



Regional Livestock Educator

-  Requisition number: JR10004752
-  Remote type: Hybrid
-  Location: Darlington, Wisconsin
-  Location: Lancaster, Wisconsin
-  Category: Outreach and Community Engagement
-  Time type: Full time
-  Application period opens: Oct. 5, 2025
-  Apply by: Oct. 28, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. CDT

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Job category:

Academic Staff

Employment type:

Regular

Job profile:

Outreach Specialist

Job summary:

Extension has been working with farmers for more than 100 years, and we're diversifying our staffing portfolio to meet the evolving needs of our clientele. The Regional Livestock Educator position is designed to work with livestock producers and agribusiness professionals across a multi-county service area to solve production challenges and incorporate new research findings into outreach and educational materials that improve the efficiency and profitability of livestock production.

The Regional Livestock Educator will work with producers in their service area to identify needs and deliver research-based solutions to help them meet their goals. This position will cover Grant, Green, Iowa, and Lafayette counties.

The Regional Livestock Educator will:

- Collaborate with Extension colleagues to identify needs and develop and maintain robust, high-quality outreach education programs to find solutions to the most critical livestock management issues facing Wisconsin producers

- Develop and maintain a specific expertise related to livestock production and management to share with colleagues in similar positions across the state
- Build trust-based relationships with stakeholders

The ideal candidate will have experience with developing and evaluating educational programming and a track record of building positive relationships.

Regional Location

The primary programming focus is Grant, Green, Iowa and Lafayette Counties; however, some programming will be conducted over a broader geographical area. The position location is flexible within the region and will be determined based on programmatic needs, successful candidate's preferences, and availability of suitable space.

Partial Remote

This position will require work to be performed in-person, onsite, and at a designated work locations. Some work may be performed remotely, at an offsite, non-campus work location. Remote work requires an approved remote work agreement (RWA). A RWA requires successful candidates to possess their own high-speed internet and phone to perform the work on a university provided computer. Per University policy, transportation between home and assigned work location is not payable/reimbursable and will be at the expense of the employee.

This position has the possibility of working up to 1 day per week remote per [Extension's Remote Work Policy](#).

Evening/Weekend Work

This position may be required to work occasional nights and weekends to meet the program needs and priorities of the communities served.

Travel Expectations

It is expected that employees will make individual arrangements for transportation adequate to meet position responsibilities and essential job functions. [Read more about UW-Madison Driver Authorization.](#)

Applicants are required to: Have a valid drivers license and a reliable source of independent transportation for periodic in-state work travel, and/or comply with requirements for UW-Madison vehicle use authorization.

Physical Requirements

- Ability to lift 40 pounds with or without assistance
- Ability work outside in inclement weather

Key job responsibilities:

- Delivers outreach program content and materials to community members
- Communicates plans, activities, and achievements to Area Extension Director, Program Managers, County Partners and relevant Stakeholders through the reporting portal and verbal updates
- Schedules and secures resources and communicates logistics in support of an outreach program
- May assist with the monitoring of outreach program budget spending
- Develops and evaluates curriculum and programs and provides recommendations for improvement
- Identifies, promotes, and maintains external partnerships to support the outreach program
- Researches, develops, and facilitates outreach program content and materials

Department:

Division of Extension, Agriculture Institute, Dairy and Livestock Program
is searching for a Regional Livestock Educator.

About Extension

UW-Madison's Division of Extension serves the people and communities of Wisconsin by addressing local, statewide and national issues, improving lives through research-based education, fostering partnerships and action, and facilitating positive impacts.

About the Institute

The UW-Madison Division of Extension Agriculture Institute addresses emerging issues related to Wisconsin's agriculture and horticulture systems with research-based outreach to advance economically sustainable, socially responsible, and environmentally sound practices.

About the Program

The Dairy and Livestock Program is part of the Division of Extension's Agriculture Institute and provides timely resources and information to help Wisconsin producers and their consultants manage dairy more efficiently and profitably. Wisconsin's dairy industry contributes \$45.6 Billion annually to the economy, making it the largest agricultural industry in the state.

[Dairy & Livestock](#)

Compensation:

The minimum annual (12 months) starting salary \$62,000 for the position but is negotiable based on experience and qualifications

This position offers a comprehensive benefits package, including generous paid time off, competitively priced health/dental/vision/life insurance, tax-advantaged savings accounts, and participation in the nationally recognized Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) pension fund. For a summary of benefits, please see <https://www.wisconsin.edu/ohrwd/benefits/download/fasl.pdf>.

Required qualifications:

- Three or more years relevant professional experience.
- Demonstrated skills in interpreting, utilizing, and applying evidence-based information and research findings.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively, both written and verbal, using a variety of methods and technologies.
- Demonstrated ability to effectively work with people from a wide range of backgrounds and perspectives.

Preferred qualifications:

- Demonstrated experience with building diverse, collaborative partnerships to accomplish goals.
- Strong interpersonal relationship and problem-solving skills in a team setting.
- Ability to work independently and as a member of a team.
- Demonstrated educational program development skills which include planning and implementing programs; evaluating learning experiences; and communicating program impact and value, in both written and verbal formats, for a variety of lay and other audiences as well as stakeholders.
- Demonstrated experience in understanding experimental design, statistical analysis and interpreting research data.
- Demonstrated ability to write grants and establish partnerships that pool or leverage public and private funds in support of the Institutional mission.
- Demonstrated fiscal management skills.

Education:

Required Education

Bachelors Degree in a field of study related to this positions focus

Preferred Education

Master's preferred in a field of study related to this position's focus

How to apply:

We are eager to learn more about how your experience and passion may align with this position. To begin the application process, click the "apply now" button. You will be prompted to upload the following documents:

- Resume
- Letter of Qualifications (cover letter)

Please submit a cover letter referring to your work experience and a resume detailing your educational and professional background as it relates to this position. Your cover letter should communicate your interest in the position and how your skillset aligns with the role. The application reviewers will be relying on written application materials to determine who may advance to preliminary interviews.

For additional guidance and resources on how to tailor your application materials to the job posting, please click <https://extension.wisc.edu/careers/>.

Please note that successful applicants are responsible for ensuring their eligibility to work in the United States (i.e. a citizen or national of the United States, a lawful permanent resident, a foreign national authorized to work in the United States without need of employer sponsorship) on or before the effective date of appointment.

Application Deadline is 11:59PM (CST) on October 28, 2025.

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