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AAEA News

Call for Applications:

Managing Editor of the Applied Economics Perspectives and Policy

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degree to which candidate's expertise complements that of the continuing editors will be considered in the selection process. AAEA is particularly interested in candidates who will bring ideas and innovations for helping *AEPP* to further its mission. Information about *AEPP*, its policies, and mission is available at www.aaea.org/publications/aepp.

Managing Editor Responsibilities

The Managing Editor will work with an editorial team comprised of two additional Submitted Article Editors to manage the manuscript review process. The Managing Editor responsibilities include:

- Development and management of Featured Articles
- Submitted manuscript management which includes, but is not limited to, monitoring review timelines and distribution of submissions
- Oversight of special projects such as special issues and supplements
- Manage communications between editors
- · Liaise on behalf of the journal with OUP and the AAEA Board

The AEPP editorial process employs electronic submission of manuscripts and interchange between editors and reviewers. An electronic system that tracks manuscripts through submission, review, and editorial decision is used by the editors for managing work flow. Authors can also query this system for email reports on the status in the editorial process of a submitted manuscript. The editors also oversee the work of Oxford University Press in preparing copy for printing and reviewing proofs.

The new editor should be prepared to begin on January 1, 2017. There may be some training and coordination work starting around November 1, 2016.

Application Requirements

Applications should include:

- A statement of editorial philosophy and ideas for furthering the journal's goals
- Indication of the candidate's principal areas of expertise to support the AEPP's mission
- Curriculum vitae
- Statement of administrative and financial support to be provided by the host institution

AAEA will provide financial assistance to defray some portion of the editor's time and most expenses. Applications should be sent electronically via PDF to Brian Mondragón Jones, Executive Director, at bmjones@aaea.org by May 1, 2016. Decisions will be made by early June.

Third-party nominations of potentially interested candidates who can then be solicited for their materials are also welcome.

Call for Applications:

Editorship of the Applied Economics Perspectives and Policy

The AAEA Executive Board invites applications for one Editor for *Applied Economics Perspectives and Policy (AEPP)* to serve from 2017 through 2019. This call for applications is for an editor to manage Submitted Articles which contain original research results addressing real–world problems with sound research approaches and/or have strong policy relevance within the subject matter of the journal. The degree to which candidate's expertise complements that of the continuing editors will be considered in the selection process. AAEA is particularly interested in candidates who will bring ideas and innovations for helping *AEPP* to further its mission.

Submitted articles will meet the normal standards for scholarly publication, but should also be accessible to the broader audience of agricultural and applied economists working outside academia. Submitted articles should emphasize one or more of the following: a) practical implications for public policy; b) clarification of research implications so as to maximize accessibility and cross-fertilization across specific areas of research; c) empirical comparison of competing theories, explanations, and approaches that can refine future research; and d) development of fruitful directions for future research. Additional information about the *AEPP*, its policies and mission is available at www.aaea.org/publications/aepp.

The editor will work with an editorial team comprised of another Submitted Articles Editor and a Managing Editor to manage the manuscript

review process. The Submitted Articles Editors are responsible for day-to-day issues relating to submitted articles, assisting with development of the Special Issues, and revising editorial policy. The AEPP editorial process employs electronic submission of manuscripts and interchange between editors and reviewers. An electronic system that tracks manuscripts through submission, review, and editorial decision is used by the editors for managing work flow. Authors can also query this system for email reports on the status in the editorial process of a submitted manuscript. The editors also oversee the work of Oxford University Press in preparing copy for printing and reviewing proofs.

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Registration & Housing are Open: 2016 AAEA Annual Meeting

AAFA ANNUAL MEETING The majority of the 2016 AAEA Annual **2016** July 31 - August 2

Meeting activities will take place at the Boston Marriott Copley Place in Boston, MA. Room blocks have been secured and all rooms are on a firstcome, first-served basis. Deadline date

for the AAEA group rate is Thursday, July 7. Reserve your room in advance to guarantee a room at the discounted AAEA rate.

To make a hotel reservation under the AAEA roomblock or make modifications, please visit https://aws.passkey.com/e/14295768 or call 1-877-901-6632 and mention that you are part of AAEA.

Boston Marriott Copley Place 110 Huntington Ave, Boston, MA 02116



Room rates:

Single/double: \$190.00 Triple: \$210.00 Quadruple: \$230.00

Registration:

Attendees will have access to concurrent sessions, plenary sessions, the Poster Reception and Welcome Reception on Sunday night, and the Closing Reception on Tuesday night. Tickets for the luncheon, the banquet, and Pre-and Post- conference Workshops are not included with the main registration fee, but can be purchased on-site up until the day before the event.

Beautifully appointed and perfectly located, the Boston Marriott Copley Place inspires truly unforgettable experiences for business and leisure travelers. The hotel places you in the heart of downtown Boston's famed Copley Square, just a short distance from some of the city's most popular attractions. Sophisticated

	Registration Prices:		
Туре	Early (Before and on May 25)	=	On-site (After July 8)
Professional Member	\$405	\$480	\$555
Professional Non-Member	\$555	\$630	\$705
Senior Member	\$295	\$370	\$445
Senior Non- Member	\$415	\$490	\$565
Graduate Student Member	\$105	\$140	\$180
Graduate Student Non- Member	\$230	\$265	\$310
*Undergraduate registrations done via telephone, (414) 918-3190.			

rooms and suites offer plush bedding and high-speed Internet access; some also feature Charles River views. Enjoy delicious American dining and a vibrant atmosphere at the hotel sports bar, Champions, or stop by Connexion Lounge for a glass of wine. Relax after a busy day by swimming a lap or two in the heated indoor pool. Your downtown adventure begins at the Boston Marriott Copley Place. To register or book your stay, please visit the 2016 AAEA Annual Meeting Site.

Register Online

Download PDF Form

Renew Your AAEA Membership for 2016

You can now renew your AAEA membership for 2016 on the <u>AAEA website</u>. Simply log in to the "My Account" section to renew. Completing your renewal online saves you time by filling out most of the information for you automatically.

You will need to be a current AAEA member in order to vote in the **Executive Board Election**, which runs April 15-May 15.

2016 Executive Election Candidates:

President-Elect

<u>GianCarlo Moschini, Iowa State University</u> <u>Scott Swinton, Michigan State University</u>

Director

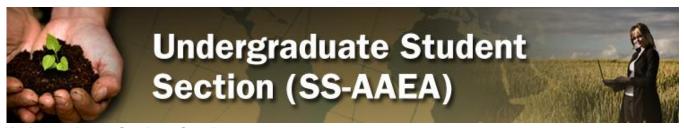
Joe Balagtas, Purdue University

Jeffrey Dorfman, University of Georgia

Ken Foster, Purdue University

Madhu Khanna, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign





Undergraduate Student Section:

2016 AAEA Annual Meeting Activities

On behalf of the Undergraduate Student Section of the Agricultural & Applied Economics Association, we cordially invite you and your students to attend and participate in the AAEA Annual Meeting in Boston (July 31-August 2, 2016). Our section offers a wide variety of professional development opportunities for undergraduate students of agricultural and applied economics:

- Academic Bowl Competition
- Student Paper Competition
- Earl O. Heady Decision Sciences Spreadsheet Competition
- Outstanding Chapter Competition
- Creative Club Competition

In addition to the aforementioned competitions, students can interact with representatives of major graduate programs in our profession to discuss MS and PhD programs. Our reception on Sunday night (July 31, 2016) is a great opportunity for your students to meet and forge lifelong friendships with other students from over 20 domestic and several Canadian universities. On Monday night,

immediately following the final round of the Academic Bowl Competition, we recognize and celebrate student accomplishments at the Awards Ceremony. Additionally on Monday night, in our section's business meeting, students have the opportunity to run for elected student leadership positions within our section.

To encourage participation, the student registration fees this year are only \$20 per student. As a further incentive to participate, there is a total of \$1,800 in prize money, various award plaques, and of course bragging rights to be national champions in a given competition. All of the required registration forms, competition rules, and overview of the Undergraduate Student Section may be found at http://www.aaea.org/membership/sections/ss-aaea/. If you have any questions, please contact me at Tyler.Mark@uky.edu.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tyler Mark

Assistant Professor

University of Kentucky

Faculty Leadership:

Dr. Tyler Mark (Senior Advisor)

Dr. Timothy Meyer (Junior Advisor)

Dr. Maria Bampasidou (Sophomore Advisor)

Dr. Andrew Wright (Freshman Advisor)

Student Leadership:

Luke Benton (President)

Macy Herzog (Vice President)

Destinie Marshall (Secretary)

Andrew (Treasurer)

Hollee Koester (Public Relations)

Call for Participation: AEM/GSS Sections 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.

Rules

Each team should prepare an oral summary of their solution to the case that will last no more than 15 minutes. Presentations lasting longer than 15 minutes will be penalized. After the

Agribusiness Economics and Management (AEM)



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.

Prizes

The top three teams will receive plaques and cash prizes.

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

Specific Information

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, July 31, 8:00am 3:00pm: First Rounds of Competition
- Monday, August 1, 1:30pm 4:00pm:
 Final Round

 Monday, August 1, 6:30pm - 7:30pm: Awards Ceremony

*Students participating in the case study competition will need to be registered for the 2016 AAEA Annual Meeting AND the Case Study Competition.

Students should register for the AAEA Annual Meeting through the 2016 Annual Meeting Registration Form which is available online at http://www.aaea.org/meetings/2016-aaea-annual-meeting/registration.

Each team must also complete the Case Study registration form identifying their teammates and send it to AAEA no later than **June 13**, **2016**. The form can be accessed online at http://www.aaea.org/membership/sections/gss/case-study-competition.

Please direct any questions regarding the 2016 AAEA Case Study Competition to Dr. James Sterns (jasterns@oregonstate.edu) or GSS Section Chair, Clint Neill (clinton.neill@okstate.edu).

Call for Submissions 2017 ASSA Annual Meeting

President-elect Jayson Lusk is soliciting proposals and suggestions for AAEA invited paper sessions at the 2017 Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA) Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, January, 6–8, 2017. Preference will be given to those proposals that add to knowledge on public issues of national and international importance or expand capabilities and tools for economic research.

Objective

AAEA sessions at the ASSA Annual Meeting share new knowledge with members of other economics associations as well as with AAEA members. Sessions may be jointly sponsored with other ASSA member associations. AAEA encourages sessions that will draw widely from ASSA attendees. Therefore, preference will be given to proposals that jointly serve the interests of the AAEA and other economists more broadly.

Publication in AIAE

Papers in these Invited Paper sessions will be considered for publication in the American Journal of Agricultural Economics (AJAE) in August 2017. Preference will be given to proposals that reflect a commitment to furnish a high-quality collection of papers suitable for publication. Papers will go through a review process, and it is not guaranteed that all papers in an accepted session will be published. Papers submitted for review should be in their publish-ready state because there will not be time for multiple versions and reviews. Discussant comments will not be published. Authors will be contacted by the AJAE editors regarding style and length of manuscripts to be submitted to the editors for publication consideration.

Format

Proposed session formats with three papers and one discussant or four papers without a discussant are permitted. Proposals for sessions without a discussant must include a clear plan for ensuring and fostering participant interaction. Please note that sessions at ASSA are two hours in length.

Submitting Proposals

All submitted proposals should include:

- Proposed session title
- A brief (approximately two pages) justification of the session

- Paper titles
- One paragraph abstract describing the objective of, and new knowledge generated by, each paper
- Names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of the session organizer, moderator, paper presenters, and discussants

It is the responsibility of the organizer to ensure that all individuals identified in the proposal are willing to participate.

All presenters/speakers/discussants must be members of AAEA. A membership waiver request can be included in the proposal in the case of extenuating circumstances. In addition, participants need to register for the ASSA meeting. AAEA cannot grant registration waivers for the meeting.

Submission Deadline

Please send proposals by May 1, 2016, in Word or PDF format to AAEA Senior Meetings Manager, Mary Annen at mannen@aaea.org.

Selection Process

Proposals will be reviewed and selected by a subcommittee of the AAEA Board. Notifications of acceptance will be distributed in June.



Other News

2016-2 GTAP 101 Course

"Introduction to Computable General Equilibrium Modeling"

September 12 - October 28, 2016

The 2016-2 GTAP 101 Course is being organized by the <u>Center for Global Trade Analysis</u> and will be delivered fully online, led by <u>Dr. Mary Burfisher</u>.



Objective

The objective of the GTAP 101 course is to engage participants in an active, team-based process of learning about the GTAP computable general equilibrium (CGE) model and its use in applied economic policy analysis. The curriculum emphasizes an intuitive and graphical treatment of economic theory in the CGE model, and provides structured experiences in manipulating and running the standard GTAP Model within the RunGTAP software environment. RunGTAP is an intuitive, menu-driven CGE model that minimizes technological hurdles and allows students to quickly begin to focus on their economic thinking and experimentation. The curriculum is geared to advanced undergraduates, graduates and professionals. At the end of the course, participants will be entry-level modelers and more informed consumers of CGE-based analyses. The course also serves as an entry point for developing the technical skills required for the GTAP Short Course.

During the online course, participants will:

- Review core economic theories from macro, micro, trade and public finance and observe how they
 are operationalized in an applied general equilibrium model;
- Learn to recognize, control and interpret the theoretically consistent behavior of consumers and producers in the model;
- Observe the aggregated, macroeconomic impacts of microeconomic behaviors;
- Define model experiments that represent real-world issues and problems; and
- Learn to interpret general equilibrium model results by calling on and integrating their knowledge of multiple fields of economic study.

Structure

The course is fully delivered online, and is supported by the textbook, <u>Introduction to Computable General Equilibrium Models</u> (Burfisher, 2011), which will be provided to all participants. Additional learning resources include audio lectures, guided video simulations, and assessments. Much of the learning will take place through active discussions among the participants and instructor, which are carried out as asynchronous, threaded conversations on the classroom bulletin board. Topics covered in this course include: Database, Demand, Supply, Factor Markets, Trade and Taxes. The course culminates in a group research project which provides participants with a hands-on opportunity to carry out a model experiment and analyze its economy-wide effects.

Application

Individuals interested in taking this course must apply on the GTAP website April 1-June 26, 2016. Applications will be reviewed after the deadline and those individuals accepted will receive an email detailing how to register and submit payment in August. Please note that application does not guarantee acceptance.

Cost

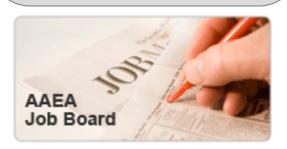
The registration fees for this course are detailed below and include the course textbook as well as instruction during the online course.

- \$1,400 (Standard Rate: Developed Country Professionals)
- \$600 (Discounted Rate: All Current Students and Developing Country Professionals)
- \$100 (Scholarship Rate: A limited number of scholarships are available to applicants residing in a developing country.)

For further information or to apply, please visit the course homepage on the GTAP website at: http://www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu/events/GTAP101/2016-2/.

Job Openings

- Clinical Assistant Professor, **Agricultural Commodity Markets** University of Illinois, Agricultural & **Consumer Economics**
- Extension Educator Cropping Systems (Clay, Nuckolls, Thayer & Fillmore Counties)
- University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- Department Head, DARE **Colorado State University**



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