



Visiting Extension Outreach Associate Family and Consumer Science

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Position Overview

The Visiting Extension Outreach Associate, Family and Consumer Science serves as a regular, full time, 12 month academic professional with primary responsibility for planning, developing, and implementing digital nutrition education content, curriculum, instructional materials, and other resources for University of Illinois Extension's nutrition education programs. This position is a member of the Family and Consumer Science statewide team and supports the creation of instructional materials for statewide programming.

Two full-time positions are available.

Location: Urbana-Champaign Campus / Remote work arrangements may be considered

(Positions will be housed at the Urbana-Champaign Campus or remote work arrangements will be established)

Program/Curriculum Development and Instruction

- Plan, develop, and implement digital nutrition education content, curriculum, and materials. Content must be culturally relevant and address the learning needs of target populations.
- Contribute to background research to support the development of nutrition educational materials and curriculum development as part of the Family and Consumer Sciences digital nutrition education team.
- Collaborate with team members to ensure successful execution of digital education deliverables.
- Work with internal and external creative staff, such as videographers, graphic designers, and web developers pertaining to digital education and production of instructional materials.

Application Due

December 9, 2021

Proposed Start Date

As soon as possible after the closing date

Salary

Commensurate with experience and qualifications

To Apply

Go To: <http://go.illinois.edu/155652>

Log in to your account and upload a cover letter and resume, as well as the names and contact information of three professional references

More Information

The position is a temporary, full-time, benefits eligible, non-tenure academic professional position appointed on a 12-month service basis. The position may become non-visiting at a later time dependent upon funding and/or programmatic needs. Generous vacation and sick leave. State Universities Retirement System. Group health, dental, vision and life insurance.

This is a security-sensitive position. Comprehensive background checks, including but not limited to a criminal conviction information check, and a review of the Registered Sex Offender list, will be conducted.

Research and Evaluation

- Be an active member within a professional society(s) to keep abreast of changes within your discipline. Continually seek professional development opportunities to enhance competency in subject matter areas.
- Use research and evaluation findings to create innovative materials and make changes to existing nutrition education offerings in order to improve quality.
- Share principles of evidence-based best practice with peers.

Organizational Requirements

- Comply with all University of Illinois Extension Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity policies and guidelines in all aspects of Extension work; assist unit staff with data collection for Affirmative Action, Gender, and Targeted reports as needed.
- Comply with all reporting deadlines and requirements (e.g. plans-of-work, activity and impact reporting, etc.).
- Perform other duties that contribute to the mission of University of Illinois Extension programming, as assigned.
- Local, regional, statewide, and (limited) interstate travel required.

Other Information

- To perform the functions of this position, the employee will be required to perform work both within an office and outside in the communities that are served, and must have the capability to travel from one location to the other in a timely fashion. Employee is responsible for securing personal transportation. A valid driver's license is preferred. Some work will be required during evenings and/or weekends. When working, the employee may be exposed to a variety of environmental factors to include, but not limited to, hot or cold weather, exposure to noise and allergens, and uneven ground. In performing the functions of this position, the employee may be subjected to various mental and physical demands as well to include, but not limited to, independently traveling to and performing work at different locations, lifting and moving items that may occasionally weigh up to forty (40) pounds and frequently weigh up to twenty (20) pounds, and twisting, pushing and pulling movements. More detailed information regarding the functions of this position (including the physical, mental and environmental requirements of the position) may be obtained from Human Resources for the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES) by contacting hr@aces.illinois.edu.

Administrative Relationship: The Visiting Extension Outreach Associate, Family and Consumer Science is administratively and programmatically responsible to the Senior Manager, Digital Nutrition Education, Family and Consumer Science.

Qualifications

Required:

- Master's degree in nutrition, dietetics, public health, family and consumer sciences, or a related field. Candidates with a master's degree in progress may be considered for interviews, but degree must be completed by hire date
- At least 2 years of relevant experience
- Experience with developing nutrition education materials
- Experience working with diverse populations in a community setting

Preferred:

- Experience working with external vendors, such as videographers, graphic designers, and web developers
- Experience with digital education technology platforms and digital editing software
- Registered dietitian or registered dietitian nutritionist
- Familiarity with Dietary Guidelines for Americans or Child Nutrition Programs

The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer. Convictions are not a bar to employment. The University of Illinois System requires candidates selected for hire to disclose any documented finding of sexual misconduct or sexual harassment and to authorize inquiries to current and former employers regarding findings of sexual misconduct or sexual harassment. For more information, visit [Policy on Consideration of Sexual Misconduct in Prior Employment](#). The University of Illinois must also comply with applicable federal export control laws and regulations and, as such, reserves the right to employ restricted party screening procedures for applicants.

As a qualifying federal contractor, the University of Illinois System uses [E-Verify](#) to verify [employment eligibility](#).

The University of Illinois is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer that recruits and hires qualified candidates without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, national origin, disability or veteran status. For more information, visit <http://go.illinois.edu/EEO>.

University of Illinois faculty, staff and students are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. This employment offer is contingent on your timely submission of proof of your vaccination. If you are not able to receive the vaccine for medical or religious reasons, you may seek approval for an exemption in accordance with applicable University processes.

- Experience with preparing written materials for varying literacy levels

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- Strong oral and written communication skills. Evidence of strong interpersonal skills. Ability to work independently and within a team environment. Understanding of land-grant University Extension and demonstrated ability to work effectively within Extension system is preferred. Project management skills preferred.

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For further information about the position please contact search chair Jenna Smith at jsmith6@illinois.edu. For technical assistance with the online application process, please email jobs@illinois.edu.

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