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# Announcing a New Journal Journal of Agricultural Economics Issues

The Southern Agricultural Economics Association will begin sponsoring a new journal, to be titled the Journal of Agricultural Economics Issues (JAEI), as approved by the SAEA membership at its 1995 annual meeting. [This Journal, the Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics, will also continue to be published, but under a new editorship at the University of Georgia (address inside cover).] Plans are to publish two issues in each volume, commencing with an issue dated July, 1996. The purpose of the JAEI is to provide a forum for important agricultural economics issues, with content designed to be accessible all of those interested in agricultural economics, and to serve as a source for insightful readings for classroom use. The new Journal particularly will serve as a scholarly forum for those individuals who, by nature of their positions and appointments, have not been well served by the traditional quantitative technical journals in agricultural economics. Articles chosen for publication in the Journal will be selected because of their interest to a broad spectrum of agricultural economists regardless of where they are geographically located. The format will be similar to that of other scholarly journals, combining some of the characteristics of The Journal of Economics. The JAEI will contain survey, review and critique articles, analyses and syntheses of previous research, methodological issues and comment on current issues.

The editors' goal is to produce the most widely read journal in agricultural economics. Selection of articles will, in part, be based on reviewers' assessments of the portion of the subscribers that will likely read the article. Since one objective of the *JAEI* is to communicate with a broad array of agricultural economists, including those who are not quantitative researchers, emphasis will also be placed on the use of words and charts rather than mathematics and econometrics to communicate ideas. In general, articles that employ mathematical equations, regression parameter estimates and the like to report the results of quantitative research for publication in the *JAEI*.

The JAEI will be to be divided into five sections, each with a separate purpose. The *Themes* section will include approximately three articles in each issue dealing with an important current topical issue in agricultural economics that falls under a pre-selected theme. Submitted articles would be refereed by editorial council members or their designated reviewers. This section would place particular emphasis on analysis and synthesis of previous research in a specific topic area.

The *Features* section in each issue will include invited and submitted articles by agricultural economics scholars, consistent with the new *Journal's* purpose. This section will place particular emphasis on survey and critique articles of current agricultural economic literature. Features topics for forthcoming issues will be announced regularly in advance in the *SAEA* newsletter.

Submitted Articles are not restricted to the announced themes, but may be on any topic thought to be of interest to the readership, and may be submitted by anyone. These articles will be refereed by editorial council members or their designated reviewers. Writers are reminded of the broad spectrum of readers, and that the review process will screen for articles which will be widely read, provocative, and present innovative and perhaps controversial ways of looking at agricultural economics issues.

*Review Articles* may be submitted by anyone or invited by the editors. This section will include reviews of the current state of the literature related to a particular methodological problem or policy issue of current interest within agricultural economics.

*Commentary* are short (1,000 words or less) articles dealing with important topics and issues. This section includes, but is not limited to, comments on articles previously published in this or other agricultural economics journals. This is also envisioned as a forum for opinion pieces on controversial current agricultural economics issues.

Agricultural economists who are members of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association will receive copies of the *JAEI* as part of their regular membership (\$15 domestic and \$25 foreign per year). The Southern Agricultural Economics Association welcomes new members no matter where they reside. To defray publication expenses, a \$65 page charge will be levied on all authors. Submissions for the *JAEI*, and any other ideas including suggestions for features topics and themes should be mailed to

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