

**Position Title**

Tenure-Track: Assistant Professor

**Position URL**

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**Position Description**

The Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications (ALEC), College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University, invite applications for one full-time, 9-month Assistant Professor faculty position with academic, scholarly, and professional credentials and accomplishments in agricultural social sciences. The selected candidate is expected to start August 1, 2026.

The successful candidate will contribute to the continued growth of ALEC academic programs, specifically the Ph.D. programs in Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications and the undergraduate degrees in Agricultural Education (AGED) and Agricultural Leadership (ALED). The position carries a division of effort of 50% research, 40% teaching, and 10% service. The person in this position is expected to obtain federal, state, industrial, and/or foundation funding to support and sustain a vigorous research program.

Applicants should have an interest in interdisciplinary research with our departmental faculty, undergraduate and graduate education, and community-engaged outreach. We welcome applicants whose scholarship bridges research and practice in the field of agricultural education, in its breadth of variations. Areas of scholarly interest may include, but are not limited to, the rural/urban divide; human nutrition, practices in artificial intelligence; the Global South; or the social factors shaping educational outcomes.

The AGED program (housed in ALEC) currently serves approximately 75 undergraduate majors and 100 graduate students. Current faculty members engage in research and outreach that directly inform practice and address the needs and strengths of youth, adults, and policymakers to promote the science of teaching and learning of agriculture. Program faculty place a high value on collaboration within the program and across disciplines in the department, college, and university.

The Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education, and Communications is housed in the heart of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The department is home to approximately 1,300 undergraduate students, 300 graduate students, and more than 30 faculty scholars from around the globe. The [website](#) provides extensive information about the work being conducted.

**Qualifications****Required qualifications**

- Ph.D. or equivalent in Agricultural Education, Extension Education, Agricultural Leadership, Educational Psychology, Curriculum & Instruction, Education, or another closely related discipline from an accredited institution.

- Evidence of research productivity or compelling evidence of such potential, including publications and the potential for externally funded research.
- An appropriate range of methodological expertise essential to success of an ALEC scholar, including mixed-methodology and experimental design research.
- Current state-recognized K-12 teaching certificate/licensure from any state.
- A minimum of three years of elementary and/or secondary teaching experience.
- Academic preparation and experience in teaching and/or facilitating leadership programs.

Preferred qualifications for the position

- Familiarity with the Land Grant Mission, established by the Morrill Acts of 1862 and 1890.
- Professional experience in agricultural extension education, agricultural leadership education and development, or other formal, informal, or nonformal educational settings.
- Demonstrated ability or potential to develop curriculum, teach, and mentor undergraduate and graduate students.
- Evidence of effective communication, perspective-taking, and collegiality aligned with effective service at the departmental, college, university, and professional levels.
- Experience working on interdisciplinary projects, program evaluation, and the application of advanced development methods and statistics in the integration of research and practice.
- An approved federal Hatch program

## **Application Instructions**

Applicants must submit:

- Cover letter summarizing your interest in and qualifications for the position in .pdf format;
- Current curriculum vitae that includes research activity, teaching experience, and service to the profession in .pdf format;
- Personal statement that includes a guiding philosophy and plans for research, teaching, and service. Limit your statement to 3 pages, Times New Roman 12 pt font, in .pdf format; and
- Name and contact information for three professional references.

Applications must be submitted online at: [apply.interfolio.com/177732](https://apply.interfolio.com/177732).

The position will be open until filled. The process of reviewing applications will begin six weeks after the position opens.

If you have questions about the position, contact Chanda Elbert at [chanda.elbert@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:chanda.elbert@ag.tamu.edu).

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