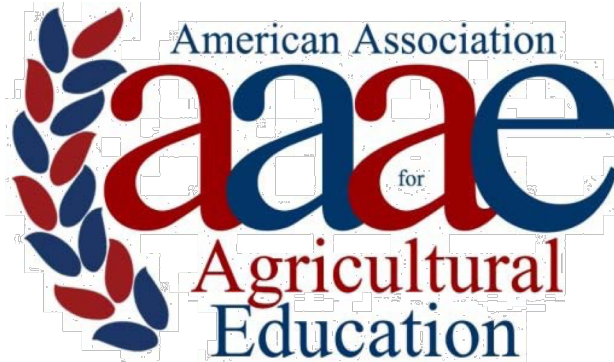


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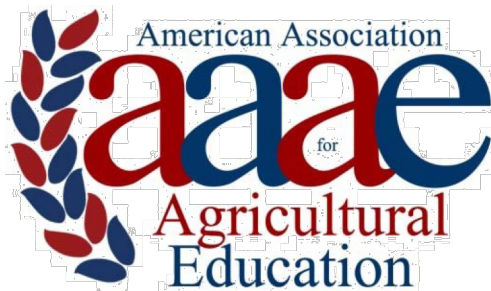


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**Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

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**3:00 – 6:00 p.m.**      **Registration, Ballroom Prefunction (SBH-1)**

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**Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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**7:45 – 8:45 a.m.**      **Graduate Student Breakfast, Forum J (FB-3)**  
(pre-registered graduate students)

**8:00 – 10:00 a.m.**      **Registration, Ballroom Prefunction (SBH-1)**

**8:00 – 9:30 a.m.**      **Coffee, Tea and Bagels, Ballroom Prefunction (SBH-1)**

**8:45 – 9:15 a.m.**      **Vespers, Birmingham Ballroom 1 (SBH-1)**  
Stephen Edwards, University of Mount Olive

**9:30 – 10:00 a.m.**      **Agricultural Education Opening Session, Birmingham Ballroom 1 (SBH-1)**

**10:15 – 11:45 a.m.**      **Concurrent Research Session I – 15 minute presentations, 15 minutes of discussion**

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**Session A – Diversity and Inclusion, East Meeting Room B (BJCC-1)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Jason Peake      **Facilitator:** Olivia Watson

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**Barriers, Challenges, and Alternatives of Recruiting Minority Students into Secondary School Agriculture Education Programs, K. S. U. Jayaratne, Travis Park, Jason Davis**

**Women Faculty in Postsecondary Agricultural and Extension Education: A Fifteen Year Update, Lauren Lewis Cline, Dr. Haley Rosson, Dr. Penny Pennington Weeks**

**Empowering Underrepresented Populations in STEM: Experiences of Agricultural Education Majors During a Service-Learning Project, Dr. Richie Roberts, Dr. Chastity Warren English, Dr. Antoine J. Alston**

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**Session B – Professional and Institutional Improvement, East Meeting Room D (BJCC-3)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Ed Osborne      **Facilitator:** Daniel Radford

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**There's No Place Like Home: Why Students Enrolled in an Agricultural Leadership Degree Completion Program, Dr. Penny Pennington Weeks, Dr. William G. Weeks, Lauren Lewis Cline**

**Does Experiential Learning Improve Student Performance in an Introductory Animal Science Course?, Dr. Eric D. Rubenstein, Savannah R. White, Dr. C. Robert Dove, Dr. T. Dean Pringle**

**Coauthor Network Analysis of Journal of Agricultural Education Articles from 2008-2017, Quisto Settle, Kathryn L. Teixeira, Rachel Bechtold, Catherine W. Shoulders, Audrey E. H. King**

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**Session C – Community and Local Issue Engagement, East Meeting Room C (BJCC-1)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Craig Edwards

**Facilitator:** Christopher Eck

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**Why do Growers Adopt Water Conservation Practices? Viewing Extension Opportunities through a New Lens,** Dr. Laura Warner, Dr. Alexa Lamm, Dr. Sarah White, Dr. Paul Fisher, Peyton Beattie

**Combining School-Community Partnerships and Entrepreneurship in an Agricultural Marketing Curriculum: The Students' Perspective,** Brooke Griggeory, Dr. Stacy K. Vincent, Dr. Carol D. Hanley, Dr. Daniel W. Kahl

**The Influence of Demographic Variables on Community Members' Perceptions of Community Viability,** Chantel Simpson, Lane Woodward, Rachel Mack, Asha H. Shayo, Dr. Sarah A. Bush, Dr. Rick Rudd

**12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Luncheon and introduction of graduate students and new faculty,** *Forum J (FB-3)*

**1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Committee Meetings –**  
**Membership Services,** *East Meeting Room K (BJCC-3)*  
**Program Improvement,** *East Meeting Room F (BJCC-3)*  
**Professional Development,** *East Meeting Room E (BJCC-3)*  
**Research,** *East Meeting Room J (BJCC-3)*

**2:30 – 3:30 Refreshment Break with Poster Session,** *Ballroom Prefunction (SBH-1)*  
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**2:45 – 4:00 p.m. Innovative Poster Session,** *Ballroom Prefunction (SBH-1)*

**A Bully-Free World,** LaToya Browk, Donna J. Peterson, Alisha Hardman, & Kirk A. Swortzel

**A Novel Educational Experience: A Hybrid Lab Course In a Microbiology Major,** Macarena Urrets-Zavalía, Sebastian Galindo-Gonzalez, Jennifer C Drew, Alexandria N Ardisson, Monika W Oli, Kelly C Rice, Associate, & Eric W Triplett

**Agricultural Mechanics for Non-Traditional Students,** Natalie Kincy Ferand & Andrew C. Thoron

**Agriscience Fair Jackpot: An Outreach Activity to Attract Science-minded Secondary Agriculture Students to an 1890 Land-grant University,** John Ricketts

**Agriscience Teacher Education Symposium,** Debra Barry & Dr. Andrew Thoron

**An Experiential Learning Approach to Improving Multicultural Education Among Preservice Teachers,** Brett M. Wasden, Sarah Warren, & Stacy K. Vincent

**Andragogical Lessons Learned from the Stockyards Beef Learning Series,** Sarah Warren & Dr. Rebekah B. Epps

**Bridging the Mandate Gap: Creating an Innovative Online Platform to Guide Teachers in Supervising Foundational SAEs**, Marshall A. Baker, J. Shane Robinson, & Jon Ramsey

**Building Agricultural Leadership Through Policy Explorations**, Daniel Radford, Joy Morgan, & Blake Brown

**Community Supported Agriculture for Floral Design**, Natalie Kincy Ferand & Andrew C. Thoron

**Differentiating Teaching Philosophies**, Jason Bullock, Susan Jones, & Wendy J. Warner

**Diffusing Educational Best Practices Adopted by Peace Corps Volunteers to U.S. Agricultural Educators**, Tegan Walker & James Lindner

**Equine Vaccinations: A "Ready-made" Lesson for 4-H Youth**, Sarah Bagley & Dr. Shane Robinson

**Exploring My World: A Cultural Awareness Curriculum**, Emily Cox, Julie Sexton, Kirk Swartzel, Tommy Phillips, & Susan Seal

**Food and My Story: An Exercise in Diversity Consciousness**, Cammie Weaver, Penny Pennington Weeks, & William Weeks

**Georgia Agricultural Education Partners for Pollinators**, Ashton Wheelless, Ami Harrington, Ashley Yopp, & Barry Croom

**Implementation of Video-Based STEM Curriculum Marketed Through Social Media**, Haley Kinney, Kristin Knight, Hannah Branscum, & Jeff Sallee

**Inclusion of Special Education Students in Agricultural Education Through Cooperative Learning**, Bradley Coleman & J.C. Bunch

**Lets Recap!: Using a Popular Smartphone Application to Facilitate Critical Reflection**, Adam O'Malley, Olivia Soler, Richie Roberts, & Kristin S. Stair

**Professional Development for Sustainable Bioenergy Educationopment**, Katie Monroe, Beatrix Haggard, Marshall A. Baker, J. Shane Robinson, Jeff Sallee, & Gopal Kakani

**Project PLANTS: Planting Middle School Leaders in Agriscience**, Rachel Berube, Elizabeth Driscoll, Elizabeth Overcash, & Travis Park

**Putting the "Pro" in Program: Facilitating Preservice Teachers' School-based Agricultural Education Program Development Competencies in a Youth Program Development Course**, OP McCubbins & Trent Wells

**Students for Cultivating Change: Developing Safe Environments for LGBTQ+ Students**, Jeremy Elliott-Engel, Chelsea Corkins, Joaquin (Ryan) Amaral, Donna Westfall-Rudd, & Rick Rudd

**Teach Ag Digital Escape Room**, Kathryn L. Teixeira, Christopher J. Eck, Jessica M. Toombs, & J. Shane Robinson

**The edTPA Planner: Providing a Roadmap for a High-Stakes Performance Assessment**, Wendy J. Warner, Shelby Bireley Travis D. Park, Joy E. Morgan, & Susan Jones

**The Impact of Social-Academic Experiences on In-Class Engagement**, Jordan DeWitt, Chandler Mulvaney, & Nick Fuhrman

**Tools and Techniques for Revising a State Extension Performance Appraisal System for Extension Agents, County Directors, and Area Extension Specialists**, Joseph L. Donaldson

**Using 360 Video for Teaching Performance Reflection**, OP McCubbins

**Using a Team-based Online Simulation to Promote Undergraduate Student Learning Outcomes in a Leadership Course on Groups and Teams**, Jonathan Orsini, Austin Council, & Nicole Stedman

**Using Stories and Imagery to Impact Learning in a College of Agriculture**, Diane Friend

**4:00 – 4:15 p.m.** SAAS Business Meeting, *Forum C (FB-2)*

**5:00 p.m.** SAAS Reception/ Super Bowl Party  
*Southern Kitchen and Bar, Uptown Entertainment District  
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**Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**

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**8:00 – 10:00 a.m.** Registration, *Ballroom Prefunction (SBH-1)*

**8:00 – 9:00 a.m.** Breakfast, *Ballroom 3 (SBH-1)*

**9:00 – 10:30 a.m.** Concurrent Research Session II – *15 minute presentations, 15 minutes of discussion*

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**Session D – Community and Civic Engagement**, *East Meeting Room D (BJCC-3)*

**Discussant and Chair:** Leslie Edgar

**Facilitator:** Lauren Cline

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**Factors Impacting Civic Responsibility Development During FFA Civic Engagement Activities**, Dr. Will Bird, Dr. Amanda Bowling, Dr. Anna Ball

**Benefits of Using Service-Learning in the Preparation of Teachers: An Analysis of Agricultural Education Teacher Educators' Beliefs and Intentions**, Dr. Richie Roberts, M. Craig Edwards, J. Shane Robinson

**Agriculture Organization Members' Communication Preferences and Motivation to Contact Elected Officials about Agriculture and Natural Resources Issues**, Levy Randolph, Caroline Roper, Dr. Shelli D. Rampold, Dr Ricky W. Telg



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**Session E – Enhancing Learning Experiences, East Meeting Room L (BJCC-3)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Barry Croom

**Facilitator:** Jason Bullock

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**Developing Metrics for Predicting Student Motivation to Enroll in a Short-Term Study Abroad Course from an Expectancy-Value-Cost Perspective,** Brandon M. Raczkoski, J. Shane Robinson, M. Craig Edwards, Marshall A. Baker, Sarah R. Gordon, Ki L. Matlock-Cole

**The Ugly Truth of Student-Teacher (Dis)engagement: An Ethnographic Account,** Ashley M. Yopp, Billy R. McKim, Yvonna S. Lincoln

**Utilizing Videos to Encourage Elaboration and Improve Attitudes Toward Fertilizer Best Practices,** Tiffany M. Rogers-Randolph, Dr. Laura A. Warner, Dr. Joy N. Rumble

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**Session F – Secondary Based Agricultural Education, East Meeting Room J (BJCC-3)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Brian Myers

**Facilitator:** Annabelle Stokes

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**Determining the Effects of the Smartphone as a Learning Tool on the Motivation of School-Based Agricultural Education Students in Louisiana,** H. Eric Smith, J. Joey Blackburn, Kristin S. Stair, Michael F. Burnett

**Identifying the Characteristics Necessary for Becoming an Effective Agricultural Education Teacher: A National Study,** Christopher J. Eck, J. Shane Robinson, Jon W. Ramsey, Ki L. Matlock-Cole

**Teaching Students with Special Needs in School-Based, Agricultural Education: A Historical Inquiry,** Kathryn L. Teixeira, Dr. M. Craig Edwards

**10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Refreshment Break, Birmingham Ballroom 1 (SBH-1)**  
Sponsored by Auburn University

**10:45 – 11:45 a.m. SR-AAAE Business Meeting Session I, Birmingham Ballroom 1 (SBH-1)**  
Travis Park, SR-AAAE President

**12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Luncheon and Distinguished Lecture, Birmingham Ballroom 3 (SBH-1)**

**1:30 – 2:45 p.m. Research Poster Session, Ballroom Prefunction (SBH-1)**

**A Qualitative Needs Assessment of Arkansas Urban Agriculturalists,** Catherine E. Dobbins, Leslie D. Edgar, Casandra K. Cox, Donna L. Graham, & Amanda P. Perez

**An Assessment of Agricultural Science Teachers' Knowledge of Biotechnology and Experience through Piloting New Biotechnology Curriculum,** Tanya C. Franke-Dvorak & Sue E. Nokes

**Completers of a Summer Residential Program for Agriculture: Where are They Now?**  
Abigail Hemby, Brittany Hoover, Jeremy Elliot-Engel, & Curtis Friedel

**Cultural Competence: How Skilled are Students Across Majors?** Candy Grant & Carla B. Jagger

**Cultural Engagement Among Agriculture, Food and Life Science Honors Students,** Isabel Whitehead, Casandra Cox, & K. Jill Rucker

**Culturally Responsive Teaching: Experiences of Underrepresented Students,** Christien Russell, Abbigail Petersen, & Carla B. Jagger

**Development and Evaluation of a Variable-Frequency Drive Trainer for use in a University Agricultural Electricity Course,** Colton Teekell, Patterson Hilaire, & Donald Johnson

**Do Teachers Need Support to Teach Students with Specific Learning Disabilities,** Kailee Morris & Catherine A. DiBenedetto

**Echoes in the Void: Agriculturalists Perceptions of Communicating with Non-Agricultural Populations,** Chris Clemons & James Lindner

**Educational Feedback Formats: Student Perceptions in an Undergraduate Honors Research Course,** Rachel Bechtold & Catherine Shoulders

**Establishing Instrument Validity for the Professional Identity Scale in Agricultural Education: A Focus on the Educator's Professional Identity,** Bradley D. Borges, Reagan J. Grubbs, & Catherine W. Shoulders

**Establishing Instrument Validity for the Professional Identity Scale in Agricultural Educators: A Focus on the Agriculturalist's Professional Identity,** Mary Samoei & Catherine Shoulders

**Extension's Role in Precision Agriculture: A Case Study of Auto-Steer Adoption in [state],** Patrick J. Poindexter, Annabelle Stokes, & Laura L. Greenhaw

**Faculty Perspectives on and Strategies for Mentoring Underrepresented Minority Students in Research,** Donna Westfall-Rudd & Hannah Scherer

**Fostering Academic Success for University Agriculture Students: The Role of Social Self-Efficacy on First-Year Grade Point Average,** Morgan A. Richardson, Whitney L. Figland, Adam O'Malley, Olivia Soler, Kristin S. Stair, Richie Roberts, & J. Joey Blackburn

**Is 'Rural' a Risk Factor for Freshmen-to-Sophomore Non-Retention in a College of Agriculture?** Isabel Whitehead, Donald Johnson, Kate Shoulders, & Leslie Edgar

**Mississippi Agriculture in the Classroom Program: Through the Lens of Educators,** Jessica N. Smith, Carley C. Morrison, Michael E. Newman, & Julie B. White

**Poultry Labeling: Knowledge and Perceptions Among Adolescents,** Eleni Parsons, K. Jill Rucker, Leslie D. Edgar, M. Betsy Garrison, & Casandra Cox

**Ringling the Schoolhouse Bell: Identifying Competencies, Attitudes and Perceptions of Teacher Success and Longevity**, Tegan Walker, Chris Clemons, & James Lindner

**Risk and Dread Perceptions of Secondary Agricultural Student: An Exploratory Study Using the Psychometric Paradigm**, Brett Wasden, Stacy K. Vincent, & Mason Tate

**Teaching Enhancement through Agricultural Laboratories Workshop: Effects on Self-Efficacy Towards and Intent to Teach Simulated Laboratories**, Reagan J. Grubbs, Donald M. Johnson, Catherine W. Shoulders, Donna L. Graham, & George Wardlow

**The Benefits of Student-Created Plant Identification Notebooks**, Tristen Brooke Johnson, Summer Lee Taylor, & Stephen Wyatt Edwards

**The Effect of a Teaching in a Laboratory Setting Course on Pre-Service Teacher Self-Efficacy**, Brianna N. Shanholtzer & Andrew C. Thoron

**The Role of Living-Learning Communities and University Agriculture Students' Retention**, Olivia Soler, Adam O'Malley, Whitney L. Figland, Morgan A. Richardson, Kristin S. Stair, Richie Roberts, & J. Joey Blackburn

**Victory Gardens: Significance to 4-H, Cooperative Extension, and Agricultural Education**, Emma Cannon, Barbara Kirby, & Joy Morgan

**What Effect Does an Encouraging Email Have on Motivating Students for a Course Before the Semester Starts?** Lauren Lewis Cline & Dr. J. Shane Robinson

**What Factors Influence College Students' Proficiency for Career Readiness?** Victoria C. Willis, Catherine A. DiBenedetto, & Michael Vassalos

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**      **Refreshment Break**, *East Meeting Room Area*  
Sponsored by the University of Mt. Olive

**3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**      **Professional Development Sessions**, *Each workshop will be 25 minutes in length and will be run three times.*

**Review of JAE Manuscripts**, Dr. Kate Shoulders  
*East Meeting Room E (BJCC-3)*

**Qualitative and Historical Research Basics**, Dr. Craig Edwards, Dr. Barry Croom  
*East Meeting Room G (BJCC-3)*

**Quantitative Design and Frameworks**, Dr. Don Johnson  
*East Meeting Room O (BJCC-3)*

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**8:30 – 9:30 a.m.**      **SR-AAAE Business Meeting Session II, Birmingham Ballroom 1 (SBH-1)**  
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**9:45 – 11:15 a.m.**      **Concurrent Research Session III – 15 minute presentations, 15 minutes of discussion**

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**Session G – Faculty Teaching and Learning, East Meeting Room J (BJCC-3)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Shane Robinson

**Facilitator:** Macarena Urrets-Zavalía

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**Perceived Self-efficacy for Teaching and Faculty Development Needs of Early Career Faculty at Land Grant Universities, Dr. Lucas Maxwell, Dr. Will Bird, Dr. Anna Ball**

**Exploring Learning Styles Expressed In Teaching Philosophies Among University Faculty, Tyler D'Angelo, Jessica Harsh, J.C. Bunch, Alexa J. Lamm, Andrew Thoron, T. Grady Roberts**

**The Rookie: Describing a Researcher's First Year Teaching in a University Classroom, Emma Winterhalter, Carley C. Morrison, Jesse I. Morrison**

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**Session H – Undergraduate and Secondary Curriculum Development, East Meeting Room D (BJCC-3)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Tracy Rutherford

**Facilitator:** Sharon Wagner

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**Undergraduate Students' Perceptions of Team-Based Learning During an Introductory Agricultural Mechanics Course: A Mixed Methods Study, Whitney L. Figland, J. Joey Blackburn, Richie Roberts**

**Improving Forestry Secondary Education: Identifying Teachers' Needs, Dr. Eric D. Rubenstein, Dr. Carolyn A. Copenheaver, Dr. Jason B. Peake**

**I think I can!: Utilizing Goal Orientations and Academic Efficacy to Predict the Academic Performance of Freshmen College of Agriculture Students, Olivia Soler, Adam O'Malley, Whitney L. Figland, Morgan Richardson, J. Joey Blackburn, Kristin S. Stair, Richie Roberts**

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**Session I – Leadership Development and Goal Setting, East Meeting Room L (BJCC-3)**

**Discussant and Chair:** Bill Weeks

**Facilitator:** Kathryn Teixeira

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**Leadership Development Program Satisfaction: An Evaluation of the Role of Leader Member Exchange, Dr. Kevan W. Lamm, Dr. Kerry Priest**





**Undergraduate Goal Setting: Analyzing Personality as a Predictor, Dr. Kevan W. Lamm, Emaná Sheikh, Dr. Don W. Edgar**

**Evaluating Leadership Development Programs: A Social Network Analysis Approach**, Dr. Kevan W. Lamm, Dr. Hannah S. Carter







**11:30 – 1:30 p.m.**     **Awards Luncheon**, *Birmingham Ballroom 3 (SBH-1)*

**SR-AAAE Conference Adjourns After Lunch**

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