

Special thanks to awards committee chairs and members.

Published Graduate Student or MS Thesis Award

Jill McCluskey, Washington State University

Bailey Norwood, Oklahoma State University

Michael Boland, Kansas State University

Published Research Award

Stephen Cooke, University of Idaho

Vince Smith, Montana State University

Michael Wetzstein, University of Georgia

Extension Program Awards

Paul Patterson, University of Idaho

Larry Lev, Oregon State University

Kynda Curtis, University of Nevada - Reno

Undergraduate Teaching Awards

Larry Makus, University of Idaho

Kim Anderson, Oklahoma State University

Conrad Lyford, Texas Tech University

Distinguished Scholar Award

Clement Ward, Chair

Gary Brester, WAEA Past President

Steve Blank, Michele Veeman, Doug Young and Bruce Godfrey,

Distinguished Scholar Recipients

Catherine Durham, Hayley Chouinard, Chris Bastian, Jayson

Lusk, WAEA Directors

JARE Outstanding Journal Article for 2007 Award

David Lambert, North Dakota State University

George C. Davis, Virginia Tech

Douglas Larson, University of California, Davis



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Welcome & Introductions	DeeVon Bailey
Awards Chair	Christopher S. McIntosh
Outstanding JARE Article	David Lambert
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Published Graduate Student or MS Thesis Award

Hendricks, Nathan. Kansas State University. "Estimating Irrigation Water Demand with a Multinomial Logit Selectivity Model."

Honorable Mention

Costa, Rafeal De Farias. Texas A&M University. "The Impacts of Improving Brazil's Transportation Infrastructure on the World Soybean Market."

Muthusamy, Kalamani. University of Idaho. "Impact of a Marketing Cooperative on Price Behavior in the Idaho Potato Industry."

Published Research Award

Raper, K. C., H. A. Love, and Shumway, C. R. (2007). "Distinguishing the Sources of Market Power." *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* 89(1): 78-90.

Outstanding Extension Program Award, for Project

Dr. Dean A. McCorkle, Texas A&M University. "Economic Accountability"

Outstanding Extension Program Award, for Career

Dr. Steven L. Klose, and Dr. Joe L. Outlaw, Texas A&M University. "The Financial And Risk Management (FARM) Assistance Program."

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award (less than 10 years)

Cheryl DeVuyst, North Dakota State University

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award (more than 10 years)

Eric DeVuyst, North Dakota State University

JARE Outstanding Journal Article for 2007

Kai-Li Wang and Christopher B. Barrett. "Estimating the Effects of Exchange Rate Volatility on Export Volumes." *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics* 32,2 (August 2007):225-255.



Distinguished Scholar

Andrew Barkley
Kansas State University

Andrew Barkley has a distinguished career in teaching and teaching scholarship in addition to professional service. Andy is an effective teacher who has profoundly influenced countless students, is a student himself of teaching methods and student success, and has contributed significantly to the instructional improvement of others.

Andy has taught a variety of courses from freshman to graduate level, introductory to capstone, large (150 or more) to small. Consistently over his career, evaluations by students are among the highest at Kansas State University. His dedication to teaching and commitment to enhanced learning earned him a reputation for teaching challenging, engaging, and intellectually stimulating courses. Over a 12-year period, 94% of students rating his instruction indicated they would recommend the course to others. Andy's teaching skills have been recognized with several prestigious awards, including the National Excellence in College and University Teaching in Food and Agricultural Sciences Award by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award for less than 10 years by the American Agricultural Economics Association, Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award by the Western Agricultural Economics Association, and being named a Teacher Fellow by the National Association of Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture.

Much of Andy's research has focused on teaching pedagogy and student success determinants both in the classroom and in their careers. He has published 16 refereed journal articles, of which two were named the Outstanding Journal Article by the National Association of Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture.

Andy has shared his teaching knowledge and skills with others. He initiated and developed the Western Agricultural Economics Association's first National Young Professionals Conference targeted to young faculty members. The 1999 conference was so successful, it was repeated in 2001, and then the American Agricultural Economics Association assumed responsibility for the conference, last held in 2007 where Andy was the keynote speaker.

Andy has provided significant leadership and service to the National Association of Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture and American Agricultural Economics Association. However, most notably, he served the Western Agricultural Economics Association as Director, Vice President, and then its President in 2000-2001.



Distinguished Scholar

James W. Richardson
Texas A&M University

James Richardson has excelled in public policy research and outreach, and has compiled an exemplary record of scholarly achievement over his 30-year academic career. He has contributed to methodological innovations involving simulation and risk analysis and his outreach efforts targeting Congressional Agriculture Committee members and staff have significantly contributed to farm policy decision making. In addition, he is an accomplished and recognized teacher and mentor.

James' contribution to methodological advances includes pioneering development and use of Monte Carlo simulation for farm-based policy analysis. His use of representative farms localized policy impacts for Congressional members and farm organizations. He has completed more than 150 policy analyses at the request of Congress. He was the first to use Normal copulas to simulate correlated non-normal multivariate distributions, later extending the procedure to include an intertemporal component. He co-developed the innovative Stochastic Efficiency with Respect to a Function (SERF) technique, which ranks risky alternatives without knowledge of decision-maker's risk aversion.

James used his innovative research to develop an award-winning and influential outreach program for Congressional members and staff, farm policy and commodity organizations, and extension professionals. He developed a Base and Yield Analyzer which was selected by the Farm Service Agency, U.S. Department of

Agriculture, as its official analysis tool. He has consistently contributed to farm policy formulation and developed a reputation for presenting results in a comprehensible manner for Congressional members and their staff. Support for his international reputation comes from having taught more than 600 risk analysts in 10 countries. He has participated in or been responsible for over 100 contracts totaling nearly \$20 million.

Evidence of James' prolificacy includes over 100 refereed journal articles, 6 book chapters, more than 275 experiment station publications, and over 170 professional papers. He teaches two graduate simulation courses each year and has advised 37 M.S. and Ph.D. students. James has earned recognition from the American Agricultural Economics Association (group extension program - twice, quality of communication, distinguished policy contribution, and graduate teaching for more than ten years), Western Agricultural Economics Association (undergraduate teaching for more than ten years), and Southern Agricultural Economics Association (*Southern Journal of Agricultural Economics* outstanding article, team extension program, and lifetime achievement).



Distinguished Scholar

Vincent H. Smith
Montana State University

Vince Smith has distinguished himself by his broad contributions to basic and applied economics research and innovative outreach programs, along with his teaching and mentoring effectiveness and professional service. His unique balance and blend across Land Grant University missions characterizes his professional career.

Vince is a leading expert in the areas of crop insurance, agricultural policy, science and technology investments, and international trade. Currently he is co-director of the Agricultural Marketing Policy Center at Montana State University. He has over 40 refereed journal articles and more than 100 selected papers. He is author/co-author of five books, editor/co-editor of four others, and author/co-author of 11 book chapters. The quality of his research is evidenced by having received the Western Agricultural Economic Association's awards for Outstanding Published Research and Outstanding Article in the *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*.

Vince developed a recognized outreach program aimed toward policy makers, rural communities, and agricultural producers. He has long focused on international trade policy and its impacts and on crop insurance. Over the past decade, he has focused his outreach on health and economic education of the seven American Indian reservation communities in Montana. His outreach efforts and accomplishments earned him the Western

Agricultural Economic Association's Outstanding Extension Program award.

A demanding teacher who spends countless hours with students, Vince has served as advisor for several graduate students and on numerous graduate student committees. He has been recognized in Montana for his dedication to economic education of Native American high school students through the Montana Council on Economic Education and of Native American college students through the Montana Tribal Colleges.

Vince has served his department and Montana State University in several capacities over his 20 years there. Service to the Western Agricultural Economics Association includes his current appointment to the Council, and committee chair for the Outstanding Masters Thesis Award and twice for the Outstanding Published Research Award.