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PROFESSOR/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION) SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL, EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES PIETERMARITZBURG CAMPUS

REFE NO: AEES02/2021

The School seeks a strategic-thinking, self-motivated and innovative individual committed to quality teaching, research and community engagement in Agricultural Extension. The successful applicant will join a dedicated team of academic staff in Agricultural Extension and Rural Resource Management (AERRM). The incumbent should have expertise and practical field experience in: facilitating learning to build farmer capacity, in leveraging varying agricultural/farming systems on multiple scales to improve rural livelihoods and economies, expertise and experience in applying trans-disciplinary research in the discipline and related fields. S/he will be expected to lead Agricultural Extension by providing vision, academic leadership and research excellence. Responsibilities will include curriculum development: teaching and supervising students at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels, furthering the development of a dynamic Agricultural Extension research programme at the postgraduate level, attracting research funding, contributing to community engagement activities, and performing academic administrative duties.

The incumbent will report to the Academic Leader: Value Adding.

Minimum requirements:

Professor

- A PhD in Agricultural Extension or related field focussing on human development. e.g. Agricultural Education, Rural Sociology, Sustainable Agriculture, Human Development/Rural Development, Development Studies.
- Experience in teaching at a tertiary institution
- Practical/Field experience in agricultural extension/rural development or farmer training
- A current and sustained research publication record in peer-reviewed ISI/DoHET accredited journals appropriate for the level.
- Successful supervision of MSc and PhD students
- Demonstrated ability to attract external research funds
- Evidence of strong academic leadership

Associate Professor

- A PhD in Agricultural Extension or related field focusing on human development. e.g. Agricultural Education, Rural Sociology, Sustainable Agriculture, Human Development/Rural Development, Development Studies
- Experience in teaching at a tertiary institution
- Practical/Field experience in agricultural extension/rural development or farmer training

- A current and sustained research publication record in peer-reviewed ISI/DoHET accredited journals appropriate for this level
- Successful supervision of postgraduate students including at least one PhD student.
- Demonstrated ability to attract external research funds

This appointment will be made in line with the University Guidelines/ benchmarks which are available on the University Vacancies website on http://vacancies.ukzn.ac.za/Academic-Process-Proc-Guides.aspx.

Enquiries and details regarding this post may be directed to the Dean and Head of School, Professor Fhatuwani Nixwell Mudau, email: <u>MudauF@ukzn.ac.za</u>.

Appointment to this post will be on the 2018 Conditions of Service.

Short-listed candidates may be expected to do a presentation on a specified topic.

The remuneration package offered includes benefits.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 1 October 2021.

Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at <u>www.ukzn.ac.za</u>. Applicants are requested to clearly indicate the level they are applying for. Completed forms must be sent to <u>recruitment-aes@ukzn.ac.za</u> Advert Reference Number MUST be clearly stated in the subject line.