

## CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

### ***ATTENTION GRADUATE STUDENTS IN AGRIBUSINESS AND AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS!!!***

#### **PARTICIPATE IN THE 2018 AGRICULTURAL & APPLIED ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION AEM/GRADUATE STUDENT SECTION CASE STUDY COMPETITION**

The AEM/Graduate Student Section Case Study Competition allows graduate students to test their communication skills and their ability to apply their knowledge of agricultural economics and agribusiness subjects to practical situations. Students competing in the competition will receive a copy of the case study at least two weeks in advance of the AAEA annual meetings.

**AEM/GSS Case Study Competition Rules:** Each team should prepare an oral summary of their solution to the case that will last no more than 15 minutes. Presentations lasting over 15 minutes will be penalized. After the presentation, teams should be prepared to answer questions from the judges on their interpretation of the case.

Teams can be comprised of up to three graduate students. Students may either compete as a team from the same school, or may choose to be mixed with students from other schools. If there is only one student from a school that wants to participate, the student can compete on their own, or he/she can be matched with other students. In the case of teams that are matched with individuals from different universities, competitors will be notified of their teammates as soon as possible, but no later than the same day the case is announced.

**AEM/GSS Case Study Competition Prizes:** The top three teams will receive plaques and cash prizes.

- **First Place:** \$300
- **Second Place:** \$200
- **Third Place:** \$100

**Specific Information for the 2018 Case Study Competition:** The number of rounds will be determined by the number of teams entered. The final round will be composed of the top 3 teams. In addition to plaques and cash prizes, the three finalist teams will also be recognized during the AAEA Awards Ceremony.

- **Sunday, August 5, 8:00am – 3:00pm:** First Rounds of Competition
- **Monday, August 6, 1:30pm – 4:00pm:** Final Round (if necessary)
- **Monday, August 6, 6:00pm – 7:15pm:** Awards Ceremony

**Students participating in the case study competition will need to be registered for the Annual Meeting AND the Case Study Competition.**

1. Students should register for the AAEA Annual Meeting through the 2018 Annual Meeting Registration Form which is available online at <http://www.aea.org/meetings/2018-aea-annual-meeting/registration-travel/annual-meeting-registration>.

2. Each team must also complete the Case Study registration form identifying their teammates and send it to AAEA no later than **June 15 2018**.

Please direct any questions regarding the **2018 AAEA Case Study Competition** to Dr. Eric Micheels ([eric.micheels@usask.ca](mailto:eric.micheels@usask.ca)) or GSS Section Chair, William Maples ([wmaples@okstate.edu](mailto:wmaples@okstate.edu)).