



Cooperative Extension

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE &
NATURAL RESOURCES

STATE-WIDE EXTENSION AGENT /EXTENSION SPECIALIST IN ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND MANAGEMENT (UD LEVEL 14)

Appointment: This is a non-tenure track Extension Agent/Extension Specialist position 100% Extension in an area related to Environmental Quality and Management.

Position Description: The Agriculture Industry has always been and continues to be one of the most important economic entities within the state of Delaware. The poultry industry, grain crops and commercial vegetable production, and the nursery industry provide a diverse agricultural industry. Maintaining the economic viability while minimizing the environmental impact of the agriculture industry is a constant challenge, and the successful candidate for this position will be an important resource for helping Delaware citizens and businesses deal with this challenge. The College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Delaware invites applications for an Extension Agent/Specialist position focusing on state-wide environmental quality and management issues. In this position, the candidate will be expected to collaborate with colleagues working in the area of agriculture and environmental science at the state and regional levels. This position is expected to seek supplemental support for their program, particularly as part of collaborative efforts. The candidate will be expected to provide dynamic educational programming for a range of audiences in the state, including federal, state, and local governmental agencies, non-profit organizations and foundations, and the ag-industry including individual producers. UD Extension has several ongoing extension programs that include: the Mid-Atlantic Crop Management School, Delaware Ag Week, the Delaware Horticulture Expo, Nutrient Management Certification, and regional conferences related to environmental management; and the successful candidate will be expected to contribute to these activities. The University of Delaware has extensive expertise and potential project collaborators in the area of environmental science and management.

Qualifications: The candidate must have a Bachelor's degree plus 4 years experience (Graduate degree preferred) with expertise in a discipline related to environmental management and an understanding of agriculture. Research experience is highly desirable. Potential areas of expertise include: nutrient management, water quality, air quality, pesticide management, waste management, or fate and transport of environmental contaminants. Candidates with either Extension or industry experience are encouraged to apply. Excellent oral, written, and interpersonal skills are essential. Interest and ability to work collaboratively are important.

Salary: Commensurate with experience and training. The University of Delaware provides an excellent employee benefit package including health and dental insurance, retirement contributions, pre-tax flexible spending accounts, and complete tuition remission for family members.

Facilities: The University of Delaware's main campus is located in Newark, DE. The University has a Research and Education Center near Georgetown, DE (<http://www.rec.udel.edu>), and Extension offices in Newark and Dover. Additional information related to the Cooperative Extension and Environmental Sciences at the University of Delaware can be found at the following web sites: <http://ag.udel.edu>

Application Dates: Application deadline is December 1, 2011 or until a suitable candidate is identified. The position is available as early as March 1, 2012.

Application Process: Interested persons should submit: (i) a letter of application, (ii) resume, (iii) statement of Extension interests (two pages maximum), and (iv) names, email, postal address, and telephone numbers of four references. Complete applications should be assembled into a single PDF document and uploaded into the online application system (<http://www.udel.edu/udjobs/>, select Staff under Apply Now). Questions regarding the search can be sent to Dr. Mark VanGessel, Search Committee Chair: mjv@udel.edu.

Employment offers will be conditioned upon successful completion of a criminal background check. A conviction will not necessarily exclude you from employment.

The University of Delaware is an Equal Opportunity Employer which encourages applications from Minority Group Members and Women. The University's Notice of Non-Discrimination can be found at <http://www.udel.edu/aboutus/legalnotices.html>

Please note this announcement is for one of two positions currently open with UD Extension:

Assistant/Associate Professor For Nutrient Management And Environmental Quality:
<http://www.udel.edu/001079>

Extension Agent/Specialist for Environmental Quality and Management:
<http://www.udel.edu/001080>