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Announcements

Honorable Mention for AAEA Choices Article

The AAEA selected, "The Debate about Farm Nitrates and Drinking Water," authored by Mark J. Hanson, Andrew Keller, Mike Boland and Bill Lazarus to receive an *Honorable Mention* Agricultural & Applied Economics Association's Outstanding *Choices* Article Award. Congratulations to all for their outstanding scholarship, and a thanks to CIFAP for their assistance in the funding.

Call for Papers

Tufts University will be hosting the 2017 Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) Conference on November 4th and 5th, 2017. Papers that investigate topics in economic development are invited for submission. The final date for submitting a paper is August 18, 2017. Only full drafts will be considered, including an abstract not exceeding 300 words. For further details and how to submit, please visit the [Tufts NEUDC website](#).

Jobs

Graduate Fellowship

The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) at MIT's economics department announces a fellowship program offering financial support for one semester for current PhD students. During the fellowship, students will work with some of J-PAL's 150 affiliated professors from dozens of universities around the world, re-analyzing RCTs from scratch. The purpose of the fellowship is to create a collaborative environment for reproducing and replicating the data analyses included in these studies. [Read more about this position and application procedure.](#)

Sponsorship Sales & Industry Relations Manager

Hummer Agribusiness Search, Inc is seeking a sponsorship sales & industry relations manager to join their enthusiastic team. This position will develop strong relationships with industry partners, solicit funds from agribusinesses, sell ads to agribusinesses for association publications, secure sponsorships for trade show booth and speakers for the annual meeting, coordinate activities of the Soybean Industry Relations Action Team. More information is available [here](#).

Postdoctoral Position

Professor Siqi Zheng at the Department of Urban Studies and Planning, the Center for Real Estate, and the STL Lab at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is seeking exceptional candidates to fill two postdoctoral positions. Responsibilities of these positions include: conducting high-quality research, presenting research results at international workshops, conferences and exhibits, co-authoring articles for publication in top-tier, peer-reviewed journals, managing working paper series and organizing research seminars.

Interested candidates should submit a CV, cover letter, and three references with contact information to [Lu Men](#).

Environmental Economist

Cape Cod Commission is seeking an experienced economist to work as part of a team to craft economic strategies for the region, ensuring an understanding of the value and benefits from the natural environment. Monitor and analyze market and environmental trends and interpret indicators to ascertain the overall health of an environment and the economy. Conduct quantitative research, build models, perform economic, fiscal, and market analyses, and assist with regional planning projects and policy research. [Visit the website](#) for more information and complete job description.

Editor/Content Creator

Penton Media is looking for a Senior Editor/Content Creator. Choose from Penton/Informa offices or work remotely. This person will work closely with the content team to collect, compile, and report media, news and data through print and digital productions and help farmers with up-to-date market information through leading technology. Journalism experience with weekly and monthly deadlines; knowledge of markets and finance, some travel and photography, significant comfort level with mathematics and translating data into words and graphics, knowledge of statistics, forecasting and economics. [Apply online](#).

Departmental Publications

Aistrup, Joseph A., Tom Bulatewicz, Laszlo J. Kulcsar, Jeffrey M. Peterson, Stephen M. Welch, and David R. Steward. 2017. "Sustaining the Ogallala Aquifer: From the Wells to People, A Holistic CNH Model." *Hydrology and Earth System Sciences Discussions*, May 2017. doi:10.5194/hess-2017-300. Available [online](#).

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