POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

POSITION X1425  Assistant /Associate Professor, Community Health, Family and Consumer Sciences Department. Tenure-Track Position

LOCATION  The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee

EFFECTIVE DATE  January 1, 2015. Screening of applicants’ credentials will begin October 1, 2014 and continue until the position is filled.

SALARY AND BENEFITS
Salary is commensurate with training and experience. Benefits include group hospitalization and life insurance; State Employees Retirement; Workers’ compensation; study, sick and annual leave; numerous University of Tennessee and state benefit programs, including liberal time off for holidays and longevity pay after three years of service; reimbursement provided for official travel.

JOB DESCRIPTION
• Plan, develop and implement research-based adult and youth Extension programs in community health to include, but not limited to, a community health education program integrated with nutrition and environmental systems, health literacy, chronic disease prevention and management, positive youth development for health, and health policy issues education.
• Provide interpretation and application of current research, emerging issues and legislation related to the above topics, and use research and current trends to set program direction.
• Develop networks and coalitions with state, regional and national groups serving the same clientele and keep the program leadership team and county faculty aware of the networks and their resources.
• Evaluate the need for, develop and revise electronic and print media, curricula, lesson plans, brochures, fact sheets and other educational materials for dissemination by county staff to targeted clientele.
• Evaluate the effectiveness and impact of state-wide programs in the above program areas; report to the appropriate state and national agencies and to program stakeholders.
• Provide leadership and technical guidance to county Extension agents/educators in the area of community health by phone, email, on-line training and in-service training. Technical guidance includes interpreting current research findings, needs assessments, educational strategies, evaluation methods, data collection, data interpretation, coalition building, and staff development and mentoring.
• Collaborate with the University of Tennessee Department of Public Health and Tennessee State University.
• Develop and maintain expertise in community health by publishing peer-reviewed journal articles/Extension publications, attending and presenting at professional meetings and by belonging to relevant professional organizations.
• Seek internal and external resources to support and enhance programs.
• Provide service and leadership to activities within the department, the university and professional organizations as appropriate.
• Provide leadership for a program of activities that meets the needs of all eligible clientele regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion or veteran status.

QUALIFICATIONS
• Earned doctorate in Community Health, Public Health, Family and Consumer Sciences, Human Sciences or closely related field
• Strong interpersonal skills and ability to interact effectively with diverse groups
• Demonstrated ability to develop and implement curricula appropriate for youth and adult audiences
• Excellent written and oral communication skills
• Evidence of scholarship through scientific presentations and publications
• Training or experience in needs assessment and evaluation

APPLICATIONS and INQUIRIES
The application should include a letter addressing the required and desired qualifications stated in the position announcement; a curriculum vitae; and the names and contact information of three references; and copy of transcripts showing degree(s) conferred. Applications should be emailed to Jo Carlson, Family and Consumer Sciences, @ jcarls11@utk.edu or mailed to 121 Morgan Hall, 2621 Morgan Circle, Knoxville, TN 37996. Inquiries regarding the position should be directed to the chair of the search committee: Martha Keel at (865) 974-8197, or mkeel@utk.edu.

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