POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Assistant Professor in Agricultural Economics

WORK LOCATION: Southern University Agricultural Research & Extension Center (SUAREC)

POSITION DESCRIPTION: This is a 12-month, 100% research appointment. The successful candidate will be required to develop a nationally recognized research program in production/resource economics and agricultural management in conjunction with on-going multidisciplinary animals and livestock research aimed at increasing the profitability of small-scale farmers/land-holders. Areas of emphasis may include: economic analyses for goats and cattle grazing on the same land mass; economic analysis of markets structures/channels; economic analysis of renewable and/or non-renewable resources, etc. The applicant will use the research results to inform, influence, and improve the business decisions of Louisiana clientele and agricultural organizations. From time to time, the successful candidate may be asked to teach courses in agricultural management and production economics at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Therefore, engagement with undergraduate and graduate students is a high priority. Many opportunities exist to collaborate with both research and extension colleagues in developing applied research. The candidate also will be expected to obtain external funding to support his or her research program, and to seek disciplinary and interdisciplinary collaborative opportunities with other faculty. The candidate will also perform other duties assigned by SUAREC as appropriate and participate in state, regional, and national professional societies.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENT: A Ph.D. in agricultural economics or in a closely related field must be completed before beginning employment. Applicants must have strong training in management, finance, economics, and quantitative methods. Strong theoretical, econometric and/or numerical modeling skills and evidence of excellent oral and written communication skills are required. A background in agriculture and rural communities is desirable. Good interpersonal skills and ability to work effectively in a team environment and minority communities are essential. Applicant must be proficient in the use of electronic technologies and computer software for data collection, statistical analyses, preparation of reports, and presentations.

SALARY AND BENEFITS: Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. SUAREC has an attractive benefit package with a wide variety of options such as retirement, medical insurance and dental and annual and sick leave benefits. Specific benefits depend on job category, percent effort, and length of employment.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 15, 2013 or until a suitable candidate is identified.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Send a letter of application with a statement of professional interest and goals, resume, official university transcripts, and three letters of recommendation to:

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