

**MSU EXTENSION  
AGRICULTURE AND  
AGRIBUSINESS INSTITUTE****Position Information****Position Title**

Extension Specialist

**Salary**

Commensurate with education and experience

**Benefits**Comprehensive benefits package:  
<https://www.hr.msu.edu/benefits/index.html>**Location**

East Lansing, MI

**To Apply****Current MSU Employees:**

Access the EBS portal. Under the My Career and Training section, select the Careers @ MSU tile to view Internal Job Postings.

**External Applicants:**Visit <http://careers.msu.edu>**Posting Number:**

793218

**Application Deadline:**

8/8/2022

**Contact for Questions**[msue.hr@msu.edu](mailto:msue.hr@msu.edu)**Associate Institute Director- Agriculture & Agribusiness****Position Overview**

As part of MSU Extension (MSUE) and the Agriculture and Agribusiness Institute (AABI), this position provides statewide leadership and support of agriculture and agribusiness programs, serves on the MSUE Leadership Team, and leads institute priorities to improve the success of the institute's Extension programs within Michigan.

Michigan is the second-most agriculturally diverse state within the United States. In this position you will work with Extension Educators and Specialists along with faculty to ascertain the emergent needs of agricultural communities. You will also work with AABI staff to address needs through cutting edge program delivery using a broad array of communication technology that matches the capacity of stakeholders to access information. Furthermore, you will work with staff to ascertain impact of programmatic efforts and will support their efforts to improve access of AABI resources to the broad demographic that constitutes Michigan agriculture.

In collaboration with the AABI Director, you will provide support for AABI staff and program management, such as staff hiring and mentoring, work team support, identification of needs and trends, internal and external communications, and partnership building with both internal and external partners. Work will be done in collaboration with MSUE District Directors, work teams, MSU faculty, external partners, and the AABI Director.

The position will be based on the Michigan State University campus in East Lansing, MI. Consideration will be given for the successful candidate to periodically work at an alternative location, within Michigan.

**Qualifications****Minimum Qualifications** (see full description for complete list of requirements)

- Master's degree in an agriculture related discipline or related field.
- Minimum of 5 years of experience in Extension or similar organization with an emphasis on agriculture or agribusiness related programming.

**Desired Qualifications**

- Ph.D. in an agriculture discipline or closely related field.
- Ten (10) years of experience in Extension or similar organization with an emphasis on agriculture or agribusiness related programming.

**Application Process**

View full description and apply through the [MSU careers](#) page. **Search for posting 793218 using the Job Search field.**

**Application Deadline: August 8, 2022.**

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