

AAEA News



The AAEA Business office would like to wish each of you a happy and healthy holiday season! We would like to share our sincere gratitude for your support of the Association and profession. Thank you to everyone that participated in the 2022 AAEA Annual Meeting, track sessions, organized symposia and other sessions. These activities continue to connect all of us and move the profession forward – thank you!

We look forward to providing continued support as you make positive differences within the Agricultural and Applied Economic fields. Your membership and involvement makes AAEA what it is, and we appreciate the dedication of your time and talents to our field and the Association.

We are grateful for your contributions and hope you will continue to add value to AAEA through your partnership with us. If you would like to become more involved in AAEA, please reach out by email to info@aea.org or by calling (414) 918-3190.

From all of us at the AAEA Business Office, we wish you a happy, healthy and safe holiday season, and a joyous New Year!

Sincerely,

The AAEA Staff:

*Dave Baumann, Kristen McGuire, Allison Ware, Mary Annen, Jessica Weister,
Michael Storey, and Austin Sparbel*

*(AAEA Staff will be out of the office starting December 23, 2022,
and will be returning to the office on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.)*

Selected Presentation Papers and Posters

Call for Abstracts

AAEA seeks submissions for Selected Presentations for the 2023 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. Selected Presentations are a submission category that represents both Selected Papers and Selected Posters. All submissions are reviewed and accepted together, and only after acceptance are the submissions designated as a paper or poster. At the time of submission, individuals will have the option for their submission to be considered as a poster only. There is no paper only option. Abstracts must be received by **Wednesday, January 17, 2023 11:59 PM CST**, and should be submitted using AAEA's online [Abstract Management System](#).

Submissions for Selected Presentations must include a two-page, single-spaced abstract that provides a clear explanation of what will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Presenting author and co-authors should include in this abstract a discussion of the relevance of the topic, research methodology, and potential for generating discussion during the meeting. Please do not include your name or contact information in the abstract file.

Tips for selecting a Subject Code

When submitting your paper to the abstract system you will need to select a subject code. The subject code you select is the category your paper will be grouped in when being reviewed based on a common topic. If accepted, sessions are comprised of abstracts with the same subject codes. To assist you with selecting a subject code, the Selected Presentations Committee created [keywords for each of the subject codes](#). We recommend you refer to the [keywords for subject codes](#) to help you determine the subject code for your submission.

Abstracts must be received by **Wednesday, January 17, 2023 11:59 PM CST**, and should be submitted using AAEA's online Abstract Management System. Material previously presented at other meetings cannot be accepted, and the submitting author will be asked to verify that the material has not been presented elsewhere. When entering the title of your abstract, please be sure to submit it as you would like it to appear in the program – with proper capitalization and punctuation.

Review Process

All submissions are subjected to a common, double-blind review process. After the review process has been completed, topic leaders will construct coherent Selected Paper Sessions and Lightning Sessions based on a common topic. All remaining accepted presentations will be assigned as a poster. Presentation proposal acceptance notifications will be sent via email to presenters in March. Emails may be received in spam folders. Should you not find an email by mid-April, please feel free to contact the AAEA Business Office at info@aaea.org or at (414) 918-3190.

Posters

Poster presenters should be available during their assigned interval during the meeting for questions and discussion. The event program and mobile app will list the poster titles, authors, locations, and presentation time. Poster presenters must submit a PDF version of their poster to the AAEA submission site by **May 17, 2023 11:59 PM CST**. A cover page must be included before uploading. Please prepare a Cover Page using [this template](#) and append it to your pdf file before uploading. Please keep submissions under 4 MB. AAEA will upload these posters to the AgEcon Search. Posters that miss this deadline will be withdrawn from the program.

Selected Paper Sessions and Lightning Sessions

Up to 8 papers are included in a 90-minute Lightning Session, and up to 4 papers are included in a 90-minute Selected Paper Session. Therefore, each paper presentation in a Lightning Session is allotted 9 minutes, with 7 minutes to present and 2 minutes for discussion. Likewise, each presentation in a Selected Paper Session is allotted 20 minutes, with 15 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for discussion.

Presenters of Selected Papers must submit a full version of their paper to the AAEA submission site by **May 17, 2023 11:59 PM CST**. A cover page must be included before uploading. Please prepare a cover page using [this template](#) and append it to your pdf file before uploading. Please keep submissions under 4 MB. AAEA will upload these papers to the AgEcon Search. Papers that miss this deadline will be withdrawn from the program. The full version of the paper has no length limitations, but less than 25 pages is preferred. Double-spaced, 8.5 by 11-inch, single-sided format is requested. Please follow the American Journal of Agricultural Economics [style guidelines](#), with the exception of the single table/figure per page convention.

Submit your Selected Presentation in the online [Abstract Management System](#). Visit the [2023 AAEA Annual Meeting Webpage](#) for additional information

Call for Proposals: Organized Symposia

AAEA seeks submissions for Organized Symposia for the 2023 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. Proposals are due by **Wednesday, January 17, 2023**, and should be submitted using AAEA's online submission system. Submit session proposals through the abstract submission [website](#).

Organized Symposium sessions highlight ideas or works-in-progress on a topic involving cooperative or competing efforts by two or more panelists. Symposia may involve panel discussions of prepared questions, debates, roundtable meetings, or other formats. Formal paper presentations are discouraged, nonetheless if such presentations are proposed, the organizer should explain how they will fit into a tightly coherent theme. In all cases, at least half of the session time should be reserved for discussion among the panelists and between the panelists and the audience.

Symposia may offer discussions of policy issues, research methods, emerging research results, teaching or outreach topics, issues in professional organization, or other matters. Proposals should include: session title, session rationale, names and contact information for the organizer and other participants, and a description of the symposium format that includes plans for discussion.

At least one proposer for the organized symposium must be a member of AAEA, and all presenters, speakers, and/or discussants at the Annual Meeting must be members of AAEA and registered for the Annual Meeting by **Thursday, May 17, 2023**.

If you have any questions about submitting an Organized Symposia session proposal, please contact Mary Annen at mannen@aaea.org or at (414) 918-3190.

Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis Award

The Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis Award recognizes outstanding impact on agricultural, food, environmental, development and other related policy, based on sound foundations in

economic theory, in the tradition of [Bruce Gardner](#). Policy issues are interpreted in their broadest sense. They may relate to either a national or international situation. The purpose of the award is to encourage sound economic analysis of a broad set of public policy issues that provides timely and relevant information for more effective public policy and program discussions. The award is intended to focus attention on important efforts in research, education or public service, which facilitate the policy process and improve public performance and understanding. A maximum of one award is given annually. The award will carry a cash prize of \$1,500 and plaque of recognition financed by the Bruce Gardner Memorial Special Purpose Fund of the [AAEA Trust](#). The Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis Award Subcommittee is encouraged to generate nominations to assure that all outstanding policy contributions are considered.

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due on **February 8, 2023**. Nominations may be submitted by individuals, groups, or institutions. An individual nominated for the award, or at least one individual in the case of a group nomination, must be a 2023 AAEA member. Winners will be selected on the basis of supporting materials showing major contributions within the previous five years. Re-nominations are invited provided the supporting materials are updated.

To nominate, fill out the Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis Award Nomination Form linked below. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the award nomination materials in the order listed below. Please save the PDF file as a nominee's "Last Name, First Name" (ex: Smith, John).

Nomination Materials

Nomination Letter:

- Maximum of three single-spaced pages
- Must include each nominee's name, affiliation, and email address, and the nominator's name, affiliation, and email address
- Explains the nominee's or nominees' contributions in a general sense

Documentary evidence supporting the nominee's or nominees' contributions to the understanding of public policy and related impact on the development of public policy

- Electronic format is preferred
- If materials must be submitted in hard copy form, seven copies of documentary evidence shall be submitted to the AAEA Business Office at 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222895265819167>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Distinguished Extension/Outreach Program Awards

The Distinguished Extension/Outreach Program Awards recognize achievement of excellence in extension economics education programs. Awards may recognize not only individual programs, but also significant contributions of an individual economist to a larger, group program. We encourage submissions from women, underrepresented minorities, and members from a broad set of academic, government, industry and NGO organizations.

Each year, one award for each of the following categories is given:

- Individual with fewer than 10 years' experience
- Individual with 10 or more years' experience
- Group*

*The Group Award recognizes the overall effectiveness, impact and contributions of a single program.

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due on **February 8, 2023**. The nominator and the nominee(s), or at least one individual in the case of a group nomination, must both be 2023 AAEA members. The nominee(s) must have been active in extension education and/or outreach programs within one year of the nomination and the content of extension/outreach effort must be principally in an agricultural or applied economics field as defined by the [AAEA Vision Statement](#). Re-nominations are invited if supporting materials are brought up to date and resubmitted.

To nominate, fill out the Distinguished Extension/Outreach Program Award Nomination Form at the bottom of the page. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the Award Nomination Materials in the order listed below.

Nomination Materials

Nomination Letter

- Maximum of three single spaced pages
- Summarize the reasons why the nominee is worthy of the award
- Focus on hard evidence that the nominee meets the criteria

A short curriculum vitae of the nominee for individual awards

- Maximum of four single spaced pages

Up to three items (publications, videos, computer programs, etc.) of supporting materials

- Electronic format is preferred
- If materials must be submitted in hard copy form, seven copies of documentary evidence shall be submitted to the AAEA Business Office at 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Evaluation

Each nominee will be evaluated on the quality of work indicated by the nomination letter and supporting materials relative to the following criteria:

1. Ability to clearly define an important problem and target audience. Special consideration will be given to programs and professionals that expand the reach of the profession by identifying and targeting underserved, nontraditional and/or new audiences
2. Proficiency in conceptualizing and applying educational approaches, which utilize appropriate qualitative and quantitative analysis, primarily economics, but with other relevant disciplines included if appropriate
3. Effective communication, as measured by appropriateness of teaching materials to intended audience, quality of communication media, and innovation in communication methods
4. Evidence of accomplishment and impact through improved understanding, decision-making, or behavioral change in the target audience

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222895707633162>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Distinguished Teaching Awards

The Distinguished Teaching Awards recognize and encourage meritorious performance in undergraduate and graduate teaching in agricultural or applied economics as defined by the [AAEA vision statement](#). These award winners will demonstrate outstanding ability and strong performance in fulfilling the teaching mission of agricultural or applied economics as defined by the AAEA Vision Statement. We encourage submissions from women, underrepresented minorities, and members from a broad set of academic, government, industry and NGO organizations.

Each year, one award for each of the following categories is given:

- Less than ten years' undergraduate and/or graduate teaching experience
- Ten or more years' undergraduate teaching
- Ten or more years' graduate teaching

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due on **February 8, 2023**.

- Nominators and Nominees must be 2023 members of AAEA
- Re-nominations are encouraged, provided materials are updated and resubmitted. If a nominee has previously won a Distinguished Teaching Award, the selection is based on activities subsequent to the previous award
- Nominees must be actively engaged in teaching at a professional level during the 2022-2023 school year

To nominate, fill out the online Distinguished Teaching Award Nomination Form below. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the Award Nomination Materials in the order listed below.

Nomination Materials

Nomination Letter

- Maximum of 3 single-spaced pages
- It will be the centerpiece for evaluation and should contain a concise statement summarizing reasons why the nominee is worthy of the award. The letter of nomination should have itemized descriptions (each separated by subsection) of how the nominee meets/excels the five criteria as listed in the evaluation section (see "Evaluation").

Biography of the nominee emphasizing current and past teaching achievements

- Maximum of 2 single-spaced pages

Statement of teaching philosophy by the nominee

- Maximum of 1 single-spaced page

(Optional) Appendix devoted to evaluation of teaching quality

- Maximum of 5 single-spaced pages

(Optional) Supporting materials

- Limited to three items (publications, videos, computer programs, etc.) of the nominee's best examples of quality work

- Electronic format is preferred
- If unable to submit electronically, please contact the AAEA Business Office at info@aaea.org to make alternative arrangements.

Evaluation

The following five major areas are considered in evaluating nominations:

1. Quality of teaching
2. Academic advising, counseling, extracurricular activities, and career support with students
3. Campus participation in instructional, course, and curricular improvement efforts
4. Evidence of a commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity and inclusion within and through teaching efforts, including but not limited to (i) creating and revising coursework, experiential learning opportunities, curriculum and programmatic initiatives, (ii) student mentoring initiatives, and (iii) leadership in engaging campus stakeholders and peers within the applied economics discipline.
5. Professional development leading to improvement in teaching for benefit of self and peers
6. Department/college/university teaching awards and other teaching related recognitions at national/international level

It is required that nomination packets explicitly address all 6 review areas.

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to <https://form.jotform.com/222895387681169>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award

The Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award is given in recognition of development of professional excellence by persons writing doctoral dissertations in any field consistent with the [AAEA vision statement](#). A maximum of three awards are given each year, and a \$1000 cash prize accompanies each award.

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due **February 8, 2023**.

- The nominator must be a 2023 AAEA member.
- One nomination may be submitted for every 12 doctoral dissertations of a department that was presented to a graduate school faculty in the calendar year preceding the year of recognition. Selection will be made from documentation approved in final form by the student's advisory committee. Departments should limit nomination consideration to dissertations in fields consistent with the vision statement.
- A published dissertation may be entered for the Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award as well as other AAEA Annual Awards but is only eligible to win one award that year.

To nominate, fill out the online Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award Nomination Form linked below. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the Award Nomination Materials in the order listed below.

Award Nomination Materials

Nomination Letter

- Maximum of three single spaced pages
- Concise statement summarizing the reasons why the nominee is worthy of the award

Copy of the dissertation

- Electronic format is preferred
- If materials must be submitted in hard copy form, nine copies of the publication should be sent to the AAEA Business Office at 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222896699475177>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Outstanding Master's Thesis Awards

The Outstanding Master's Thesis Award is given in recognition of development of professional excellence by individuals writing master's theses in any field consistent with the [AAEA mission statement](#). A maximum of three awards are given. A cash supplement of \$500 accompanies each award.

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due **February 8, 2023**.

- The nominator must be a 2023 AAEA member.
- One nomination can be submitted for every 15 Master's theses of a department presented to a graduate school faculty in the calendar year preceding the year of recognition. Selection will be made from documentation approved in final form by the student's advisory committee. In determining eligible theses, departments should limit nomination consideration to theses in fields consistent with the AAEA mission statement.
- A published thesis may be entered for the Outstanding Master's Thesis Award, as well as other AAEA Annual Awards, but is only eligible to win one award that year.

To nominate, fill out the online Outstanding Master's Thesis Award Nomination Form linked below. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the Award Nomination Materials in the order listed below.

Award Nomination Materials

Nomination Letter

- Maximum of three single spaced pages
- A concise statement summarizing reasons the nominee/thesis is worthy of the award

Copy of the thesis (or comparable document)

- Electronic format is preferred
- If materials must be submitted in hard copy form, nine copies of the publication should be sent to the AAEA Business Office at 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222895318728165>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Publication of Enduring Quality Award

The Publication of Enduring Quality Award is granted to encourage excellence in publications in fields consistent with the [AAEA Vision Statement](#). A maximum of one award is given each year for a publication with a publication date falling at least ten years prior to the year of recognition. Entries are judged on the basis of their enduring quality as evidenced by impact to the discipline (eg citations, subsequent contributions). Competition is focused on one specific publication by the author(s), one of whom was a member of the Association at the time of publication, and not on the cumulative work of the author(s).

We encourage submissions from women, underrepresented minorities, and members from a broad set of academic, government, industry, and NGO organizations.

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due **February 8, 2023**. Entries may be submitted by departments or other administrative units, by colleagues, or by the authors themselves.

To nominate, fill out the online Publication of Enduring Quality Award Nomination Form linked below. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the Award Nomination Materials in the order listed below.

Nomination Materials

- Nomination Letter
 - Maximum of three single-spaced pages
 - Document explaining the publication's contributions to the profession
- Copy of the publication
 - Electronic format is preferred
 - If materials must be submitted in hard copy form, seven copies of the publication should be sent to the AAEA Business Office at 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222894570773164>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Quality of Communication Award

The Quality of Communication Award is granted to encourage excellence in publications in fields consistent with the [AAEA vision statement](#). A maximum of two awards are given each year. Entries must demonstrate superior communication of concepts or knowledge in any subject matter of professional specialization (i.e., teaching, research, policy analysis or extension) in agricultural and applied economics as defined by the vision

statement. We encourage submissions from women, underrepresented minorities and members from a broad set of academic, government, industry and NGO organizations.

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due **February 8, 2023**.

- An individual nominated for the award, or at least one individual in the case of a group nomination, must be a 2023 AAEA member. No requirements regarding number of authors or professional experience are imposed.
- Publications must have been published in 2022.
- A given article is eligible for only one award in either the Quality of Research Discovery or Quality of Communication category. Nominations should be submitted for only one category, which is clearly identified.

To nominate, fill out the online Quality of Communication Award Nomination Form linked below. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the Award Nomination Materials in the order listed below.

Award Nomination Materials

Nomination Letter

- Maximum of two single-spaced pages documenting the publication's contributions to the profession.

Copy of the publication

- Electronic form preferred.
- If materials must be submitted in hard copy form, seven copies of the publication should be mailed to the AAEA Business Office at 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Evaluation

Seven major areas are considered in evaluating nominations as follows:

- Importance of topic
- Timeliness of topic
- Value of communication to its intended audience
- Expands the reach or visibility of ag and applied economics to a broader set of stakeholders
- Significance of contribution to the literature or other media
- Organization and presentation of material
- Economic content of communication

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222894345485164>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Quality of Research Discovery Award

The Quality of Research Discovery Award is granted to encourage excellent publications in fields consistent with the [AAEA Vision Statement](#). A maximum of two awards are given each year. Entries must demonstrate excellence and creativity in research methodology and/or expand the frontiers of applied economics. We

encourage submissions from women, underrepresented minorities and members from a broad set of academic, government, industry and NGO organizations.

Nomination Guidelines

Nominations are due **February 8, 2023**.

- An individual nominated for the award, or at least one individual in the case of a group nomination, must be a 2023 AAEA member. No requirements regarding number of authors or professional experience are imposed.
- Entries must have been published in 2022.
- A given article is eligible for only one award in either the Quality of Research Discovery or Quality of Communication category. Nominations should be submitted for only one category, which is clearly identified.

To nominate, fill out the online Quality of Research Discovery Award Nomination Form linked below. The form will ask you to upload one PDF file containing all the Award Nomination Materials in the order listed below.

Nomination Materials

Nomination Letter

- Maximum of one page single-spaced, 12-point font
- Document the publication's contributions to the profession

Copy of the publication

- Electronic form preferred
- If materials must be submitted in hard copy form, seven copies of the publication should be mailed to The AAEA Business Office at 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Please submit this completed form as well as any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222894633430154>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

AAEA Mentoring Award

Deliberate, purposive, mentoring takes time and effort. Through the process of collaborating with a mentee, a mentor shows a mentee the 'ropes' of the profession, helps to identify and cultivate the mentee's strengths, and opens networks and professional opportunities. To mentor is to commit time and effort. The benefits of mentoring—colleagues from diverse backgrounds staying in the profession and fully expressing their potential—are enjoyed by the entire profession.

The purpose of the Mentoring Award is to recognize individuals in our association who have systematically and consistently shown outstanding efforts in fostering junior, female and/or minority colleagues throughout their career. In order to properly assess the systematic and consistent nature of their mentorship efforts, only candidates with at least 10 years of experience in the profession will be considered for the award.

The AAEA community particularly values

- Efforts to recruit and retain talented individuals from diverse backgrounds
- Co-authorship and/or other collaboration that provides major learning opportunities for junior, female, and/or minority colleagues
- Active advocacy for the professional advancement of these colleagues
- Service to the economics/applied economics profession.
- Participation and presentations in workshops to promote mentoring.

Nomination Guidelines

- Nominations are due on **February 8, 2023**.
- Nominees must be a 2023 member of AAEA.

Nomination materials

- Nomination letter
 - Maximum of 3 single-spaced pages
 - The nomination letter must be written by a 2023 member of AAEA.
 - This letter will be the centerpiece for evaluation and should give examples (with the names of mentees) of how the nominee has
 - systematically and consistently collaborated with, advocated for, and/or created growth opportunities for junior, female, and/or minority colleagues throughout their career.
 - The letter must include the nominee's name, affiliation, and email address, as well as the nominator's name, affiliation, and email address.
 - The file name of the letter should include the phrase 'nomination letter.'
- Current CV of the nominee
 - No more than 15 pages, 12-point font, Single line space, 1" margin on both sides.
 - Highlight mentoring activities, achievement, and accomplishment of mentorship.
- Between 3 and 5 supporting letters, written by those mentored by the nominee
 - Each supporting letter should be a maximum of 2 single-spaced page.
 - Between 3 and 5 supporting letters, written by those mentored by the nominee.
 - the nomination letter and letters of support must focus on three things
 - clearly described activities to promote/support others
 - clearly described impacts and influences
 - significant and unique contributions to mentoring within and outside own institutions
 - Letters should be written by those mentored by the nominee and illustrate the nominee's mentoring efforts and how these changed the professional trajectory of the letter writer.

Please complete this form as well as submit any nomination materials to

<https://form.jotform.com/222893972369170>

If you have any questions about your nomination, or the nomination process, please contact Michael Storey at mstorey@aaea.org or (414) 918-3190.

Evaluation

The nominating letter, supporting letter, and CVs will be evaluated for evidence of i) clearly described activities to promote/support others ii) clearly described impacts and influences iii) significant and unique contributions to mentoring within and outside own institutions.

AETR Call for Papers**Special Issue on Educational Materials About Industry and Market Developments**

Applied Economics and Teaching Resources is calling for manuscripts that fit into Extension Education, Case Studies, and Interdisciplinary Narratives relating to innovative and impactful ways of:

- Communicating industry and market developments,
- Evaluating the delivery of government and private program educational training and how methods affect delivery and impact, and
- Training and learning methodologies in industry and non-governmental organizations.

New industry developments, the rollout of new government programs, applied economists' roles in educational programs led by producer interest groups, new models to deliver and assess one-on-one training sessions, and similar educational or extension initiatives are often not documented in the agricultural and applied economics literature due to a lack of hypothesis testing, statistical rigor, or theoretical foundations. Nevertheless, the AETR readership values sharing and communicating technical developments for enhancing learning and elevating training effectiveness for government program rollout and implementation, for communicating market and industry reports, and for methods to assess successes and failures of efforts to support programs and initiatives in government and industry. Such articles and information about educational methods and learning effectiveness may serve as models for adoption and modification by future industry, government and NGO members and serve as tools in the classroom for educational purposes.

Potential topics for this special issue include, but are not limited to:

1. Methods used to communicate new technologies or services to target audiences and measurement of educational success/failure, including how stakeholder targeting, reception, interaction with stakeholders, and barriers to information transfer affect learning and teaching effectiveness. Specific examples or general approaches are welcome.
2. Case studies of technical training related to improved agricultural production, with descriptions of audiences, trainers, delivery methods, learning objectives, and educational outcomes. Innovative approaches to interdisciplinary training methods are particularly welcome.
3. Examples of information and knowledge transfer of government programs supporting agriculture and the agri-food industry, including short-term COVID programs that emerged over the last 2 years. Details of interest could include program learning objectives, training needs and methods, and measurement of teaching effectiveness when measured in terms of interest/adoption and impact.
4. Industry case studies or reports describing the roadmap/ pathway/educational process starting post-discovery of product (e.g., irrigation technology, hemp, vaccines) or service (e.g., drone monitoring, online marketing platforms) to commercialization and market launch, including educational efforts targeting regulatory barriers, how enablers can learn to better facilitate adoption, and government support for training.
5. Industry and market case studies on how to educate about market trends and innovations, particularly if there are classroom teaching or Extension notes/assessments.
6. Extension programs and narratives describing audience, objectives and delivery, tools, and measures of success. For example, this could be an outlet for recent graduate student Extension competition finalists to publish their work.

We expect this special issue will be of broad interest to agriculture and agri-food industry stakeholders, including producers, agribusiness managers, producer support groups, input providers, processors, local to

federal government agencies, and extension personnel. Students and educators of agricultural and applied economics, agribusiness economics and management and related agri-food disciplines interested in knowledge and information transfer will also be interested in this special edition.

The special issue will have a guest co-editor Dr. David Hall (dchall@ucalgary.ca) at the University of Calgary in addition to the AETR Editor, Dr. Jason Bergtold (bergtold@ksu.edu).

Special Issue Timeline:

If you are interested in making a submission to the special issue, please submit a 300 word abstract to Dr. David Hall (dchall@ucalgary.ca) and Dr. Jason Bergtold (bergtold@ksu.edu) by **December 31, 2022** at the latest. The abstract should describe the overall theme/topic of the manuscript, how it relates to the special issue call, and how it can be used for educational purposes. Your abstract will be reviewed once submitted and you will then be informed if you will be invited to submit a submission to the special issue.

Full papers for accepted abstracts must be submitted through AETR online by **March 31, 2023**. All papers will go through a double-blind peer review process and be available online via Advanced Access for readers once accepted. All submissions will need to follow the AETR submission guidelines at:

<https://www.aea.org/publications/applied-economics-teaching-resources/aetr-manuscript-submission-guidelines>. If you have questions about the special issue, please email the special issue editors.

Government Relations & Washington Update

December 2022

Senate Agriculture Committee Holds Farm Bill Hearing on Agriculture Research

On December 6th, the Senate Agriculture Committee held a hearing entitled: **Farm Bill 2023: Research Programs**. The hearing is part of the committee's ongoing process to prepare for the next Farm Bill. [Chairwoman Debbie Stabenow](#) (D-MI) and [Ranking Member John Boozman](#) (R-AR) gave opening statements, both of which highlighted the importance of agriculture research as critical to future success. Multiple Senators and witnesses remarked that the United States is falling behind countries like China in relation to federal investment in agriculture research. It is encouraging that bipartisan support for agricultural research was expressed throughout the hearing. There was also recognition by witnesses of the significant need to invest in research infrastructure. Work by the Economic Research Service was cited numerous times, reinforcing the importance of economic research. Another key theme was the need for new innovations to help producers feed a growing global population in a sustainable and economically feasible way.

The hearing featured two panels, the first with Dr. Chavonda Jacobs Young from USDA and the second with representatives from academia and industry. It is notable that Dr. Deacue Fields, Vice President for Agriculture at the University of Arkansas, and an agricultural economist, was one of the witnesses, helping ensure that the perspective of agricultural economics was included in the hearing. A detailed listing of witnesses with links to their written testimony is below:

- [Dr. Chavonda Jacobs-Young](#); Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics and Chief Scientist, United States Department of Agriculture; Washington, DC
- [Dr. Jason Rowntree](#), CS Mott Chair of Sustainable Agriculture; Director, MSU Center for Regenerative Agriculture; Professor, Department of Animal Science, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
- [Dr. Felecia M. Nave](#), President, Office of the President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, MS

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An archived video of the hearing can be found [HERE](#).

Congress Working to Resolve FY2023 Appropriations

House and Senate leaders are working to resolve government funding for fiscal year 2023 ahead of a December 16th deadline when the current continuing resolution expires. Congressional Democrats plan to release an omnibus government funding package on December 12th. However, the package is expected to face resistance from Republicans in the Senate, who have stated that negotiations are ongoing and that the parties are still trying to resolve differences on overall non-defense spending levels. In the Senate, 60 votes would be required to move a package forward. As a result, lawmakers are also considering additional short-term continuing resolutions, or even a year-long continuing resolution, should an agreement not be reached.

Other News

AEA/CSWEP Panel at ASSA 2023: Sexual Harassment in the Economics Profession: Lessons Learned and the Way Forward

We write to inform you of an important panel [CSWEP](#) is co-hosting with the [American Economic Association](#) at the [2023 ASSA meeting](#) in New Orleans on sexual harassment in the economics profession. The panel will be on Friday, January 6, 2023, from 10:15 AM – 12:15 PM CST in Grand Salon A, Sections 3 and 6 at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside. It will also be live-streamed.

Moderator:

Judith Chevalier, former CSWEP Chair

Panelists:

Christina Romer, AEA President and Chair of the Ethics Committee

Ben Bernanke, former AEA President and former Chair of the AEA Ethics Committee

Leto Copeley, AEA Ombudsperson

Audrey Anderson, Bass, Berry & Sims PLC and Title IX expert

Billy Williams, Senior Vice President for Ethics, Diversity, and Inclusion at American Geophysical Union

Additional information for this event can be found in the [online program](#).

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The workshop will take place from May 22 to May 26, 2023, at Arizona State University. It is open to academics and non-academics. Seats are limited, and registration is based on a first come, first served basis.

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