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NAEAA 2024 Awards

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The National Association of Equine Affiliated Academics (NAEAA) honored faculty and staff at the [15th Annual NAEAA Conference](#) May 28-30, 2024, hosted by Delaware Valley University. The NAEAA Don Henneke Educational Impact Award was created in 2013. The rest of the awards were created in 2022. Please join us in congratulating the awardees.

2024 NAEAA Awardees:

- Junior Faculty Award - Chelsie Huseman, Ph.D., Texas A&M University
- Senior Faculty Award - Crystal Smith, Ed.D., West Virginia University
- Don Henneke Educational Impact Award - Sue McDonnell, Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania
- Teaching Award - Lena Luck, Ph.D., University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- Research Award - Rebecca Splan, Ph.D., Delaware Valley University
- Service Award - Amy Burk, Ph.D., University of Maryland

[NAEAA annual conferences](#) are designed to advance the equine academic discipline through increased cooperation and communication. Founded in 2007, NAEAA is a non-profit professional organization representing individuals from public and private institutions and the equine industry that strive to educate undergraduates within an equine academic program. The core belief of the organization is that there is educational and societal value in the equine disciplines of study. The mission is to strengthen post-secondary equine academic programs, provide networking opportunities, and facilitate increased cooperation and information sharing among our members. More information about NAEAA, [the award descriptions](#), and the [2024 conference](#) can be found at www.naeaa.com.