021

Land-Grab Universities Speaker Series: Owning the Truth and Sharing the Path to
FUNDING & OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

MDPI Special Issue Call for Manuscripts: "Smart & Connected Regional Food Systems"
**Deadline: August 15, 2021**

Institute of Food Technologists Seed Grant & Growth Grant Applications
**Deadline: August 16, 2021**

Organic Farming Research Foundation Grants Program
**Letters of Intent Deadline: August 20, 2021**

NSF's Mid-Scale Research Infrastructure 1 or 2 (Mid-scale RI-1 or RI-2)
(OSU login required)
**Internal Deadline: August 23, 2021**

National Academy of Sciences Prize in Food & Agriculture Sciences
**Nomination Deadline: October 4, 2021**

NIFA's Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Foundational and Applied Science
**Deadline: December 15, 2021**

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