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Neil E. Harl is Charles F. Curtiss Distinguished Professor in Agriculture and Emeritus Professor of Economics at Iowa State University. He received a Bachelor of Science degree from Iowa State in 1955, a Juris Doctor (law) from The University of Iowa in 1961, and a Ph.D. in economics from Iowa State University in 1965.

Dr. Harl has received the following awards—

- 1970 Outstanding Extension Program Award, American Agricultural Economics Association (AAEA)
- 1973 Outstanding Teacher Award, Iowa State University
- 1975 Award for Excellence in Communication of Research Results, AAEA
- 1976 Designated as Charles F. Curtiss Distinguished Professor in Agriculture, Iowa State University  
Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award, American Agricultural Economics Association
- 1977 Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award, American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers
- 1979 Elected to Executive Board, American Agricultural Economics Association  
Appointed to Advisory Group, U.S. Commissioner of Internal Revenue
- 1980 Faculty Service Award, National University Extension Association  
Elected President, American Agricultural Law Association
- 1981 Discussion Leader of the Year Award, Iowa Society of Certified Public Accountants  
Discussion Leader of the Year Award, Nebraska Society of Certified Public Accountants
- 1982 Named University Fellow, Drake University School of Law
- 1983 Elected President, American Agricultural Economics Association
- 1984 Distinguished Service Award, American Agricultural Editors Association  
Distinguished Service Award, American Agricultural Law Association (first one given)  
University Extension Distinguished Service Award, Iowa State University
- 1985 Distinguished Achievement Citation, Iowa State University Alumni Association
- 1986 Farm Leader of the Year, *Des Moines Register* (first one given)  
Iowa Distinguished Service Award, State of Iowa  
Distinguished Service to State Government, National Governors' Association  
Named Fellow, American Agricultural Economics Association
- 1987 Discussion Leader of the Year Award for 1986, Nebraska Society of Certified Public Accountants  
Henry A. Wallace Award for Distinguished Service to Agriculture, Iowa State University  
Superior Service Award, U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Appointed as a member to the Technology Assessment Advisory Council, Office of Technology Assessment,  
United States Congress  
Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- 1989 Executive Board (Iowa), US West Communications  
Academic Fellow, American College of Trusts and Estates Counsel  
Outstanding Educator, Mortar Board
- 1990 Director, Center for International Agricultural Finance
- 1991 President's Award, Iowa State Bar Association  
Fellow, Iowa State Bar Foundation
- 1992 Elected vice chair, Technical Assistance Advisory Committee, Office of Technology Assessment, United States Congress  
Iowa Farm Bureau Distinguished Service to Iowa Agriculture Award  
Board of Directors, American Agricultural Economics Association Foundation
- 1993 Regents Award for Faculty Excellence, Iowa State Board of Regents  
Elected chair, Technical Assistance Advisory Committee, Office of Technology Assessment, United States Congress
- 1996 Distinguished Service to Iowa Agriculture, Iowa Chapter—American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers
- 1997 Charles A. Black Award, Council of Agricultural Science and Technology
- 1998 Outstanding Achievement in Public Issues Education—For the program, "Iowa's Pork Industry-Dollars and Scents,"  
National Public Policy Education Committee, Farm Foundation
- 1999 Iowa State University's Excellence in International Agriculture Award
- 1999 Distinguished Service to Agriculture, Chicago Farmers Club
- 2000 Speaker of the Year Award, National Society of Accountants
- 2000 Iowa Master Farmer Exceptional Service Award

- 2000 College of Agriculture's Team Award 2000 for project "Iowa's Land and Environment—Serving Competing Needs"
- 2000 Member of Managing Risks and Profits, which received the American Agricultural Economics Association's Outstanding Extension Group Award
- 2000 Appointed to two-year term on Advisory Committee on Biotechnology, USDA
- 2002 Presidential Service Award, Iowa State University
- 2003 Appointed to Commission on Payment Limitations in Agriculture
- 2003 Honorary Member, Golden Key International Honor Society at Iowa State University
- 2006 Service to American and World Agriculture, National Association of County Agricultural Agents

Dr. Harl was Director of the Center for International Agricultural Finance that conducts educational programs for individuals from Central and Eastern Europe, the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltics. The Center has conducted Schools of Agricultural Banking, Credit and Finance in the U.S. since 1990 for Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. Under his direction, two-week schools have been conducted abroad in Latvia (2), Estonia (2), Czechoslovakia, Albania, Lithuania, Russia and Ukraine (3). Harl has also lectured in The Peoples Republic of China, Australia, England, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Venezuela. He has also led task forces to the Czech Republic (2), Slovakia and Ukraine advising central governments.

His main areas of interest include organization of the farm firm, taxation, estate planning and legal and economic aspects of farm finance. Dr. Harl is author or co-author of more than 450 publications in legal and economic journals and bulletins and more than 800 in various farm and financial publications. He has spoken widely on debtor-creditor relations, estate planning and organization of the farm business with over 3,300 speaking appearances in 43 states. He is the author of 15 editions of **Farm Estate and Business Planning**; author of the 15-volume technical treatise **Agricultural Law**, published by Matthew Bender and Co., **Farm Income Tax Manual**, published by Matthew Bender and Co., and **Agricultural Law Manual**, published by Agricultural Law Press; co-author of **Farmland**; co-author (with Roger McEowen) of **Principles of Agricultural Law** and **Law of the Land: Fundamentals of Agricultural Law**; co-author of **Tax Management Portfolios—The Family-Owned Business Deduction, Taxation of Cooperatives, Reporting Farm Income**; and author of **Legal and Tax Guide for Agricultural Lenders**. He is the author of **The Farm Debt Crisis of the 1980s**, Iowa State University Press, October, 1990 and **Arrogance and Power: The Saga of WOI-TV**.