

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION
Joint Appointment in YOUTH DEVELOPMENT & AGRICULTURAL
EDUCATION (75%) and CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION (25%),
Academic Year Appointment with Potential for Summer Support

Responsibilities: Purdue University invites applications for the position of Assistant Professor of Agricultural Education. We seek a dynamic and innovative individual who will teach the agricultural teacher education preparation methods courses, supervise preservice teaching experiences, and teach other undergraduate and graduate courses. The successful candidate will develop a focused area of research and other scholarly activities of national scope in an area such as learning and instruction, agricultural STEM education, international/global education, engagement, or culturally inclusive pedagogies. Engagement with K-12 audiences and agricultural education stakeholders throughout the year is expected.

Qualifications: Required: A doctoral (or equivalent) degree in agricultural education or related area (such as Career and Technical Education; Curriculum and Instruction) with a focus in teacher preparation. Contemporary professional experiences at middle or high school levels. Commitment to working with and mentoring inclusive populations. Demonstrated scholarship of discovery on teaching and learning in agriculture, food and natural resources. Demonstrated potential to attract external funding. Ability to work as part of a team. **Preferred:** Minimum three years of secondary agricultural education teaching experience. Experience teaching undergraduate teacher preparation methods course(s), experience engaging with external and diverse audiences and interdisciplinary collaborations, and experience advising undergraduate students.

The Departments: YDAE is home to undergraduate programs in Agricultural Education and Agricultural Communication, as well as a nationally renowned graduate program focused on learning and communication in the Agricultural context. Faculty and staff are committed to carrying on the full range of discovery, learning, and engagement missions of a major land-grant research university. The department has 12 faculty, two post-docs, eight administrative professionals, and two clerical staff supporting 158 undergraduates pursuing B.S. degrees and 30 graduate students pursuing M.S. and Ph.D. degrees. The department has a national reputation in the areas of curriculum development, STEM education, international engagement and science communication. The Curriculum and Instruction Department is home to nationally accredited undergraduate programs in elementary and social studies education, as well as numerous graduate programs in various content areas. Additionally, the department partners with six colleges to deliver seventeen undergraduate majors as part of a collaborative teacher education program. There is excellent interdisciplinary and interdepartmental cooperation among the Colleges of Agriculture, Veterinary Medicine, Health and Human Sciences, Education, and the Brian Lamb School of Communication. The Department's strategic plan can be accessed at <https://ag.purdue.edu/ydae/>

The Colleges: The Department of YDAE is an integral part of the College of Agriculture, one of the world's leading colleges of agricultural, food, life, and natural resource sciences and ranked eighth globally in the 2016 QS World University Rankings. The College is deeply committed to the three land-grant missions (teaching, research, and extension), to international activities and perspectives that span all missions, and to excellence in all we do. The College's strategic plan can be accessed at <https://ag.purdue.edu/plan/Pages/default.aspx>. The College has 11 academic departments and includes 325 faculty, 2,782 undergraduate students, and 690 graduate students. The College of Education is focused on two signature areas, K-12 STEM Education and education for social justice and diversity. The College has two academic departments and includes 80 faculty, 552 undergraduate students, and more than 800 graduate students.

Application Procedure: Qualified persons are requested to submit the following: a letter of application; a research plan and teaching philosophy; complete curriculum vitae; names, titles, and contact information of five references. Purdue University's Department of Youth Development and Agricultural Education is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort, including scholarship, instruction, and engagement. Candidates should address at least one of these areas in their cover letter, indicating their past experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion. Purdue is an ADVANCE institution – www.purdue.edu/dp/advance. A background check is required for employment in this position.

Applications, nominations, and inquiries should be addressed to: Professor Allen Talbert, Chair of the Search Committee, Purdue University, 615 W. State Street, West Lafayette IN 47907-2053. Electronic submission is preferred and should be sent to melissaj@purdue.edu. Screening of applicants will begin December 1, 2017, and will continue until a suitable candidate is identified. Questions regarding the position may be sent to Allen Talbert at (765) 494-8433 (btalbert@purdue.edu).

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.