CAREER OPPORTUNITY

POSITION X2435 Extension Specialist, Value-Added Agriculture Financial Analysis

LOCATION University of Tennessee, Institute of Agriculture, Extension, Center for Profitable Agriculture at the

Ridley 4-H Center in Columbia, Tennessee

EFFECTIVE DATE Screening of applicants' credentials will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

Target start date will be June 1, 2024.

SALARY AND BENEFITS

Salary is commensurate with training and experience. Benefits include group hospitalization and life insurance, State Employees Retirement; Workers' Compensation; sick and annual leave; numerous University of Tennessee and state benefits programs, including liberal time off for holidays and longevity pay after three years of service; reimbursement for official travel.

JOB DESCRIPTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Center for Profitable Agriculture is a center within UT Extension and a partnership with the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation. The Center staff work to help farmers analyze and develop value-added agriculture enterprises across the state. The Extension Specialist - Value-Added Agriculture Financial Analysis provides leadership for planning, implementing and evaluating statewide educational programs in value-added agriculture financial analysis and business development. The Extension Specialist - Value-Added Agriculture Financial Analysis is a full-time, non-tenure track, 100% Extension position. Success in this position necessitates a high level of individual initiative and in-person collaboration, teaching and consultation prompting overnight travel and work beyond the normal work schedule, including some evenings and weekends.

REQUIREMENTS

- Master's degree in Agricultural Economics, Economics, Finance, Marketing or Business Administration. Applicants graduating prior to target start date are welcome to apply.
- Sound knowledge of financial analysis and business fundamentals.
- Knowledge and skills that demonstrate promise in Extension program development, implementation, and evaluation.
- Ability to provide leadership to multidisciplinary teams as well as the ability to work as an effective team member.
- Ability to manage and prioritize responsibilities for multiple projects.
- Effective verbal and written communication skills.
- Proficiency with computer applications such as Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook), Internet (Web, e-mail), etc.

PREFERENCES

- Knowledge of agricultural Extension programs and the land-grant mission.
- Knowledge, skills or experience in developing grant proposals.
- Transcripts showing an earned Bachelor's degree in an agricultural field or significant knowledge of the agricultural industry.

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Please apply online by clicking this link: External Applicants

Internal Applicants

Attach the following electronic documents to the application:

- Curriculum vita or resume;
- Letter of interest;
- Official transcript(s) showing degree(s) conferred.

For additional information, please contact:

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