

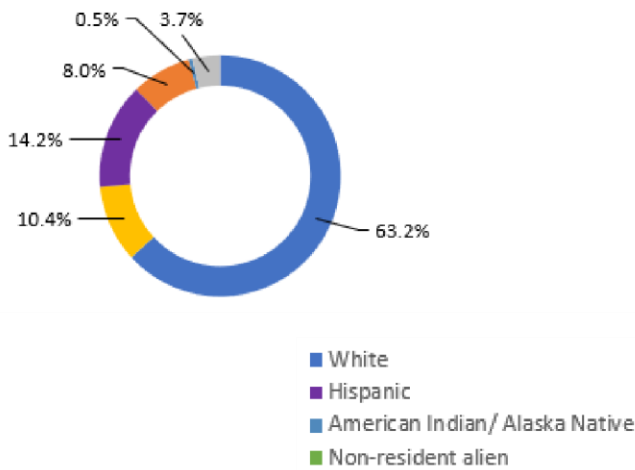
APLU's Request for NIFA Education Funding

USDA projects that each year between 2021 and 2025, there will be more jobs opportunities (59,400) for college graduates in food, agriculture, natural resource and environmental (FANRE) fields than it has graduates from those disciplines (36,112). Experts continue to prove the business case for why diversity in employees matters for a company's profitability by stirring more innovation, better anticipating consumer needs and consumption patterns, and enhancing company resilience. The U.S. agricultural industry will benefit from a college graduating class that reflects the larger population in their age bracket. Census data demonstrates that younger U.S. populations are increasingly diverse, but to date, the demographics of individuals graduating in FARNE fields has not matched this increasing diversity. Increased investment in the following NIFA education programs for food, agriculture and natural resources will ensure the we meet the nation's talent needs for the future.

Program	FY 2022 Requested Amount	Program Description	Authorization	Eligibility	Matching Funds
Multicultural Scholars, Graduate Fellowship, and Institution Challenge Grants (Research and Education Programs)	\$10,400,320	Multicultural Scholars Grants support scholarship programs leading to either baccalaureate degrees within the Food, Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Human (FANH) Sciences or Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) degrees.	7 U.S.C. 3152 (b) (Section 1417 (b) of the National Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching Act of 1977	1862 & 1890 Land-grant Universities and other public and private non-profit colleges and universities that 1) confer baccalaureate degrees in at least one discipline of the food and agricultural sciences (for multicultural scholars and institution challenge grants) or 2) confer a graduate degree in a targeted expertise shortage area (for graduate fellowship grants)	There is no matching requirement.
Education Grants for 1890 Institutions (Research and Education Programs)	\$27,747,680	To strengthen research, teaching, and extension capacity needed to advance fundamental sciences, as well as translational research and development in support of agriculture; and to coordinate opportunities to build on these discoveries at the 1890 Land-Grant Institutions	7 U.S.C. 3152 (b) (4) (Section 1417 (b) (4) of the National Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching Act of 1977	1890 Land-grant universities and Tuskegee University	There is no matching requirement.

Program	FY2021 Enacted	FY2022 President's Budget
Multicultural Scholars, Graduate Fellowship, and Institution Challenge Grants	\$9,500,000	
Education Grants for 1890s Institution	\$23,009,000	

U.S. 2017-18 Bachelor's Degrees - All Majors by Percent Ethnicity



U.S. 2017-18 Bachelor's Degrees - FARNRE Majors by Percent Ethnicity

