



WESTERN AGRICULTURAL  
ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION

2013 Award Ceremony

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Monterey, California

## 2013 WAEA Award Ceremony

Welcome -----*Greg Perry*, President  
Presentation of awards-- *Hikaru Hanawa Peterson*, Awards Committee Chair  
Presentation of JARE awards-----*Gary Brester*, JARE editor, 2010-2012  
Presentation of Distinguished Scholar Awards -----*Greg Perry*  
Closing -----*Greg Perry*

### Outstanding Published Research Award

**Abigail Okrent** and **Julian Alston**, UC-Davis. "The Effects of Farm Commodity and Retail Food Policies on Obesity and Economic Welfare in the United States," *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 94(1):611-646.

### Outstanding Extension Program Award for Project

"Building Farmers in the West"—**Blake Angelo**, **Adrian Card**, **Kellie Enns**, **Dawn Thilmany McFadden**, and **Martha Sullins**, Colorado State University; **Le Adams**, Farm to Table New Mexico; **Mykel Taylor**, Kansas State University; **Hill Grimmert**, Northern Colorado Food Incubator; **Kent Fleming** and **Bart Eleveld**, Oregon State University; **C. Wilson Gray**, University of Idaho; **Kynda Curtis**, Utah State University; **Jo Ann Warner**, Washington State University

### Outstanding Extension Program Award for Career

**Norman L. Dalsted**, Colorado State University

### Undergraduate Teaching Award with Less Than 10 Years Experience

**Christiane Schroeter**, California Polytechnic State University

### Undergraduate Teaching Award with More Than 10 Years Experience

**Penelope Diebel**, Oregon State University

### Outstanding Published Graduate Student or M.S. Thesis Award

**Alicia Entem**, University of Alberta. "Cost-effective Conservation Planning for Species at Risk in Saskatchewan's Milk River Watershed: The Efficiency Gains of a Multi-species Approach." Advisor: Vic Adamowicz; Co-Advisor: Peter Boxall.

### JARE Outstanding Journal Article Award

**Nathan P. Hendricks** and **Jeffrey M. Peterson**, Kansas State University. "Fixed Effects Estimation of the Intensive and Extensive Margins of Irrigation Water Demand"

### JARE Outstanding Journal Reviewer Award

**Sebastien Pouliot**, Iowa State University

## Distinguished Scholar



***Michael Boland***  
University of Minnesota

Mike is the E. Fred Koller endowed chair holder in agribusiness management and director of The University of Minnesota Food Industry Center. Previously, he spent 14 years at Kansas State University as professor of agricultural economics and associate director of the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center. He is most known for his work in industrial organization and agribusiness management, especially cooperatives, and has worked or lectured in more than 80 countries. Mike has co-authored publications with more than 60 students and received numerous teaching awards. He has worked in a number of award-winning multidisciplinary research and extension projects including the Purdue Lean and Swine Lean Growth teams; Kansas State Hard White Wheat Commercialization Team, Risk Management Clubs, and Process Verified Beef program; and most recently, the Agribusiness Safety Culture Project. Mike served the WAEA in a variety of leadership positions over a ten year period including President.

## Distinguished Scholar



***Richard J. Sexton***  
University of California-Davis

Richard Sexton is a Professor and Chair in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of California, Davis. He is also President of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA). Sexton previously served as Department chair at Davis from 1994-1998, Director of the Giannini Foundation of Agricultural Economics from 2000-03, and co-editor of the American Journal of Agricultural Economics (AJAE) from 1998-2000. He teaches and conducts research on a wide range of issues pertaining to marketing of agricultural products. He was among the first economists to apply the methods of the new industrial organization to agricultural markets, including use of both cooperative and noncooperative game theory to model the behavior of firms and markets and structural econometric models to test for market power. He was also among the first agricultural economists to study the implications for competition of the spatial dimensions of agricultural markets. His research has been published widely in leading journals in economics and agricultural economics and has been recognized with awards from the AAEA, European Economics Association, and Western Agricultural Economics Association.

## Graduate Travel Grant Recipients

**Muhammad Al Amin**, University of Wyoming  
**Suparna Bhattacharya**, University of Nebraska  
**Federico García**, University of Nebraska  
**Solomon Geleta**, Colorado State University  
**Jean Dominique Gumirakiza**, Utah State University  
**Bhagyashree Katare**, University of Minnesota  
**Dereje Megeressa**, University of Nebraska  
**Zheng Li**, University of Alberta  
**William Ridley**, University of Colorado-Boulder

## Outstanding Seniors

**Rachael Barrett**, Washington State University  
**Justin Reynaldo Benavidez**, Texas A&M University  
**Travis Chase**, University of Idaho  
**Andrew Clark**, University of Arizona  
**Mark Flegel**, University of Wyoming  
**Heather Gibson**, Kansas State University  
**Jessica Lacey**, Montana State University  
**Jamie Laurelle Lancaster**, Utah State University  
**Manglai**, University of Saskatchewan  
**Melissa Matulka**, University of Nebraska  
**Tim Nicholson**, Oregon State University  
**Eliza Poet**, Colorado State University  
**Stephanie Sapin**, University of California-Davis  
**Skylar Sowder**, Texas Tech University  
**Shannon Taylor Watson**, Oklahoma State University  
**Helen Xue-Ying Yu**, University of British Columbia

## Special thanks to awards committee chairs & members

### Award Chairs

**Hikaru Hanawa Peterson**, Kansas State University; **Catherine Keske**, University of Colorado

### Outstanding Published Research Award

**Rachael Goodhue** (Chair), University of California-Davis; **George Frisvold**, University of Arizona; **Charles Sims**, Utah State University

### Outstanding Extension Program Awards

**Jeff Johnson** (Chair), Texas Tech University; **Steve Amosson**, Texas A&M University; **Marsha Goetting**, Montana State University; **Mechel Paggi**, California State University-Fresno

### Undergraduate Teaching Awards

**W. Marshall Frasier** (chair), Colorado State University; **Aaron Johnson**, University of Idaho; **Rhonda Skaggs**, New Mexico State University

### Outstanding Published Graduate Student or MS Thesis Award

**Stephen Devadoss** (Chair), University of Idaho; **Peter Boxall**, University of Alberta; **Andrew Cassey**, Washington State University; **Marco Palma**, Texas A&M University; **Jeff Peterson**, Kansas State University; **Troy Schmitz**, Arizona State University; **Eric Schuck**, Linfield College; **Bruce Weber**, Oregon State University

### Distinguished Scholar Award Selection Committee

**Russ Tronstad** (Chair), Arizona State University; **Andrew Barkley**, Kansas State University; **Susan Capalbo**, Oregon State University; **Stephen Devadoss**, University of Idaho; **Jared Carlberg**, University of Manitoba; **Dustin Pendell**, Colorado State University; **Karina Schoengold**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; **Vince Smith**, Montana State University

### JARE Awards

**Gary Brester** (Chair), Montana State University; **Joseph Atwood**, Montana State University; **Vincent Smith**, Montana State University; **Myles Watts**, Montana State University