

WAEA News Update December 2018



As the fall quarter/semester wraps up and we turn our attention to the holidays, please remember the opportunities coming up with WAEA! Consider submitting a paper or symposium proposal, or nominating one of your colleagues for an award. Selected paper and symposium deadlines are February 1, and award deadlines are February 15. Encourage your graduate students to submit papers; WAEA is a great outlet for graduate student research. Our meetings will be in Couer d'Alene, Idaho, at the [Couer d'Alene Resort](#). Registration will be open by early March.

WAEA Officer Election Results

Many thanks to all the members who were willing to stand for election and to those that voted. We had an excellent voting turnout of nearly 300 members! Congratulations to **Eric Belasco** (Montana State University), our new President-Elect, and elected Directors **Kynda Curtis** (Utah State University) and **Hernan Tejada** (University of Idaho). All elected officers have a three-year service commitment. We are thankful for their willingness to devote time to the WAEA.

Deadlines for Selected Papers, Organized Symposia, and Awards

Selected Papers: A link for submitting two-page selected paper abstracts is available at https://editorialexpress.com/cgi-bin/conference/conference.cgi?action=login&db_name=WAEA2019. Further instructions are on page 2. The due date for selected paper abstracts is **February 1, 2019**.

Organized Symposia: The call for organized symposia is on page 3. Please submit organized Symposia proposals via email to Lynn Hamilton in pdf format at lhamilto@calpoly.edu by **February 15, 2019**.

Awards: Nominations are due **February 15, 2019**. Please submit materials directly to the appropriate subcommittee chair. Award descriptions are available on pages 3 - 6.

- Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Awards: Kate Brooks kbrooks4@unl.edu
- Graduate Paper or Master's Thesis Award: Eric Belasco eric.belasco@montana.edu
- Outstanding Published Research Award: Konstantinos Giannakas, kgiannakas2@unl.edu
- Outstanding Extension Program Awards: Shannon Ferrell, shannon.l.ferrell@okstate.edu
- WAEA Fellow Award: Randy Fortenberry, r.fortenbery@wsu.edu

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Important Dates:

Selected Paper & Organized Symposia Deadline: February 1, 2019

Awards and Fellows Nomination Deadline: February 15, 2019

Future Meetings:

2019 WAEA Annual Meeting
June 30 – July 2, 2019
Couer d'Alene, ID

2020 WAEA Annual Meeting
June 28 – 30, 2020
Santa Fe, NM

Call for Selected Papers

2019 Western Agricultural Economics Association Meeting, June 30 – July 2, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Eligibility: Proposals on any aspect of agricultural and resource economics, including teaching, research, and/or extension are encouraged. At least one author must be a member of WAEA. Additionally, by May 1, 2019, the presenting author must be identified and registered for the Annual Meeting and a current member of the WAEA for an accepted paper to be included in the program. **No member may submit more than one abstract as the presenting author, but an individual may be an author on multiple abstracts.** Papers should be original, not submitted elsewhere for presentation, and not previously presented at another agricultural economics meeting.

Paper Selection: Papers will undergo a double-blind peer review process. The Selected Paper Review Committee will prioritize paper acceptance based upon a rank order of scores on a paper review rubric. The final decision to accept or reject a paper will be made by the Selected Paper Committee Chair. Notification of paper acceptance will take place mid-March 2019. Authors and co-authors that withdraw or do not present accepted selected papers, except for unavoidable emergencies, will be tracked and this information may be used as part of the selection criteria for next year.

Submission Guidelines: Proposals must be submitted electronically through the link provided on WAEA's website (www.waeaonline.org) or directly at the link below. Proposals must be submitted **in pdf format** and cannot exceed two pages using double-spacing and a 12-point font with one-inch margins on all sides; however, references may be included on a third page. To facilitate the blind review process, please do not place the author(s) name(s) on the abstract. Author information will be collected separately during the electronic submission process. A suggested format for the abstract is as follows: Title, Problem Statement, Objectives, Data and Methods, Results or Expected Results, and Implications.

Submission Deadline: February 1, 2019, midnight (EST). Proposals can be uploaded to the conference software via https://editorialexpress.com/cgi-bin/conference/conference.cgi?action=login&db_name=WAEA2019

Graduate Paper Competition: As a part of the selected papers process, the WAEA wants to particularly encourage the submission of quality papers by graduate students. To this end, the WAEA is sponsoring a contest for the outstanding selected papers submitted by graduate students. To be eligible for this competition, a student must: a) Be the lead author on the selected paper; b) Indicate in the submission process that the paper is to be considered in the competition; c) Be a member of WAEA as of February 1, 2019, and d) Present the paper in person at the WAEA meetings in Couer D'Alene, ID. The authors of the top three papers will receive cash rewards of \$500, \$250, and \$100.

Western Extension Committee: A portion of the papers that select teaching and extension issues as the topic code will be included in the Western Extension Committee track sessions.

Any questions should be directed to the **Selected Paper Committee Chairs**, Joann Warner at warnerj@wsu.edu or Aleksan Shanoyan at shanoyan@ksu.edu

2019 WAEA Membership Renewal

The season to renew your WAEA membership is upon us. You may renew through the AAEA or you can renew online or mail via this link. <http://www.waeaonline.org/membership>.

Call for WAEA Organized Symposia Proposals

The WAEA is seeking organized symposia proposals for the 2019 annual meeting in Couer d'Alene, Idaho. Each symposium should consist of two or more speakers with ample time devoted to discussion, but we are open to a variety of formats (panels, speakers with discussants, audience participation). At least one author must be a member of the WAEA.

If a symposium is accepted, all presenters need to register for the annual meeting by May 1, 2019 to have the symposium included in the program. The proposal should include 1) title of symposium; 2) motivation for need and importance of the topic; 3) potential presenters, including a brief description of their papers or discussion topics; and 4) session format (panel, short presentation or other structure). Please submit proposals via email to Lynn Hamilton in pdf format at lhamilto@calpoly.edu by February 1, 2019

2019 WAEA for General Award Nominations

The deadline for all submissions is **Friday, February 15, 2019**. For questions, please contact Award Committee Chairs: Cory Walters, cwalters7@unl.edu or Karina Gallardo, karina_gallardo@wsu.edu

Please submit your award nomination directly to the award chair listed for each award below

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Awards

- With less than 10 years' experience
- With more than 10 years' experience

Purpose of the Awards: To recognize outstanding teaching of students and related activities by members of the Association.

Nature of the Awards: Two awards may be given. (1) The first shall be called "Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association with less than 10 years' experience." (2) The second will be called "Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association with more than 10 years' experience." The winner(s) will receive a certificate(s). This award will be made annually at the WAEA meeting.

Eligibility Requirements: Nominees must be members of the Association and be actively involved in teaching and related activities. Previous award winners are not eligible for the same award.

Evaluation Criteria:

- (1) Personal interest in and availability to students,
- (2) Mastery of subject matter (course content),
- (3) Creativity in designing and using innovative teaching methods,
- (4) Impact on learning, based on student and peer evaluation, and
- (5) Impact on departmental teaching program.

Procedures:

- (1) Nominations may be made by Association members and/or departments located within the geographic scope of the Association.
- (2) Nomination Packet:
 - a. The nominator should submit a letter of nomination, supplementary tables and supporting items if desired. The letter of nomination should summarize the teaching accomplishments of the nominee with

respect to the criteria outlined above. The nomination letter is limited to no more than three pages (single spaced).

- b. Summary tables may be added to the letter of nomination to provide supplemental and supporting data. NOTE: Summary tables will not be counted as part of the three-page limit for the nomination letter and will also not be counted as one of the three supporting items.
- c. A maximum of three supporting items (letters of recommendation, publications, videos, etc.) may also be included. Each letter, publication, video, etc., counts as one item.

(3) Electronic files of all materials shall be sent to the chair of the awards committee. Supporting materials may be scanned and submitted.

(4) Selection of the award winner(s) will be made by a committee

Send nominations in pdf form to Kate Brooks at kbrooks4@unl.edu.

Graduate Paper or Master's Thesis Award

Purpose of the Award: To recognize outstanding research by graduate students from WAEA institutions.

Nature of the Award: The award will be called "Outstanding Graduate Published Paper or Thesis Award for the Western Agricultural Economics Association." This award will be made annually at the WAEA meeting. The winner will receive a certificate and a \$500 check.

Eligibility Requirements: Nominees must have completed the master's degree at a WAEA institution during the 2016 calendar year. Only thesis or graduate published papers bearing a completion date within the calendar year prior to the association meeting may be submitted from a WAEA institution.

Evaluation criteria:

- (1) Importance of the problem or topic
- (2) Significance of the results
- (3) Quality of the work
- (4) Effectiveness of reporting

Procedures: Nominations must be made by departments located within the geographic scope of the Association. Only one nomination per institution can be submitted. A letter of nomination and an electronic copy (pdf format) of the thesis needs to be emailed to the chair of the selection committee. The letter of nomination should summarize the research of the nominee with respect to the criteria outlined above.

Send nominations in pdf form to Eric Belasco eric.belasco@montana.edu.

Outstanding Published Research Award

Purpose of the Award: To recognize outstanding research by members of the Association.

Nature of the Award: The award will be called "Outstanding Published Research Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association." This award shall be made annually at the WAEA meeting. The winner(s) will receive a certificate.

Eligibility Requirements: At least one of the authors must be a member of the Association in the year the paper was published. Only research reports bearing a 2018 publication date will be considered. Articles published in the *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics* (JARE) are not eligible. Textbooks will not be considered published research for the purpose of this award.

Eligibility Criteria:

- (1) Importance and significance of the results,
- (2) Quality of the work, and
- (3) Effectiveness of reporting

Procedures:

- (1) Nominations must be made by WAEA members and/or departments within the WAEA's geographic scope
- (2) A pdf file of each publication will be emailed to the chair of the selection committee.
- (3) Selection of the award winner(s) will be made by a committee.

Send nominations in pdf form to Konstantinos Giannakas, kgiannakas2@unl.edu

Outstanding Extension Program Awards

- For Project
- For Career

Purpose of the Awards: To recognize outstanding extension programs by members of the Association.

Nature of the Awards: Two awards may be given annually. (1) The first shall be called the "Outstanding Extension Program Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association, for Project." This award shall be given to programs that are of less than or equal to five years duration. (2) The second award shall be called "Outstanding Extension Program Award of the Western Agricultural Economics Association, for Career." This award shall be given to programs that are of more than five years duration. These awards may be made annually at the WAEA meeting. The winner(s) will receive a certificate.

Eligibility Requirements: Nominee(s) must be actively involved in programs of informal education for audiences external to the university. The program may be that of either an individual or a group of individuals working as a team. If given to a team, at least one member of the team must be a member of the Association. If given to an individual, the winner must be a member.

Evaluation Criteria:

- (1) Importance of the problem or subject,
- (2) Cost effectiveness of the program,
- (3) Appropriateness of the economic analysis,
- (4) Effectiveness of communication methods, and
- (5) Evidence of accomplishments of objectives and positive impact on target audience(s).

Procedures:

- (1) Nominations must be made by Association members and/or departments located within the geographic scope of the Association.
- (2) Nomination Packet
 - a. The nominator should submit a letter of nomination, supplementary tables and supporting items if

desired. The letter of nomination should summarize the accomplishments of the nominee with respect to the criteria outlined above. The nomination letter is limited to no more than three pages (single spaced).

- b. Summary tables may be added to the letter of nomination to provide supplemental and supporting data. NOTE: Summary tables will not be counted as part of the three-page limit for the nomination letter and will also not be counted as one of the three supporting items.
- c. A maximum of three supporting items (letters of recommendation, publications, videos, etc.) may also be included. Each letter of recommendation, publication, video, etc. counts as one time.

(3) Electronic files of all materials shall be emailed to the chair of the awards committee. Supporting materials may be scanned and submitted.

(4) Selection of the award winner(s) will be made by a committee.

Send nominations to Shannon Ferrell, shannon.l.ferrell@okstate.edu.

Call for WAEA Fellow Award Nominations

Deadline: February 15, 2019

Send Applications to Randy Fortenberry, r.fortenberry@wsu.edu

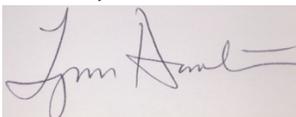
Purpose of the Award: To recognize individuals making an enduring contribution over their career to agricultural, resource, and/or environmental economics in the Western states and the WAEA, demonstrating excellence in some combination of the following areas of performance:

1. Basic and applied economics research
2. Integration of knowledge (textbook writing or synthetic reviews)
3. Service or outreach drawing on economic expertise
4. Teaching (undergraduate and/or graduate)
5. Administration (institution and/or WAEA)

Nomination Process: Any member of the association may nominate any living member for the honor of election as WAEA fellow by submitting a nomination no later than midnight, February 15, 2019. Documentation shall include a brief vitae (not to exceed six pages, double-spaced) along with a nomination letter describing why the person is worthy of the honor. The total nomination package will be limited to a maximum of eight typed, double-spaced pages. A nominee must be a current member of the association, having been a member for a total of at least 20 years.

Have a great holiday! The committee chairs, Board of Directors and I look forward to receiving many selected paper, symposium, and award submissions!

Sincerely,



Lynn Hamilton
2018-19 WAEA President