

EXTENSION PROFESSIONALS' CREED

I **believe** in people and their hopes, their aspirations, and their faith; in their right to make their own plans and arrive at their own decisions; in their ability and power to enlarge their lives and plan for the happiness of those they love.

I **believe** that education, of which Extension is an essential part, is basic in stimulating individual initiative, self-determination, and leadership; that these are the keys to democracy and that people when given facts they understand, will act not only in their self-interest, but also in the interest of society.

I **believe** that education is a lifelong process and the greatest university is the home; that my success as a teacher is proportional to those qualities of mind and spirit that give me welcome entrance to the homes of the families I serve.

I **believe** in intellectual freedom to search for and present the truth without bias and with courteous tolerance toward the views of others.

I **believe** that Extension is a link between the people and the ever-changing discoveries in the laboratories.

I **believe** in the public institutions of which I am a part.

I **believe** in my own work and in the opportunity I have to make my life useful to humanity.

Because I believe these things, **I am an Extension professional.**