

Qualifications

A master's degree with at least one degree in an agriculturally related discipline, Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, or in an area related to Extension education.

Seven or more years of successful progressively responsible professional work experience with a minimum of five years of Cooperative Extension work.

Prior successful work experiences utilizing personnel and fiscal management skills, and supervision is required. Leadership roles and interaction with governmental and public agency officials is desirable.

Excellent oral and written communication skills.

Visionary team leadership skills are essential.

Willingness to work within a flexible time frame which may include evenings and weekends, with occasional overnight travel. Be willing to travel throughout the district, state, and occasionally out of state.

Demonstrated organizational development and management skills; knowledge of and the ability to utilize electronic communications and computer technology skills for communication and program management.

The person selected for this position is expected to establish and maintain residence in the Southwest district.

Employment Conditions

This is a full-time (12-month) appointment. Salary commensurate with education and experience. The incumbent is administratively accountable to the Vice President, Dean,

and Director, Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, through the Associate Director of the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service.

Application Procedure

Nominations should include the name, address, telephone number, and electronic mail address of the nominee.

Individuals should submit a letter of application that includes qualifications, previous professional responsibilities, achievements, administrative philosophy and leadership style, and a description of how these items relate to the district director's position.

Applicants should provide the name, address, telephone number, and electronic mail address of five references the committee may contact for additional information. References should be knowledgeable about qualities that make the applicant well-suited for the responsibilities described in the announcement.

Formal review of applications will begin **August 10, 2012**, and continue until a suitable applicant is identified and hired.

Submit nominations and/or applications electronically to:

ocesdistdir_search@okstate.edu.

Questions may be addressed to Dr. Daniel Thomas, Chair Southwest District Extension Director Search and Screen Committee, 405-744-5431, or daniel.thomas@okstate.edu.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service is to disseminate information to the people of Oklahoma and encourage the adoption of research-generated knowledge relating to agriculture, family and consumer sciences, rural development, and 4-H youth development.

Information about the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources may be accessed on the internet at: www.dasnr.okstate.edu Information about Cooperative Extension professional positions may be accessed on the internet at: <http://hr.dasnr.okstate.edu/OCES-careers>

Equal Employment Opportunity: Applicants will be considered without discrimination for any non-merit reason such as race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, disability, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran.

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