



Position Announcement: County Extension Agent – Agriculture & Natural Resources – Treutlen County

Headquarters: Soperton, GA, SE District

Position Available: February 1st, 2017

www.soperton-treutlen.org

This position is responsible for managing the Agricultural & Natural Resources program in Treutlen county by providing educational opportunities in production agriculture, horticulture, and natural resources to a wide variety of audiences utilizing a variety of teaching methods. The county is made up of 202 square miles of trees, farmland, and rural community. The top agriculture industry in the county is timber. Its annual farm gate value recently has been over \$18 million. Farms in the county are few, but large in acreage. Tended acres are covered with cotton, peanuts, tobacco, onions, corn, turf, and pasture. Through the University of Georgia Extension office, residents of the county receive much needed information on their agricultural endeavors as well as advice on homeowner issues and gardening. <http://extension.uga.edu/about/join/careers.cfm>

Qualifications: This position requires:

- Successful experience in program development and management;
- A demonstrated communication ability as well as skills in leadership and management;
- A demonstrated ability to multi-task, to work as a team member, and with groups and committees;
- The ability to design, coordinate, and teach educational programs to meet community needs; and
- A Bachelor's degree in Forestry, Crop & Soil Science, Plant Protection & Pest Management, General Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Science, Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness, Agricultural Education or closely related area (a Master's degree is strongly preferred).



Major Responsibilities:

- Utilizes the expertise of advisory groups, community leaders, public officials and representatives of intended audiences to analyze data, identify needs, and assist in developing educational programs
- Develops a plan of work that is equitable in meeting the varied socio-economic needs of the county
- Targets specific audiences for educational programs addressing critical issues identified in plan of work
- Implements the College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences' Civil Rights/Equal Opportunity plan
- Develops and conducts relevant interdisciplinary programs with other staff members based on critical issues
- Collaborates with other agencies and community groups to plan and implement programs
- Conducts promotional efforts to expand the public's view of extension programming
- Utilizes current research data and information on emerging issues in program development and teaching
- Demonstrates personal interest and involvement in community by participating in and supporting civic/community activities/organizations and networking with community leaders

This position requires frequent night meetings, some weekend work, and attendance at out-of-county meetings. A valid driver's license and a personal vehicle for official duty travel are required. See www.caes.uga.edu/intranet/coextopr/pdfs/coextagentjd.pdf for other responsibilities.

Starting Salary & Benefits: \$46,000/year for Master's Degree (Bachelor's \$34,500) in appropriate subject area as well as an excellent benefits package is available as a faculty member of the University of Georgia

Administrative Relationships: - This position serves as a UGA Public Service Faculty Member and a member of the Treutlen County Extension Staff (<http://www.caes.uga.edu/extension/treutlen/>) and is under the direction and leadership of the Treutlen County Extension Coordinator and the Southeast District Extension Director.

Application Procedures: To ensure consideration, your application must be received in UGA Human Resources' iPAWS system. Apply online at www.ugajobsearch.com/applicants/Central?quickFind=70187 (Posting Number 20162030) under "County Extension Agents". Please direct questions to: UGA Extension Southeast District Office, PO Box 8112, GSU, Statesboro, GA 30460, (912) 681-0177, sedist@uga.edu. You will be asked to provide an official transcript of the highest degree obtained and three letters of reference if selected as the final candidate.

The University of Georgia is an EEO/AA/Vet/Disability Institution. As such, we are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community. We not only strongly encourage women, minorities and other diverse candidates to consider applying for this position, but we also maintain that all candidates should share our commitment to diversity and inclusion. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status.

extension.uga.edu