Call for Applications
Inaugural Editor, Application Economics Teaching Resources

Deadline in 2 days
In January 2018, the AAEA Board of Directors approved a new, online, peer-reviewed publication series, Applied Economics Teaching Resources. This series will establish a new home for case studies, classroom games, and other teaching resources of interest to agricultural and applied economists.

The AAEA Board seeks a visionary editor to design and launch Applied Economics Teaching Resources. With the goal of creating a high-quality publication, the editor will have broad latitude to shape what it looks like, how to attract contributions, and how to ensure quality outcomes. For advice and assistance, the editor may rely upon a five-member editorial board that the editor may name, subject to approval by the AAEA Board. The editorial board will include (but is not limited to) members of the AAEA sections on Agribusiness Economics and Management (AEM) and Teaching, Learning, and Communications (TLC). The publication will be distributed through AgEconSearch, with a target launch date in spring 2019. The AAEA will provide financial assistance to defray a portion of the editor’s time.

Start-up Timing
The AAEA Board will make its selection no later than August 5, 2018. The new editor should be prepared to begin a four-year term of editorial duties by October 1, 2018. Please note that the editor must maintain AAEA membership throughout their period of service.

Applications
Review of applications will begin May 15, 2018. They should include: a brief statement of interest that includes the applicant’s record of scholarship, editorial philosophy and vision for success of Applied Economics Teaching Resources, and curriculum vitae (including descriptions of teaching and editorial work).

Optional: statement of administrative support from the candidate’s department chair, dean or other appropriate administrative officer.

Applications should be sent electronically via PDF to Kristen McGuire, Executive Director, at kmcguire@aaea.org by April 1, 2018. Interested persons may contact AAEA President Scott Swinton (swintons@msu.edu) for further background. Nominations of promising candidates are welcome.
Renew Your AAEA Membership for 2018

You can renew your AAEA membership for 2018 on the AAEA website. 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.

The benefits of your AAEA membership only last through the spring of 2018, so be sure to renew soon to ensure that you keep receiving services from AAEA throughout the upcoming year.

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

Meet the Fellows:

Thomas Jayne, Michigan State University

Thom Jayne is University Foundation Professor of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics at Michigan State University. Jayne is one of the most influential agricultural economists working on African development issues.

His work combines incisive scholarship, a commitment to informing mainstream audiences, mentoring, and institution building. His articles have broad interdisciplinary appeal, are widely quoted in the mainstream media, and are utilized extensively in policy discourse. Over the past decade, Jayne and his team have received six research excellence awards from various professional and academic organizations, including the 2009 Outstanding Article Award in Agricultural Economics and the 2017 Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis.

Jayne’s academic contributions have focused on four topics: grain market reform programs, input subsidy programs, the effects of AIDS–related adult mortality on African agriculture, and the transformation of African agri–food systems. He was instrumental in pioneering the collection of nationwide household panel survey data in Africa, starting in the mid–1990s, which has now been widely replicated by many others. Analyses of that data by Jayne and his colleagues were the first to show that, contrary to conventional wisdom, most rural African households were consistently buyers of grain rather than sellers and were often adversely affected by policies that elevated food prices. His work on government intervention in grain markets was among the first to provide the counterintuitive evidence that government operations that were intended to stabilize food markets in fact often destabilized them. Jayne’s seminal work on input subsidy programs in Africa showed that they tended to crowd out private fertilizer markets and contribute much less to total food production than conventionally thought. In the 1990s, the initiatives started by Jayne and colleagues to collect individual–level, multiple wave panel data in Africa provided an opportunity to understand the impacts of unexpected mortality on the agricultural sector and the livelihoods of rural households. Their work was the first to show that, notwithstanding the catastrophic impacts of the AIDS epidemic, the huge agricultural labor shortages that were predicted to result from it would be less severe than expected after taking account of extensive labor mobility of family members.

In addition to garnering several awards for his work on these topics, his co–authored papers with
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The Theodore Schultz Award by the International Association of Agricultural Economists and the best paper presented at the 2010 African Association of Agricultural Economists Triennial Meetings. In 2013, Jayne was inducted as a Distinguished Fellow of the African Association of Agricultural Economists. In 2017, he became the Flagship Co-Leader of the CGIAR Policies, Institutions and Markets research program on Economy-wide Factors Affecting Agricultural Growth and Rural Transformation.

Thom’s most enduring contribution may be his role in initiating and building African-led agricultural policy research institutes. Over the 2010–13 period, he led, with Zambian and MSU collaborators, the transformation of the longstanding MSU agricultural policy project in Zambia into the autonomously managed national policy institute, the Indaba Agricultural Policy Research Institute. Along with the heads of other African agricultural policy research institutes, he co-initiated in 2012 the creation of the Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI), which currently represents national policy institutes from 11 countries. Jayne has mentored dozens of young African professionals, both at MSU and at several African universities with which he has maintained longstanding affiliations. He was appointed Co-Director of Michigan State University’s Alliance for African Partnership in 2016 to build long-term inter-disciplinary research partnerships between MSU, African and other international universities.

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Travel Grants for Early Career Professionals and Graduate Students

The AAEA Trust seeks applications for Early Career Professional and Graduate Student Travel Grants. These grants defray housing and transportation costs associated with attending the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., on August 5–7. The amount of the travel grant awarded will depend on the number of applications received.

Eligibility Requirements

Qualifying applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements in order to be considered for a travel grant:

- Graduate student or Early Career Professional 2018 member of AAEA.
- Engaged at a college, university, or other non-academic institution (including agribusinesses, non-government organizations, government, and “think tanks”) in such applied economics fields as agribusiness, agricultural, consumer, food, development, environmental, health, marketing, regional, rural, or resource economics.
- No other sources of funding available (including university, department, grant, employer, etc.)
- Paper/poster accepted for presentation at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

Application Process

Applications must be submitted through the online application form. You will be asked to submit the following:
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- Your name and e-mail address;
- Institution and (if applicable) department at which enrolled/employed. You may indicate "not–yet–employed" if not a current student and without employment – please highlight degree-awarding institution and date awarded;
- Degree program underway (Graduate Student Applicants)
- Anticipated graduation date (Graduate Student Applicants)
- Professional rank or position (Early Career Professional Applicants)
- Number of years at Institution (Early Career Professional Applicants)
- Brief summary of research interests (1000 words or less);
- Applicant statement (500 words or less): description of the anticipated value gained from attending and participating in the Annual Meeting (including paper/poster presentations, awards and/or pre-/post-conference workshops in which you will be involved);
- Proposed travel budget;
- A nomination from a department, division head, or supervisor which includes written acknowledgement of the nomination and certification of your financial need, including certification that funding is unavailable from other sources. Self–employed or not–yet–employed applicants may submit a letter supporting the nomination from a colleague or mentor from their degree-awarding institution or include a letter stating financial need.

Applications should be submitted by the individual seeking support; however, only two applications from each employing institution will be considered. In the event that more than two applications are submitted from a specific department or division, it will be up to the department head to decide which will be considered. If an applicant is self–employed or not–yet–employed they may seek a letter of support from a colleague or mentor from their degree–granting institution. Any letter of support for an Early Career Professional not employed or a student at a degree–awarding institution will not count against the maximum of two nominations from any department or other entity formally nominating other applicants.

Reflecting the Trust’s goal of broadening participation in the Annual Meeting, preference may be given to individuals working under institutional circumstances not normally conducive to AAEA meeting attendance. The deadline for submission is May 23, 2018. To apply, please visit https://aaea.execinc.com/edibo/TravelGrants2018App.

Call for Applications

AAEA Annual Meeting International Travel Grants

The AAEA Trust seeks applications for AAEA Annual Meeting International Travel Grants. These grants defray housing and transportation costs associated with attending the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., on August 5–7. The amount of the travel grant awarded will depend on the number of applications received. The funds for these travel grants are provided by a grant from USDA–ERS.

Eligibility Requirements

Qualifying applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements in order to be considered for a travel grant:
- Resident of and residing in a country outside the U.S.
- 2018 member of AAEA
• Engaged at a college, university, or other non-academic institution (including agribusinesses, non-government organizations, government, and “think tanks”) in such applied economics fields as agribusiness, agricultural, consumer, food, development, environmental, health, marketing, regional, rural, or resource economics
• No other sources of funding available (including university, department, grant, employer, etc.)
• Paper/poster accepted for presentation at the 2018 Annual Meeting

Application Process
Applications must be submitted through the online application form. You will be asked to submit the following:
• Your name and e-mail address
• Institution and (if applicable) department at which enrolled/employed. You may indicate “not-yet-employed” if not a current student and without employment – please highlight degree-awarding institution and date awarded
• Degree program underway (Graduate Student Applicants)
• Anticipated graduation date (Graduate Student Applicants)
• Professional rank or position (Early Career Professional Applicants)
• Number of years at Institution (Early Career Professional Applicants)
• Brief summary of research interests (1000 words or less)
• Applicant statement (500 words or less): description of the anticipated value gained from attending and participating in the Annual Meeting (including paper/poster presentations, awards and/or pre-/post conference workshops in which you will be involved)
• Proposed travel budget
• A nomination from a department, division head, or supervisor which includes written acknowledgement of the nomination and certification of your financial need, including certification that funding is unavailable from other sources. Self-employed or not-yet-employed applicants may submit a letter supporting the nomination from a colleague or mentor from their degree-granting institution or include a letter stating financial need

Applications should be submitted by the individual seeking support; however, only two applications from each employing institution will be considered. In the event that more than two applications are submitted from a specific department or division, it will be up to the department head to decide which will be considered. If an applicant is self-employed or not-yet-employed they may seek a letter of support from a colleague or mentor from their degree-awarding institution. Any letter of support for an Early Career Professional not employed or a student at a degree-awarding institution will not count against the maximum of two nominations from any department or other entity formally nominating other applicants.

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2018 Notification Letters
Thank you to everyone that submitted a Selected Presentation abstract for the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. We received about 1,300 abstracts and accepted 804. Notification letters regarding all Selected Presentation submissions were sent on March 15, 2018. If you have not received a notification email or are unsure of your abstract status, please email the AAEA Business office at info@aaea.org.

2018 AAEA Employment Center and Job Fair
Registration is now open for the 2018 Employment Center taking place August 5–7, during the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. New this year, AAEA will be hosting a job fair on Sunday, August 5, 2018. This one–day event will take place in the Employment Center from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for employers to connect with potential candidates.

For more information, please visit the online Employment Center. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Sarah Kenner. We hope to see you in D.C.!

2018 Extension Competition for Graduate Students
The Extension and Graduate Student Sections of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association
2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., August 5–7, 2018
Overview
The Extension and Graduate Student Sections of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association announce a competition for graduate students for 2018. This competition, sponsored jointly by the Extension Section and the Graduate Student Section, provides graduate student competitors the opportunity to develop extension and outreach programs from their research. The development of education materials and presentations suitable for a general public audience is expected.

We encourage all departments with graduate students in agricultural economics, agribusiness, natural resource economics, community resource economics, applied economics or similar programs related to agriculture and/or the food system to tell their students about this important competition.

Purpose for the Competition
To provide incentives to graduate students to learn to prepare and present appropriate analytical results for an extension (usually non–economist) audience. This can be based upon the graduate student’s research for a thesis or dissertation, or other projects. Participation in the competition is expected to enhance the professional growth of participating students regarding extension programs.

Who’s Eligible?
Eligible applicants are:
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- Graduate students currently engaged in agricultural economics, agribusiness, natural resources, and community resource economics.
- Applied or similar economics MS or PhD programs related to agriculture and/or the food system.
- Those who graduated from such programs in 2017 or later.

*Note: Participants must identify and work with a mentor with experience in outreach or extension activities.*

**Competition Application Information**

Applications should be addressed to Kate Fuller at kate.fuller@montana.edu and must include:

1. Student’s name, university, department, address and contact information.
2. Title of the extension program to be delivered.
3. A summary of the proposed extension program. This should include target audience, delivery plans, communication methods and activities planned for distributing the information to the public such as with fact sheets, pamphlets, press releases, reports, web sites, streaming videos, spreadsheets, workshops, PowerPoint presentations and training activities to be conducted (4 page maximum).
4. A profile of the student applicant’s background as well as the related thesis title and brief description of the research (maximum 1 page).
5. The mentor’s name, address and description of the mentor’s role in assisting the student with this project.

**Submission Deadline**

Applications must be submitted electronically no later than **5:00 pm EST on May 31, 2018.**

**Selection of Finalists**

Finalists will be selected to make a 15-minute extension/outreach presentation at the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., on **Sunday August 5, 2018,** to a panel of judges. Selection of the finalists will be notified by June 15, 2018.

**Criteria for Selecting Finalists**

Criteria for judging the finalist and winners will include:

1. Identification of a target audience.
   a) An explanation of the issue/problem/opportunity being addressed
   b) An explanation on how this target audience was identified
2. Development of an extension program for the target audience that includes:
   a) An outline of the goals of the extension program
   b) A summary and an explanation of the main elements of the thesis, dissertation, or other research results, to be included in the extension program. Include a description of how the results will address the issue/problem/opportunity and benefit the target audience.
   c) A summary of the program in an extension report, or extension PowerPoint presentation, or other appropriate extension communication media that the audience
can take home. This summary should be an explanation that would be effective in accomplishing the extension goals as identified in step 2a. above.

3. An explanation of extension team development and responsibilities in terms of program development and delivery should be addressed, if appropriate.

4. Plans for evaluating the effectiveness of the extension program.

**Extension/outreach presentation at the AAEA**
Each finalist must develop oral and visual presentations (15 minutes in length) for delivery at the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. Following the 15–minute presentation the judges will have 5 minutes of questions. The competition begins at 8am on Sunday, August 5th. The top three finalists are required to make presentations during an AAEA Extension track organized symposium.

**Awards**
Cash awards will be given to those judged to be the top three graduate students in this competition. Award funding is provided by the AAEA Extension Section through membership dues and via support provided by sponsors. Awards are:

- **First Place**: $1,000 and a plaque
- **Second Place**: $300 and a certificate
- **Third Place**: $200 and a certificate

Other finalists receive finalist certificates

The top 3 competitors selected will be recognized at the AAEA Awards ceremony. All finalists are guests at the Extension Luncheon during the AAEA annual meetings. Luncheon tickets will be provided to all finalists.

**Submit Entries to:**
Dr. Kate Fuller
Competition Committee Chair
Department of Agricultural Economics and Economics
Montana State University
Email: kate.fuller@montana.edu

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**Call for Applications:**
**2018 Heading North Award**
**Deadline is Today**
Applications are now invited for the 2018 Heading North award. The Australasian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (AARES) and the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) through the AAEA Trust will jointly offer this travel award to members of AARES or AAEA normally resident in Australia or New Zealand.
The objective of the award is to provide the winner with an opportunity for professional and personal development and international professional and cultural exchange. The award will have a value of US $3,000.00 USD to be used to assist the winner to participate in the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., August 5–7, 2018. Applicants for the award must be a member of either AARES or AAEA.

Selection Process
The 2018 Heading North selection committee will be chaired by the President–Elect of AARES (Professor John Rolfe).

Applications should include:
- a paper for presentation at the 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., for which the applicant is the sole or first author and which represents their original and unpublished work,
- a one-page biographical statement, and
- a one-page statement in support of their application, indicating what they would hope to accomplish through the award, why they would be deserving of the award, and confirming that they would be unable to attend the conference without this financial support.

Submission Deadlines and Details
Thursday, March 29, 2018 (for travel in August 2018)
Electronic submissions (in PDF form) for this award must be emailed to David Cundy at office@aares.org.au by the due date.

Obituary

Dana G. Dalrymple, 1932-2018

Dana G. Dalrymple, a 36-year veteran of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), worked to improve farming practices worldwide. Most of his career was spent working for CGIAR, formerly the Consultative Group for International Agriculture Research, which he supported soon after its inception in 1972. As an agricultural economist, he shaped the policies, programs and budgets of the agency’s Washington headquarters and 16 international centers in South America, Africa and Asia, and he traveled to most of them.

Dalrymple, 85, died of complications from pneumonia on March 7 at his home in Washington, D.C. after suffering from dementia. Colleagues, friends and family will celebrate his life at a later date to be announced.

A life-long scholar, Dalrymple conducted original research, which, combined with his deep knowledge of the science and economics of agriculture, informed his federal and international service. In his early career, he became an expert in Soviet agriculture; his 1964 article on the 1932–34 Soviet famine was the first general review of the subject and was regarded by colleagues as the “standard work on the topic for 20 years.” From the late 1960s through the 1980s, he was the main researcher tracking the adoption of high–yielding crop varieties in the developing world. In
government, he was a primary advocate of Norman Borlaug’s theories of a “green revolution.” As science policy advisor for USAID, he wrote many papers showing how science and research act as a force for public good.

In retirement, Dalrymple returned to an earlier interest in malarial control. He compiled and published an extensive survey of research into the use of a Chinese medicinal herb, artemisia, in treating drug-resistant malaria. To encourage the widest possible use of this work, he made his book freely available online. *Artemisinin, ACTs and Malarial Control In Africa* was reviewed favorably in *Science* magazine and a dozen other professional journals.

Partly because of that project, Dalrymple received the Outstanding Alumni Award in 2015 from the School of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University, of which he was a 1954 graduate and active alumnus.

Dana Grant Dalrymple was born in Seneca Falls, N.Y., on Nov. 5, 1932 to Daniel M. Dalrymple and Esther Shappee Dalrymple. His future was forseen by a family friend and author, Raymond F. Yates, who dedicated *The Boy and the Battery* (1942), a primer on electricity and magnetism, “To a little boy named Dana Dalrymple who shows an uncommon interest in the world around him.”

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**Call for Nominations**

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC)**

Help in identifying a diverse range of qualified candidates to be considered for the Administrator’s appointment to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC). The CASAC is a chartered federal advisory committee that provides advice, information and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the scientific and technical aspects of air quality criteria and National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). As required under the Clean Air Act section 109(d), the CASAC is composed of seven members, with at least one member of the National Academy of Sciences, one physician, and one person representing state air pollution control agencies.

Each year, the SAB Staff Office publishes a Federal Register Notice announcing opportunities for the public to nominate candidate experts to serve on the CASAC. On March 21, 2018, the SAB Staff Office published a Federal Register Notice (https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-03-21/pdf/2018-05754.pdf) requesting public nominations of candidate experts to serve on the CASAC. The notice describes the functions of and expertise needed for the CASAC. The SAB Staff Office is seeking nominations of experts to serve on the CASAC with expertise in: air quality, biostatistics, ecology, environmental economics, environmental engineering, epidemiology, exposure assessment, medicine, risk assessment, and toxicology. The SAB Staff Office is especially interested in scientists with expertise described above who have knowledge and experience relating to criteria pollutants (carbon monoxide, lead, nitrogen oxides, ozone, particulate matter, and sulfur oxides).

Nominate candidates for the CASAC, and share this request with others. Nominations to the CASAC should be made using the web nomination links at the bottom of the CASAC (www.epa.gov/casac) home page under “Public Input on Membership.”
Nominations are sought by April 20, 2018. If you have questions about the nomination process or the broad charge to the CASAC email Yeow.Aaron@epa.gov. Thank you in advance for your assistance in identifying a diverse set of expert candidates for the CASAC.

Journal of Natural Resources Policy Research

Special Issue: Effective Management of Natural Disasters: Conceptual, Empirical Issues and Case Studies

Guest Editor: Chennat Gopalakrishnan, University of Hawaii at Manoa, USA

Call for Papers: Recent years have witnessed a dramatic increase in the human and economic impacts of natural disasters. Between 2003 and 2013, they have resulted in total economic damages of $1.5 trillion, 1.1 million deaths, and impacted the lives of 2 billion people. Furthermore, it is worth noting that there has been a steady increase in the intensity and frequency of natural disasters, 2017 representing a case in point. Water disasters have accounted over the years for a significant proportion of natural disasters in the U.S and globally.

Ossified governance structures, polycentric decision-making entities, entropy-ridden institutions, cascading conflict scenarios, deep-seated and wide-ranging internal feuds and precariously perched, top-heavy decision agencies significantly add to the complexity of policy domains in the natural disasterscape. Against this bleak backdrop, well-intentioned policies stumble into a collision course, making the emergence of workable policies exceedingly difficult.

We are seeking original contributions that will explore and shed light on the five policy areas noted above and related topics, using historical surveys, institutional analysis, econometric investigations and theoretical discussions. Policy-rich cross-disciplinary and transnational papers that examine the cause and consequence of water disasters are especially welcome. We are specifically looking for case studies of recent natural disasters in the U.S and elsewhere. Of particular interest to us are case studies of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria, and Sandy.

We have identified five broad categories of natural disaster policies for an in-depth study: risk management; vulnerability assessment; capacity building and resilience; disaster risk reduction-development linkage; and institutional design.

Possible topics include:
- policy frameworks for natural disaster management
- risk reduction and management
- vulnerability (including climate-induced) reduction and assessment
- capacity-building and resilience
- disaster risk reduction-development linkage
- institutional entropy reduction
- polycentric decision making
- and disaster governance-disaster policy nexus

Submit your papers online
Please prepare your papers in accordance with the guidelines posted at http://www.editorialmanager.com/jnrpr under “Instructions for Authors.” Inquiries may be directed to the Editor-in-Chief at: jnrpr@press.psu.edu. Deadline: May 1, 2018
**Member in the News:**
Do you know an AAEA Member who has made statewide, national, or international news? Send a link of the article to Allison Scheetz at ascheetz@aaea.org or info@aaea.org

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  Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
  (Posted: 03/21/2018)
- Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness
  Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
  (Posted: 03/21/2018)
- Assistant Professor of Agribusiness
  Sam Houston State University
  Department of Agricultural Sciences
  (Posted: 03/19/2018)

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