

Assistant/Associate/Extension Agent (Nutrition Agent)
LSU Agricultural and A&M College

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Department	Jefferson Parish
Institution	LSU Agricultural and A&M College Jefferson, Louisiana
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Application Deadline	Jun. 10, 2022
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Core Faculty Research Scientist/Associate Assistant Professor
Academic Field(s)	Agricultural Extension Food & Nutritional Science
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Job Description

POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Description Summary

This is a 100% grant-funded, non-tenure track position located at the LSU AgCenter Jefferson parish office in Jefferson, La. Funding must be available for any continuation of appointment. The position is 80% Expanded Food and Nutrition Program (EFNEP) and 20% SNAP-Ed.

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The assistant/associate area nutrition agent will provide 80% effort as the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) agent. The employee will provide leadership to EFNEP, including the hiring, training, evaluating and the supervision of local EFNEP personnel; develop and sustain collaborative relationships with community agencies and grassroots organizations; train and support volunteers' role within the program; collect and analyze program data, create reports and communicate outcomes; manage program assets and funds and promoting EFNEP goals and objectives that meet the requirements of the NIFA EFNEP policy guidelines.

The incumbent will spend time (20%) directing efforts focusing on policy, systems, and environmental (PSE) change initiatives with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed). Additionally, the incumbent will plan, develop, deliver and evaluate policy, systems strategies to support direct nutrition education efforts by EFNEP personnel.

The agent will work on Healthy Community projects in Jefferson for both EFNEP and SNAP-Ed designed to improve the nutrition and health of all community members using a model that is being replicated across the state. The community development project will promote broad programs in health and nutrition education and physical activity opportunities in the parish. The agent will organize community-based nutrition advisory committees involving stakeholders, volunteers, community partners and health professionals to identify the most critical needs in the communities served as well as programs to address those needs. The agent will identify, recruit and maintain relations with community partners for EFNEP in conjunction with the SNAP-Ed program. Collaborations with key local individuals and organizations to develop a plan for delivering nutrition education and complimentary PSE strategies for limited-resource audiences. The incumbent will be the catalyst to educate existing and potential community and programming partners about the importance of nutrition education and complementary PSE strategies for limited-resource audiences that address nutrition, physical activity, and food security needs.

Coordination and collaboration with other LSU AgCenter Extension faculty and staff will be essential. The incumbent is expected to be computer literate and able use various types of technology such as tablets, phones, etc. as teaching tools for nutrition education training and outreach. The incumbent will support community nutrition outreach for target populations within neighborhoods and communities. The incumbent is expected to complete an annual plan of work with teaching objectives and will be responsible for reporting programmatic results to parish, regional and/or state partners as required by local or regional supervisor(s), state office personnel or state nutrition administrators. This employee must maintain an extensive record keeping system which involves evaluation of knowledge, skills, and behavior change for accountability purposes. As an extension employee, the agent must be willing to continue professional improvement to maintain professional competence as a faculty member of the LSU AgCenter. To attend and conduct programming to meet the needs of clientele, this position requires overnight travel and work on evenings and weekends. Additionally, the agent is expected to

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perform other tasks that may be as assigned by supervisor(s).

Qualification Requirements: A baccalaureate degree in community nutrition, human foods and nutrition, family and consumer sciences, dietetics or closely related field from an accredited college or university is required. A master's degree in nutrition or health promotion is preferred. Must have an undergraduate degree with an overall grade-point average of at least 2.5 (all GPA requirements based on a 4.0 system) and a 3.0 for graduate work attempted, if any, or master's degree or a current grade-point average of at least 3.0 on at least 12 hours of graduate credit. This applicant must demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills. Applicant must have knowledge of programming planning, development, implementation, and evaluation. Experience in recruiting, training, and managing volunteers, as well as experience in teaching and applying principles of leadership development to both adults and youth is also desired. Knowledge of public relations and the ability to cope with change are highly desirable characteristics. Ability to work with and through others is essential, as is the ability to function with minimal supervision. Successful candidates will exemplify a positive attitude and a passion to improve the lives of others. Supervisory experience is preferred.

Salary and Benefits: Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The LSU AgCenter has an attractive benefits package with a wide variety of benefit options. Benefits offered include retirement, multiple medical insurance options, supplemental insurances (dental, life, long-term disability, accident, vision, long-term care, etc.), Tax Saver Flexible Benefits Plan (saves tax dollars on some child care and medical expenses), university holidays (14 per year, typically includes a week off at Christmas), generous annual (vacation) and sick leave benefits, Employee Assistance Program, and possible educational leave and tuition exemption for coursework at campuses of the LSU System. Specific benefits depend on job category, percent effort and length of employment.

Conditions of Employment: A personal automobile and appropriate insurance coverage is required (travel allowance provided). Satisfactory completion of two specific graduate level extension courses (6 credit hours) is generally required in the first two years of employment. Additionally, a faculty member who does not have a related master's degree must complete an additional 9 hours of related graduate level coursework in order to be promoted to associate agent and such promotion must occur in the first seven years of employment. An exception is that additional agent experience may be substituted for nine hours of coursework, but not for the two required courses.

Application Deadline: November 30, 2021 or until a suitable candidate is identified.

Application Procedure: Must apply online at <https://lsu.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LSU> (or through Workday for internal applicants) by attaching resume, cover letter, university transcripts, and two letters of recommendation. Paper, faxed, or e-mailed application materials will not be accepted, except that in lieu of attaching recommendation letters online, they may be sent directly to:



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