



Position Announcement: #2392

County Extension Agent – Agriculture & Natural Resources

Headquarters: Quitman, GA, SW District
Position Available: 10/1/2014

County: Brooks (<http://www.exploregeorgia.org/city/quitman>)
<http://extension.uga.edu/about/join/careers.cfm>

Brooks County is heavily dependent upon agriculture for its economic vitality and has a Total Farm Gate Value of over \$174 million with vegetables alone accounting for over \$26 million. It is strong in the traditional row crops like cotton, peanuts, and small grains and is also quite diversified with a vegetable production base, peaches, forages, and dairy production. The county ranks in the top ten in Georgia in the production of cotton, silage, soybeans, strawberries, peppers, cucumbers, eggplant, greens, and snap beans.

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 and work as a team member and with groups;
- A demonstrated ability 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
- A Bachelor's degree in Crop & Soil Science, Plant Protection & Pest Management, Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Science, Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness, Agricultural Education, or closely related area (a Master's degree is preferred).

Major Responsibilities:

- This position is responsible for managing the agricultural and natural resources program in Brooks County by providing educational programs in production agriculture, pesticide, wildlife, and related areas.
- 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 CAES Civil Rights/Equal Opportunity plan and ensures that clientele understand that UGA Extension offers its educational programs, assistance, and materials to all people without regard to race, sex, gender identity, color, ethnicity or national origin, religion, age, disability, genetic information, sexual orientation, or veteran status
- 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
- See www.caes.uga.edu/intranet/coextopr/pdfs/coextagentjd.pdf for a listing of other responsibilities.
- This position requires frequent night meetings, some weekend work, and attendance at out-of-county meetings. A valid driver's license is required.



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

Starting Salary & Benefits: \$40,400/year with a Master's Degree (Bachelor's \$34,500 minimum) in appropriate subject area as well as an excellent benefits package is available as a faculty member of the University of Georgia.

Application Procedures: To ensure consideration, your application must be received in UGA Human Resources' iPAWS system by **July 27th, 2014**. Apply online at www.ugajobsearch.com/applicants/Central?quickFind=64247 (Posting Number 20141031) under "Staff" or "County Extension Agents". Mail original transcripts and direct any questions to: UGA CAES Business Office, 215 Conner Hall, Athens, GA 30602, (706) 542-2373, caesohr@uga.edu

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