

# Sales Education Foundation

# Elevating the Sales Profession Through University Education

Established in 2007

Our Mission:

"elevating the sales profession through university education"

SEF promotes university sales education programs, provides Sales research grants, sponsors academic conferences and advocates for the recognition of Sales as a true profession.

#### **Foundation Goals**

Provide information for universities that want to teach professional selling to help them start a program

Encourage new PhD candidates to research, and ultimately teach professional selling by providing grant funding and support

Increase the number of students seeking Sales curricula through promotion of the opportunities

Develop recognized specializations within the Sales arena

Strengthen relations between industry and academia by providing a platform for increasing public awareness

"We at the Sales Education
Foundation have been so gratified to
see the explosive growth of Sales
Programs at the college level in the
last 15+ years. These programs
provide a foundation of solid sales
skills and have on average a +90% job
placement rate at graduation. The
companies which sponsor these
programs and hire the students
report quicker ramp-up times and
vastly reduced turnover rates for their
new hires as opposed to recruits from
the general academic population."

-Sally Stevens SEF Co-Founder

#### The SEF is . . .

A non-profit foundation where academic and industry professionals collaborate for the advancement of Sales education and the industry through education, research, and public awareness

#### The SEF is not ...

An avenue for selling or distributing private products/services or for personal/company exposure and/or financial gain

#### SEF Website

https://salesfoundation.org

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## **Snapshot of Some SEF Initiatives**

# SEF ANNUAL - featuring the "Top Universities and Colleges for Professional Sales Education" listing

The SEF provides sales programs with worldwide exposure by featuring survey data of their offerings in our SEF ANNUAL. SEF supports each institution's efforts to meet their goals for the advancement of the Sales profession and publicizes these efforts through our "Top Sales Universities and Colleges" listing.



Also featured are "Other Notable" programs recognized for offering their students sales education opportunities while progressing toward a formal program. To learn more about requirements for the listing, please contact SEF, 800-776-4436 or email info@salesfoundation.org.

# **SEF Research Grant Program**

The SEF Research Grant Program currently provides two \$5,000 grants annually. A Call for Proposals is announced yearly and recipients are selected by an independent selection committee. Since 2011, SEF has provided over \$150,000 in research grant funding.

## **SEF Career Development Program**

SEF provides university sales program students with the opportunity to participate in the Chally Assessment<sup>TM</sup>. Supported by Chally, this program has served over 36,000 professional sales students since 2010. Support materials and training are provided to professors at no cost.

## **Support for Educational Workshops and Conferences**

SEF sponsors several academic workshops and conference events. Funding has been provided to many educator conferences and workshops including the Sales Educators' Academy, Sales Researcher's Collaboration Consortium, AMA Sales SIG, GSSI and others.

Visit the SEF website - https://salesfoundation.org to find the latest edition of the **SEF ANNUAL** and more information from SEF.

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"The Sales Education Foundation has been an incredible partner in the SEA program. Whether its providing funding for doctoral student scholarships or bringing world-class speakers to Orlando, the SEF has always stepped up to support the Sales Educators' Academy."

-Leff Bonney Florida State University SEA Co-Founder