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PART E - EDUCATION PROFESSIONS DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1967*  

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Under the grants just made, fellowship and training programs will be conducted by colleges and universities in 45 states and the District of Columbia next summer and during the 1969-70 academic year. Included are 51 fellowship programs, in support of 421 fellowships and 74 institute and short-term training programs and four special projects. A substantial portion of the funding was in support of training personnel for community colleges and training directed to the needs of the disadvantaged.  

Since a much wider range of institutions were eligible to apply as compared with, for example, the group of institutions receiving NDEA Title IV fellowship support, the volume of applications received was far in excess of funding possibilities. Applications included 350 fellowship, 400 institute and 130 special project proposals, totaling $66,000,000. Obviously, there were many high quality proposals which could not be funded.  

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