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DATE: May 17th, 2016

Position Title	
Extension Specialist	
Location	Closing Date
Duncan Hall, Auburn AL	August 31, 2016
Salary	
Salary commensurate with education and training.	



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****Deadline extended until August 31, 2016****

The position is part of a team committed to working in coordination with other Alabama Cooperative Extension System personnel and the Auburn University Animal Sciences Department and Poultry Science Department faculty to lead, organize, implement, manage, market and evaluate youth (4-H) animal science programs (food and companion animal), events, and curriculum. These duties also include working with youth, parents, adult volunteers, and animal industry stakeholders.

This position is a full-time, 12-month non-tenure track Extension Specialist position with the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (Alabama A&M University and Auburn University). The position reports to the Assistant Director for 4-H Programs and will be located within the 4-H unit in Duncan Hall, on the Auburn University campus. This position includes, but is not limited to, the following responsibilities:

*Serve in a lead role to plan, develop, implement and evaluate innovative youth (4-H) animal science and youth development programs and curriculum. This includes the educational resources offered and events conducted for 4-H animal science programming.

*The position requires effective management and development of statewide processes that lead from local to regional and from regional to state animal science events.

*Develop and maintain an annual animal science program implementation calendar for field staff, 4-H youth and families to follow.

*Coordination of some regional, state and national 4-H events.

*Develop, design, deliver and evaluate volunteer and staff training needed to deliver animal science subject matter content through modern education best practices to foster positive youth development. The incumbent will be expected to work closely with animal science Regional Extension Agents and 4-H youth development staff as appropriate for the subject matter.

* Will communicate 4-H philosophy, mission and values through development and implementation of programmatic policies and procedures for the 4-H animal sciences program with both internal and external

stakeholders.

*Supports statewide 4-H Youth Development program efforts through participation in program planning and development discussions; be an active member of the Alabama 4-H program team, and participate in Department of Animal Sciences and Department of Poultry Sciences program activities when appropriate.

*Gather input in an organized manner from youth, adult volunteers, staff and other stakeholders who will serve in an informal advisory capacity to the programming efforts.

*Assess the impact of 4-H animal science programs on the life skills of 4-H youth.

*Garner external support through grants, contracts and special projects to determine appropriateness for the Alabama 4-H program.

*Work collaboratively with the 4-H programs in other states and with Alabama organizations committed to youth development.

*Other duties as assigned.

Job Specifications

Minimum Qualifications:

Earned Master's degree at the time of employment in animal science, agriculture, youth development or a closely related field. Successful candidates with a Master's will have 7 years to complete a doctorate.
Experience with one or more areas of animal science and/or youth programming;
Demonstrated experience using organizational and logistical skills, with attention to detail, to lead, organize, implement, manage, market and evaluate youth-focused educational programs related to animal science;
Demonstrated experience in teaching and positively interacting with youth and adults;
Demonstrated experience in collaborating as part of a team for a diverse audience of internal and external stakeholders; excellent interpersonal and communication skills, including oral, written, and listening skills;
Demonstrated experience effectively using technology to accomplish youth-focused educational programs related to animal science; Provide a personal professional portfolio of animal science materials for a youth audience;
Demonstrated experience working with minimal supervision, including prioritizing workloads to meet deadlines; and possess a valid driver's license.

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