

Position Title - Junior/Assistant Extension Agent

Description

- Floriculture and Nursery Industries
- Department of Plant and Environmental Protection Sciences
- University of Hawaii at Manoa
- 11-month tenure-track
- **Begin May 2017 or soon thereafter**
- Review of Applications will begin March 10
- <http://workatuh.hawaii.edu/Jobs/NAadvert/24453/4246247/1/postdate/desc>

Duties and Responsibilities

1. Provide overall leadership in developing, coordinating, and conducting a sound educational program for the floriculture, nursery and related industries primarily on the Island of Hawaii.
2. Address some statewide problems working with industry organizations and individuals on the outer islands, in addition to those on the Island of Hawaii.
3. Develop a harmonious working relationship with extension agents, specialists, and researchers and work as a multidisciplinary team to solve industry and individual grower problems.
4. Build and foster close partnerships with stakeholder organizations and government agencies providing leadership and being a catalyst for change.
5. Serve as advisor to floriculture and nursery organizations.
6. Utilize proven extension educational methods, evaluate impacts, and strive to improve on stakeholder learning and adoption.
7. Provide information using various means of information and technology transfer including farm visits, workshops, conferences, field days, demonstrations, videos, social media, webpages, etc.
8. Seek and obtain external funding to support implementation of educational programs.
9. Conduct scholarly activities on the county, state, and national levels.
10. Participate in department, college, and university service and governance.
11. Work with stakeholders involves meetings that occur after normal working hours and/or on weekends at offsite locations.

To apply: Submit the following to the address listed below

1. Cover letter addressing the qualifications;
2. Curriculum vitae, and
3. the names and contact information for three references;
4. Official transcripts (copies accepted, however official transcripts will be required upon hire).

By mail to: Dr. Helen Spafford, Chair, Department of Plant and Environmental Protection Sciences, College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, 3050 Maile Way, Gilmore Hall 310, Honolulu, HI 96822

Or by email to: helen.spafford@hawaii.edu

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Requirements

Position Title - Junior Extension Agent Minimum qualifications

1. Bachelor's degree from a college or university of recognized standing, with major work in horticulture/floriculture/nursery or related fields such as entomology, plant pathology, plant physiology, or a closely related field.
2. Ability to apply extension teaching methods.
3. Ability to travel independently to various geographical locations in a timely manner. Requirement may be fulfilled by a valid Hawai'i Driver's License (class 3), comparable driver's license, or other.

Position Title - Assistant Extension Agent Minimum qualifications

1. Master's degree from a college or university of recognized standing, with major work in horticulture/floriculture/nursery or related fields such as entomology, plant pathology, plant physiology, or a closely related field, or, in addition to the Bachelor's degree, 30 credit hours of Postbaccalaureate academic work in a field appropriate to the position.
2. At least three years of successful experience in Cooperative Extension work or equivalent in a closely related field.
3. Ability to exercise independent judgment and to assume responsibility for developing an Extension program.
4. Ability to work harmoniously with other agents in an integrated Extension system, and with related agencies.
5. Ability to travel independently to various geographical locations in a timely manner. Requirement may be fulfilled by a valid Hawai'i Driver's License (class 3), comparable driver's license, or other means of transportation which meets position needs.

Desirable qualifications

1. Proven ability to work effectively with organizations and government agencies.
2. Effective verbal and written communication skills.
3. Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively using traditional and modern educational methods and tools.
4. Ability to use electronic technology (e.g., computers, word processing, database management, desktop publishing, web meetings, social networking platforms, etc.).

Job Information

- **Location:** Hilo, Hawaii, United States
- **Company Name:** University of Hawaii at Manoa
- **Job Function:** Nursery
- **Job Type:** Full-Time
- **Job Duration:** Indefinite
- **Min Education:** BA/BS/Undergraduate