2017 Awards Program

Lake Tahoe, Nevada
July 9—July 11, 2017
2017 WAEA Awards Ceremony

Welcome .................................................... Wade Brorsen, President

Presentations

Outstanding Published Research Award
Outstanding Extension Program Award
Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award
Graduate Paper or Master’s Thesis Award
JARE Awards
WAEA Fellow Awards
Graduate Travel Grant Recipients

Closing .......................................................................... Wade Brorsen

Special Thanks to Award Committee Chairs and Members

Outstanding Published Research Award
Brian Whitacre (chair), Oklahoma State University
John Loomis, Colorado State University
Paul Jakus, Utah State University

Outstanding Extension Program Awards
Joann Warner (chair), Washington State University Extension
Trent Teegerstrom, University of Arizona
Kate Binzen Fuller, Montana State University

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award
Kerry Litzenberg (chair) Texas A&M
Marshall Frasier, Colorado State University
Lindsey Higgins, Cal Poly San Obispo
Sierra Howry, University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Bailey Norwood, Oklahoma State University

WAEA Graduate Paper or Master’s Thesis Award
Matt Stockton (chair), University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Xiaobing Zhao, Northern Arizona University

JARE Awards
David Lambert, Kansas State University
Hikaru Hanawa Peterson, University of Minnesota
Jeffrey Peterson, University of Minnesota
Tian Xia, Kansas State University

WAEA Fellow Awards
Dawn Thilmany (chair), Colorado State University
Gary Brester, Montana State University
Shida Henneberry, Oklahoma State University
Steven Blank, University of California-Berkeley
DeeVon Bailey, Utah State University

Outstanding Published Research Award

Outstanding Extension Program Award for Project
AgEconMT Project Team - Montana State University -
Anton Bekkerman, Eric Belasco, Diane Charlton, Kate Fuller, Joseph Janzen, Joel Schumacher and Brock Smith.

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award, More Than 10 Years Experience
James Sterns, Oregon State University

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award, Less Than 10 Years Experience
Shannon L. Ferrell, Oklahoma State University
Past WAEA Fellows

Julian M. Alston, University of California, Davis
DeeVon Bailey, Utah State University
Andrew Barkley, Kansas State University
David A. Bessler, Texas A&M University
Steven C. Blank, Virginia Tech
Michael Boland, University of Minnesota
Gary W. Brester, Montana State University
Wade Brossen, Oklahoma State University
Susan Capalbo, Oregon State University
Oral Capps, Jr., Texas A&M University
Harold O. Carter, University of California Davis
Ken Casavant, Washington State University
Bonnie G. Colby, University of Arizona
Stephen Devadoss, University of Idaho
Francis Epplin, Oklahoma State University
E. Bruce Godfrey, Utah State University
Chennat Gopalakrishnan, University of Hawaii
Shida R. Henneberry, Oklahoma State University
Dana Hoag, Colorado State University
Richard E. Howitt, University of California, Davis
Warren E. Johnston, University of California, Davis
Richard Just, University of Maryland
Ronald D. Lacewell, Texas A&M University
Jeffrey T. LaFrance, Monash University
F. Larry Leistritz, North Dakota State University
Kerry K. Litzenberg, Texas A&M University
John Loomis, Colorado State University
Alex F. McCalla, University of California, Davis
Bruce McCarl, Texas A&M University
Dale Menkhauo, University of Wyoming
Ron Mittelhammer, Washington State University
GianCarlo Moschini, Iowa State University
A. Gene Nelson, Texas A&M University
Gordon Rausser, University of California, Berkeley
James W. Richardson, Texas A&M University
Ted Schroeder, Kansas State University
Rich Sexton, University of California, Davis
J. Scott Shonkwiler, University of Nevada-Reno
Richard Shumway, Washington State University
Vincent H. Smith, Montana State University
Michele M. Veeman, University of Alberta
Cement E. Ward, Oklahoma State University
Myles J. Watts, Montana State University
Bruce Weber, Oregon State University
Norman K. Whittlesey, Washington State University
Paul Wilson, University of Arizona
Robert A. Young, Colorado State University
Doug Young, Washington State University

JARE Outstanding Journal Article Award


Honorable Mention for JARE Outstanding Article


JARE Outstanding Journal Reviewer Award, more than 10 Years Experience

Jason Winfree, University of Idaho

JARE Outstanding Journal Reviewer Award, less than 10 Years Experience

Steven Buck, University of Kentucky

Outstanding Graduate Paper or Master’s Thesis Award

CoAdvisors: Dr. Ken Belcher and Dr. Mohammad Khakbazan

Honorable Mention

Benjamin Harlow Tong, “Conservation Adoption Preferences, Determinants of Conservation Program Enrollment and Conservation Adoption in Oklahoma’s Fort Cobb Reservoir Watershed.” Stillwater, OK. Oklahoma State University.
Advisor: Dr. Tracy Boyer
Outstanding Seniors

Lauren Clark, Oklahoma State University
Kristen Droogh, Washington State University
Erika Frost, University of Nevada, Reno
William Hardin, University of Arizona
Theresa O’Leary, Oregon State University
Rachel Purdy, University of Wyoming
Ryan O’Reilly, Colorado State University
Ricardo Romero, Cal Poly Luis Obispo
Linda Tran Vo, University of California-Davis
Logan Zepp, University of Idaho

Graduate Travel Grant Recipients

Kayode Aajewode, Kansas State University
Ashlee Carlson, University of Nebraska—Lincoln
Weldensie Embaye, Kansas State University
Nam Nguyen, Utah State University
Yefan Nian, University of Arkansas
Syed Meerza, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Riley Seeger, Washington State University
Susanne Tabara Cenador, Utah State University
Grant West, University of Arkansas

WAEA Fellow Awards

Jayson Lusk is in the midst of transitioning from Regents Professor and Willard Sparks Endowed Chair in the Department of Agricultural Economics at Oklahoma State University to Professor and Head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at Purdue University. He has a BS in Food Technology and a PhD in Agricultural Economics from Kansas State University. He held previous faculty appointments at Mississippi State and Purdue. Lusk is a food and agricultural economist who studies what we eat and why we eat it. Since 2000, Lusk has published more than 190 journal articles in peer reviewed journals, including several of the most cited papers in the profession. He has served on the editorial councils of eight academic journals including the Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics. He was elected to and served on the executive committees of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association, the Western Agricultural Economics Association, and most recently the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association for which he currently serves as the president. Lusk was named a fellow of the AAEA in 2015.

Vicki A. McCracken, Professor and past Associate Director in the School of Economic Sciences at Washington State University (WSU), and current Chair of the Department of Apparel Merchandising Design and Textiles. She has spent her entire career since 1984 at WSU, serving as a faculty member and in various administrative positions - Associate Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, Associate Dean of Academics, and Vice Provost for Enrollment Management. She has taught courses in quantitative methods, intermediate micro, applied marketing analysis, and international trade and finance. Her research and extension interests range from analyzing social and economic issues of importance in agricultural production contexts to alternative agricultural markets and human health to identifying determinants of student academic success. Dr. McCracken has a steady stream of external grant funding that has supported her research resulting in a steady flow of conference presentations and publications. Dr. McCracken has been active in service throughout her career, in her department and university as well as within the profession and is a former WAEA president.