POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
Department of Applied Economics
Utah State University
Logan, Utah

POSITION: Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist, Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness.
This is a nine-month tenure-track position with a 65:30:5 division of effort between extension, teaching, and service, starting August 1, 2016. The extension role also carries with it an expectation of applied research. There are opportunities, primarily through successful grant writing, to augment salary beyond the nine-month base salary.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The successful candidate will develop a nationally recognized extension and applied research program in agricultural economics/agribusiness management that is complementary to on-going departmental extension and applied research programs. Extension and applied research areas of emphasis may include, but are not limited to production economics, risk management, farm policy including insurance, farm/ranch management, commodity marketing, and price analysis. Research areas related to agricultural issues in Utah and the surrounding region are preferred. The candidate will be expected to seek external funding to support his or her extension and applied research program and to seek disciplinary and interdisciplinary collaborative opportunities with other faculty. The successful candidate will be expected to teach courses at both undergraduate and graduate levels, as well as serve on graduate student Master's and PhD supervisory committees.

QUALIFICATIONS: A Ph.D. in agricultural economics, economics, or closely related field with expertise in a specialized field within agricultural economics must be completed before beginning employment. Evidence of excellent oral and written communication skills to effectively communicate with extension clientele and with students are required. Previous grant writing success is preferred.

SALARY/BENEFITS: Salary will be competitive and commensurate with experience. A fully competitive benefits package includes a choice of retirement programs, paid leave, as well as life, medical, dental, and disability insurance.

APPLICATION: Please submit a letter of application, curriculum vita, graduate transcripts, sample extension or applied research paper, and three letters of reference to the USU Human Resources Website (https://usu.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=948&job=assistant-professor-and-extension-specialist). Inquiries should be made to Ryan Bosworth (435-797-0594), (ryan.bosworth@usu.edu). Formal review of applications will begin on December 4, 2015 and will continue until a suitable candidate is hired. AA/EOE

Utah State University (USU) is a land-grant university founded in 1888. The university is a Carnegie Doctoral Extensive research institution with approximately 23,000 students (19,000 undergraduates and 4,000 graduate students) from all 50 states and 80 foreign countries. The Department of Applied Economics supports Bachelor’s, Master’s, and PhD. programs in applied economics, agribusiness, and natural resource & environmental economics. The College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences, the Utah Agricultural Experiment Station, Utah Cooperative Extension Service, and extramural grants and contracts support the department's extension and research programs. The department provides extension support throughout Utah and into adjacent states in the areas of agribusiness and agricultural economics, environmental and resource economics, and community economic development.

The USU campus is in Logan, Utah. Logan is located in a picturesque mountain valley, with a population of over 90,000, and about 80 miles north of Salt Lake City. Outstanding recreational opportunities abound in the nearby mountains and proximate region. Additional information about Utah State University and the Applied Economics department and faculty can be found at the University website (www.usu.edu).

Utah State University is committed to enhancing multicultural and gender diversity and is sensitive to the needs of dual-career couples. It is an AA/EO employer and encourages applications from minorities, women, people with disabilities, and veterans. The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 requires that work eligibility be documented for all new employees. Please be prepared to verify eligibility for employment if hired at the University.