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FEF
Overview & Update
Metalcasting’s educational program at the college level.

Ensuring technically talented graduates are available and ready to enter industry.
FEF Resources...

Scholarships, student travel, lab expenses, regionals, Cast Expo

$122,000 in total support to Virginia Tech in past 4 years
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FEF Network of Key Professors...

Role Model
Influencer

Identifies and develops those students that have a *passion and interest* in metalcasting!
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20 placements from VT into industry
(2013/14 – 2016/17)
What is FEF doing to bring more talent to industry?
Closing the Gap

Expanding scholarship and program support

Increasing $ and types (for internships, for underclassmen)

Building supplemental support funds (via regional campaigns)
Closing the Gap

Improving AFS Student Chapter Focus

Grant money available for recruiting more students into chapter
Closing the Gap

Increasing exposure

More students to College Industry Conference (CIC) and AFS Casting Congress/Expo
Expanding Industry Involvement

Top reason students maintained interest in metalcasting...

Influenced by an engaged and knowledgeable industry person
Connections at AFS Professional chapter meetings, student chapter activities
"The vision for the future lies in the investment that we make in our students"