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Personal Information:

Edward Hellman is Professor of Viticulture and holds a joint appointment with Texas Cooperative Extension. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Horticulture from the University of Illinois, and his Ph.D. in Plant Science from the University of Arkansas.

Dr. Hellman plans and conducts research and Extension educational programs in viticulture in support of the Texas grape and wine industry. His educational program offers workshops, symposia, field days, and on-farm research demonstrations to instruct growers in improved grape management practices. He has created an award-winning website, the **Texas Winegrape**Network, as a comprehensive information resource for grape producers. Dr. Hellman recently launched a Viticulture Certificate program awarding continuing education units (noncredit) jointly offered by Texas Tech University and Texas Cooperative Extension. Viticulture research is focused on grape production practices, including identification of adapted grape varieties and rootstocks, and grapevine physiology in relation to the environment.

Research Interests:

Dr. Hellman's research program investigates the physiological basis of grape variety adaptation to climate, conducts evaluations of wine grape varieties and rootstocks, studies the distribution of Pierce's disease in Texas using a geographic information system (GIS), and is developing a GIS for vineyard site assessment in Texas.

- Career Vita
- Research
- Hellman website: Texas Winegrape Network