

## CASE Affiliate Institutions

The CASE project is building a network of affiliate institutions and post-secondary staff to implement professional development and provide services to students and teachers. The following outlines the ways that affiliate institutions can become a partner in delivering the benefits of CASE to our nation's agricultural education programs.

**Who can become affiliate institutions?** Any accredited post-secondary institution that offers agricultural education or studies in general agriculture.

**How can post-secondary institutions become involved?**

- Host CASE Institutes, which are two-week inservice sessions during the summer months
- Offer graduate credit or continuing education credit for CASE Institute professional development
- Articulate college credit with CASE secondary students who successfully meet CASE standards

**What does an affiliate institution provide during a CASE Institute?**

Hosting a CASE Institute includes providing the following items:

- Classroom and laboratory facilities with appropriate equipment
- Supplies required for the instruction of lessons for the specific course(s)
- Staff for logistical support to assist during the sessions
- Logistical support for billing participants and receiving funds
- Coordination of meals and lodging for institute participants and lead teachers

**How can individual post-secondary staff become involved?**

CASE encourages post-secondary instructors and professors to participate as a student during a CASE Institute. This is a great experience to enrich personal teaching strategies for inquiry-based instruction using activity-, project-, and problem-based modes of delivery. After completing the CASE Institute training, post-secondary staff will assume the title of Affiliate Professor. This entitles them to become a lead teacher for CASE Institutes or use the CASE curriculum in their subject area courses or teacher education courses. Affiliate professors will also be a critical link later in the development of the CASE project when certification of programs happens.

A strong affiliate institution provides all of the opportunities as mentioned above. As competition grows to become host sites and provide leadership within the regions of the country, CASE staff will give preference to host sites that offer credit to students and teachers and that have affiliate professors on staff.

For more about CASE please visit the CASE website at [www.case4learning.org](http://www.case4learning.org). If you wish to become an affiliate professor, please register and plan on attending one of the CASE Institutes. If you wish to have your post-secondary institution become an affiliate, please contact Dan Jansen at [dan.jansen@case4learning.org](mailto:dan.jansen@case4learning.org).