UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT (Repost)

Title: Agricultural Technician, Full-Time

Position Number: 103071

Category Status: Non-Exempt Staff, Regular

Unit: AGNR-AES-LESREC (Location: 27664 Nanticoke Road, Salisbury, MD 21801)

Position Summary/Purpose of Position:

This position will be within the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Maryland, but assigned to the Lower Eastern Shore Research and Education Facility whose main office is located in Salisbury, Maryland. This is a permanent full-time position with benefits. Responsible for assisting supervisor in the day-to-day operations and maintenance of facility. All aspects of field experiments and research, application of experimental treatments, plot maintenance, small and large plot harvesting, data collection and record keeping, general cropping and facility maintenance. Assist with repairs and maintenance of property and equipment to ensure operational readiness, safety and cleanliness.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Operation and general maintenance of farm machinery (including; tractors, plows, disks, cultivators, planters/drills, combines, farm trucks, etc.), perform basic equipment repairs, calibrations and adjustments (shop and field) to all types of farm equipment, harvest in research and general rotational crops.
- Must have experience and working knowledge of primary and secondary tillage systems, comprehension of research,
 pesticide application and lab protocols for safe operation. Will handle field and experimental plot area rotations,
 research and rotational crop seeding, planting, maintaining and harvesting, understanding of soil amendments and
 pesticide application, capable of utilizing mathematics in the application of chemicals and fertilizers, familiar with
 proper equipment adjustment for maximum operating efficiency.
- Will handle supplies, materials and equipment maintained at the facility, computer knowledge necessary for data input, data analysis, information recording, familiar with internet and usage of UMD-Electronic forms.
- Computer knowledge necessary for the retrieval and input of data, completion of electronic timesheet and visa procurement card. Should have knowledge of electronic mail system and the Internet.

Qualifications:

Required-

- High School Diploma/GED.
- Three years' work experience in the agricultural field, one of which was agricultural research.
- Valid Maryland Noncommercial Class C or equivalent driver's license.

Preferred Knowledge -

• General knowledge of basic mathematics and ability to perform mathematical and algebraic calculations. Certification by the Maryland State Department of Agriculture as a pesticide applicator is required.

Other Certifications:

- Maryland Public Agency Applicator's Certification required or can be obtained within twelve (12) months of employment.
- Maryland Commercial Driver's License (CDL) required or attained within twelve (12) months of employment.
- Nutrient Management Voucher Certificate or obtain within 18 months of employment.

Physical Demands:

Ability to work in a harsh environment; excessive heat, cold, dirt & noise. Must be able to tolerate strenuous physical activity in adverse weather conditions. Ability to lift 50-100 lbs. & transport supplies, tools, and equipment, to climb and perform extensive standing and walking. Ability to wear personal protective equipment.

Salary and Benefits: Salary will commensurate with experience, with base salary of \$38,732.00 per year.

Application:

All applicants must apply online at https://ejobs.umd.edu (Position 103071). For more information, please contact David Armentrout, Manager (410-742-1178, ext. 315).

Closing Date: Applications accepted through January 26, 2024.

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