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| **Logo small** | **AAAE OUTSTANDING EARLY CAREER MEMBER**  **SOUTHERN REGION**  **Award Criteria & Nomination Instructions** |

**Purpose:**

To recognize an AAAE member who has made significant contributions to agricultural education, broadly defined, in their first seven years following awarding of terminal degree.

**Nomination and Selection Procedures**

1. The nomination may be made by any colleague of the nominee or self-nominations are accepted.
2. Nominations must be uploaded to the designated award site by the established deadline.
3. The regional awards representative will receive applications and coordinate the selection process.
4. The Regional AAAE Board of Directors, upon recommendation of the selection committee, will make the award.

**Criteria for Selection**

1. The nominee must be an active member of the AAAE who has maintained continuous membership in the association for three years.
2. The nominee must have seven years or less service since awarding of terminal degree.
3. The nominee must have been a member of the AAAE region for the previous two years.
4. Selection will be based on documentation of outstanding accomplishments and contributions.

**Nomination Materials**

Nomination packets must include and shall be limited to:

1. Cover sheet (see next page).
2. Statement of impact written by nominee, maximum two typewritten (12-point, Times font) pages, which may address research, teaching, engagement, and contributions to agricultural education, broadly defined.
3. Evidence of excellence, not to exceed four typewritten (12-point, Times font) pages, should include:
   1. Summary of teaching responsibilities, evaluations conducted by students, teaching awards, student mentorship, or other relevant accomplishments.
   2. Proof of contributions to the scholarship in agricultural education, broadly defined, as documented by a list of publications, funding, presentations, public dissemination of information, and/or awards.
   3. Demonstration of leadership, service, and engagement in agricultural education, broadly defined, on a regional, national, or international level documented by a candidate’s statement and/or a list of contributions.
4. Impact in agricultural education, broadly defined
   1. Two letters of support from individuals familiar with the nominees’ research, teaching, and/or engagement contributions in agricultural education, broadly defined.
   2. Limited to one typewritten (12-point, Times font) page for each letter.

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| **Logo small** | **AAAE OUTSTANDING EARLY CAREER MEMBER**  **COVER SHEET** | |
| Nominee: |  | |
| Institution: |  | |
| Title: |  | |
| Professional Employment Record: | | |
| Degrees Held: | | |
| Does this application come with the support of the applicant's department chair? | |  |
| Name and contact information of department chair or direct supervisor: | |  |

Nomination packets limited to: Cover sheet, statement of impact, evidence of excellence as an early career member and letters of support. Nomination should be saved as one PDF document and electronically submitted using the following link (http://www.aaae.agedweb.org/awards/) **no later than Tuesday, January 4, 2022.**

**Only one nomination per institution will be considered.**

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| CRITERIA | 4  SUPERIOR | 3  EXCELLENT | 2  GOOD | 1  AVERAGE |
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| Proof of contributions to the scholarship in agricultural education, broadly defined, as documented by a list of publications, funding, presentations, public dissemination of information, and/or awards.  Demonstration of leadership, service, and engagement in agricultural education, broadly defined, on a regional, national, or international level documented by a candidate’s statement and/or a list of contributions. |  |  |  |  |
| Impact in agricultural education as evidenced by letters of support. |  |  |  |  |
| Applicant is truly distinguished in their field as evidenced by the materials provided in packet. |  |  |  |  |
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| TOTAL SCORE |  |  |  |  |