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Position Information

Position Title

Extension Educator

Salary

Commensurate with education and experience

Benefits

Comprehensive benefits package:
<https://www.hr.msu.edu/benefits/index.html>

Location

Kalamazoo County

To Apply

Current MSU Employees:

Access the EBS portal. Under the My Career and Training section, select the Careers @ MSU tile to view Internal Job Postings.

External Applicants:

Visit <http://careers.msu.edu>

Posting Number:

453076

Application Deadline:

Application review will begin September 11, 2017 and continue until a suitable candidate has been identified.

Contact for Questions

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Farm Management Educator

Position Overview

As part of Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) and the Agriculture and Agribusiness Institute (AABI), the successful Extension Educator will provide local as well as statewide leadership and educational programming expertise in Farm Management with emphasis on whole-farm business analysis. The successful applicant will work with farmers and agribusiness across southwest Michigan and work statewide as appropriate. Southwest Michigan reflects much of the diversity of agriculture in Michigan with many large and progressive farmers farming the region. This position will collaborate across work teams, Institutes and commodity groups, and work with faculty, specialists and educators for overall advancement of Michigan agricultural industries. This position will be the regional point-of-contact for Southwest Michigan leadership and educational programming expertise in farm management with an emphasis on farm business analysis, business transition, income tax education, and general farm business management topics such as economics of technologies and return on investment. The successful applicant will design, implement and evaluate educational programming, that is research based, will address the needs of clientele groups; ensure dissemination of research-based information through various methods, including multi-media, in-person education, social media, use of distance education technologies, written articles, bulletins, etc. The successful candidate will provide learning experiences and information for farmers and agri-business professionals that will contribute to enhancing profitable agricultural products, contribute to the short and long-term viability of farms, and the economic well-being of Michigan residents, and serve as an informational resource for Extension personnel.

Qualifications (see full description for complete list of requirements)

Minimum Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in field of study related to farm business management with an expectation to complete a Master's degree within a specified time frame, in a related field, after employment; or, Master's degree from an accredited institution in a field of study related to farm business management.

Desired Qualifications

- Persons possessing both a Bachelor of Science degree in a Farm Management related field, and a Master of Science degree in an agriculture related field are encouraged to apply; or, persons with formal training in finance or economic analysis and small business related experience, with the understanding to either have or acquire a M.S. degree in an agribusiness related field are encouraged to apply;

Application Process

To view the full position description and required qualifications, please visit the applicable Michigan State University careers page (internal candidate or external candidate) as noted under the To Apply section. **Search for posting number 453076 using the Job Search field.**

In addition to a current resume and cover letter, applicants should provide four (4) professional references with email addresses.

This is a full-time, end-dated appointment renewable annually based upon successful performance and continued funding.