Community Nutrition and Health Advisor
Applied Research and Extension
Serving Shasta Trinity and Tehama Counties, California

Position Overview

The University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR), a statewide program with local development and delivery, is seeking the following UC Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Advisor.

Location Headquarters. Shasta County, Redding, CA

Purpose. The Community Nutrition and Health Advisor will implement an innovative extension education and applied research program to build healthy communities and engage community members in solving local nutrition and health needs.

The Advisor will play a critical role in working with agencies and organizations to support policy, systems, and environmental changes that promote health and support long-term sustainability of community health. Potential research and extension areas include chronic disease prevention, nutrition security, food literacy, healthy living, consumer education, financial literacy and social determinants of health. Example interventions to address issues related to food systems, food security, and/or built environment might include community gardens, school/worksite health and wellness policies, and farm-to-school programming.

The advisor will also serve as the Principal Investigator and provide academic oversight of the CalFresh Healthy Living program in Shasta, Tehama, and Trinity Counties. The advisor would also provide academic and appropriate extension support for the UC Master Food Preserver and/or California EFNEP programs.

This is an exciting opportunity to build extension and research partnerships with local non-profit organizations, agencies, community organizations, local farmers, farmers’ markets, and local businesses to address food access, and food insecurity to support healthy eating and active living. Engagement with UC ANR's Master Gardener and 4-H youth programs offer additional linkages and outlets to the communities.

The advisor joins a team of highly motivated UCCE colleagues who are passionate about their work and are dedicated to making a difference within the communities and throughout California. The potential for collaborative projects within the UC ANR system is nearly limitless.

Counties of Responsibility. This position will be headquartered in the UC ANR Shasta office, CA, and also have programmatic activity in Tehama, and Trinity Counties as well as some statewide collaborations, influence and impact.
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**Reporting Relationship:** The CE Advisor serves under the administrative guidance of the University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Shasta County Director with input from the other relevant county Directors.

**Qualifications and Skills Required**

**Required Qualifications**

**Education:** A minimum of a Master’s degree in Nutrition, Health Education, Human Development, or closely related discipline is required at the time of appointment.

**Additional Requirements**

- Valid driver’s license.
- Expectation to be available to work onsite on any day.
- A solid understanding of human nutrition.
- Academic training or professional experience in program design and research methodologies.
- Experience and/or expertise in whole child health (physical, social-emotional) and/or social determinants of health (including healthcare, transportation, built environment, workforce development, public safety, nutrition security, climate health, etc.).
- A background investigation will be required for the successful candidate, including fingerprinting and a criminal history clearance by the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This position is subject to the requirements and compliance of California’s Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA). Employment within UC ANR is contingent upon securing written acknowledgment to comply with California law.

**Desired Experience**

- Experience in methods of statistical analysis, and experience participating in interdisciplinary research is highly desirable
- Experience and/or expertise in applying equity-driven values and approaches in racially and culturally diverse communities; understanding and experience with practices of inclusion.
- Passion and desire to pursue a career in Cooperative Extension
- Experience in building partnerships and with multidisciplinary teams
- Demonstrated ability to effectively plan projects, manage teams and implement an applied research and outreach program, including setting measurable goals and objectives

**Skills Required**

To be successful, the CE Advisor requires skills in the following area:

**Technical Competence and Impact**

The candidate should have a deep understanding of waste management and alternate end markets and be able to design and implement a program that leads to positive changes and impact within the community and beyond. There is an expectation that advisors evolve and grow across their career and respond to changes in the industry and by clientele.
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**Communication**

Demonstrated excellence in written, oral, and interpersonal and information technology communication skills. Public speaking to stakeholders is a routine part of this position.

Demonstrated ability to share complex information in a manner tailored to the audience.

**Collaboration, Teamwork and Flexibility**

Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively as a team member with industry and other stakeholders. Able to adapt as circumstances warranted.

Aware and willing to actively promote diversity, equity, and inclusion.

**Lifelong Learning**

Demonstrated commitment to ongoing self-improvement - both professionally and as a person. Ability to shift program focus as times and organizational needs change.

**Learn more about Skills and Areas of Programmatic Review** (including Professional Competence, University and Public Service and Affirmative Action and DEI) at: [https://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/files/319460.pdf](https://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/files/319460.pdf)

**About UC ANR**

The University of California, Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) consists of a network of scientists and educators working in partnership across California. We are committed to developing and supporting practical, science-based solutions that contribute to healthy food systems, healthy environments, healthy communities, and healthy Californians. UC ANR administers UC Cooperative Extension (UCCE), which is responsible for program development and delivery in the counties throughout the state of California.

**Learn more about**

- UC ANR at [https://UCANR.edu](https://UCANR.edu)
- UC ANR in counties: [https://ucanr.edu/sites/ucanr/County_Offices/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/ucanr/County_Offices/)
- Our Strategic Initiatives [http://ucanr.edu/sites/StrategicInitiatives/](http://ucanr.edu/sites/StrategicInitiatives/)
- Our Public Value statements at [https://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/Divisionwide_Planning/UC_ANR_Public_Values/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/Divisionwide_Planning/UC_ANR_Public_Values/)
- DEI: Further to the above, advisors are expected to share and exhibit UC ANR's commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion [https://ucanr.edu/sites/Professional_Development/Office_-_Team_Management/Diversity_Equity_Inclusion_Belonging/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/Professional_Development/Office_-_Team_Management/Diversity_Equity_Inclusion_Belonging/)
- Affirmative: Further to the above, advisors are expected to share and exhibit UC ANR's commitment to affirmative action. Learn more of UC ANR Affirmative Action policy: [http://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/Diversity/Affirmative_Action/](http://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/Diversity/Affirmative_Action/)
- The University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources is committed to attracting and retaining a diverse workforce and will honor your experiences, perspectives and unique identity. We encourage applications from members of historically underrepresented racial/ethnic groups, women, individuals with disabilities, veterans, LGBTQ+ community members, and others who demonstrate the ability to help us create and maintain working and learning environments that are inclusive, equitable and welcoming.
Salary & Benefits

Salary: The beginning salary will be in the Cooperative Extension Assistant Advisor Rank and commensurate with applicable experience and professional qualifications. For information regarding Cooperative Extension Advisor salary scales, please refer to the University of California website: https://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/files/358478.pdf. If the successful candidate is currently a UCCE Advisor, the candidate will be offered the position without change to the candidate’s current rank, step, salary and/or appointment terms; and if applicable, is eligible to retain indefinite status.

This position is eligible for indefinite status following three successful reviews and subject to terms noted in UC ANR Policy and Procedure Manual, Section 315 https://ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/files/118501.pdf.

Benefits: The University of California offers comprehensive benefits including health insurance, retirement plans, two days per month paid vacation, one day per month paid sick leave, and approximately thirteen paid holidays per year. For more information, refer to the UC Benefits website at: https://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/compensation-and-benefits/index.html

How to Apply

If interested in this position, please visit: https://recruit.ucanr.edu/ and choose “applicants” (refer to position #22-11)

Closing Date: To assure full consideration, application packets must be received by June 30, 2022 – (open until filled)

Questions?

Contact Tatiana Avoce email: tavoce@ucanr.edu

Applicants may wish to explore the UC Davis Services for International Students and Scholars web page at https://siss.ucdavis.edu/ as a resource.

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As a condition of employment, you will be required to comply with the University of California SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccination Program Policy. All Covered Individuals under the policy must provide proof of Full Vaccination or, if applicable, submit a request for Exception (based on Medical Exemption, Disability, and/or Religious Objection) or Deferral (based on pregnancy) no later than the applicable deadline. New University of California employees should refer to Appendix F, Section II.C. of the policy for applicable deadlines. (Capitalized terms in this paragraph are defined in the policy.) Federal, state, or local public health directives may impose additional requirements.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, age, protected veteran status or other protected categories covered by the UC nondiscrimination policy.

As of January 1, 2014, ANR is a smoke- and tobacco-free environment in which smoking, the use of smokeless tobacco products, and the use of unregulated nicotine products (e-cigarettes), is strictly prohibited.