



Assistant Professor of Practice: Community Development

The Assistant Professor of Practice in Community Development is a 12-month, 100% teaching, non-tenure position that will contribute to the integrated (extension, research, and teaching) land-grant mission of the home unit and the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR), as an effective scholar and citizen, including supporting student recruitment and IANR science literacy efforts.

This position will be responsible for working with a consortium of faculty from other universities to administer the Great Plains Interactive Distance Education Alliance (IDEA) Community Development Program. As part of the program, will teach CDEV 814—Community and Regional Economic Analysis, an online course, including develop course materials, deliver, and grade. Will review graduate student applications for admission to UNL Great Plains IDEA Community Development program, advise students in the selection of their curriculum, and serve as the graduate advisor for their MS research requirements. The incumbent also will be responsible for teaching AECN 376, Rural Community Economics, 3 credit hours. The incumbent will be expected to average 1.0 FTE as determined by the CASNR Academic Appointment Guidelines. Specific course assignments may be changed over time based on department need.

The incumbent will partner with Nebraska Extension and University faculty to create a Rural Community Development Certificate program that can be taken for credit or noncredit. The goal of the Certificate program is to enhance citizenry decision-making capacity based on economic and social concepts relevant to rural communities, including the value of multicultural and diverse citizen participation and engagement in community government and policy development. Will also cooperate with other faculty and staff to develop and implement grant proposals that support rural community resiliency and growth, including leadership decision-making capacity.

In addition to the above-described duties, the incumbent will be expected to accept committee assignments, reporting responsibilities, and other special ad hoc assignments as requested at the administrative unit, college/division, institute, and or university level.

Required Qualifications include Ph.D. in agricultural economics, community development, economic development, rural sociology, or closely related field; excellent oral and written communication skills; and understanding of rural and community economic development theory, analytical techniques and decision-making tools.

Preferred Qualifications include experience teaching online course(s) and working with a conglomeration of faculty at other universities to coordinate an online program in community development or closely related program.

To view details of the position and make application, go to <http://employment.unl.edu> Search for position #F_160177. Click on “Apply to this job.” Complete the application. Attach a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, college transcripts, contact information for three professional references. Review of applications will begin on 9/9/2016 and continue until the position is filled or the search is closed.

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The capital city of Nebraska, Lincoln is home to state government and the flagship campus of the University of Nebraska system. The city also hosts Nebraska Wesleyan University, Union College, Southeast Community College, Doane College-Lincoln and Lincoln School of Commerce. Lincoln has an excellent educational system and ranks in the top 20 least stressful cities in the nation for children. Residents enjoy nationally ranked sporting events, world famous performing arts, and a variety of cultural activities. Among the attractions: the 2,200 seat Lied Center for Performing Arts, the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden, four history museums, a planetarium, observatory, many private galleries, four live-stage theater venues, a civic auditorium, the 87,000,000 seat Memorial Stadium, 14,400 seat Devaney Center and new baseball stadium facilities. The Pinnacle Bank Arena development in the Haymarket was completed in the Fall of 2013. The Pinnacle Bank Arena was built to provide year-round entertainment from concerts, family activities to sporting events.

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<http://unl.edu> University of Nebraska-Lincoln homepage

<http://nebraska.edu> Web site for the University of Nebraska four-campus system.

<http://www.agecon.unl.edu> Agricultural Economics department web site.

<http://lcoc.com> The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce offers business and community information and a relocation directory.

<http://www.lincoln.org> The Lincoln/Lancaster County Convention and Visitors Bureau offers information on attractions, entertainment, recreation, dining, shopping and transportation.