

**MSU EXTENSION
AGRICULTURE AND
AGRIBUSINESS INSTITUTE****Position Information****Position Title**

Extension Educator

Salary

Commensurate with education and experience

BenefitsComprehensive benefits package:
<https://www.hr.msu.edu/benefits/index.html>**Location**

Oceana County, MI

To Apply**Current MSU Employees:**

Access the EBS portal. Under the My Career and Training section, select the Careers @ MSU tile to view Internal Job Postings.

External Applicants:Visit <http://careers.msu.edu>**Posting Number:**

693713

Application Deadline:

3/18/2021

Contact for Questionsmsue.hr@msu.edu**Tree Fruit Extension Educator****Position Overview**

As part of MSU Extension (MSUE) and the Agriculture and Agribusiness Institute (AABI), this position provides leadership and expertise in tree fruit production in alignment with the AABI Fruit Team. This position will have primary coverage in west central Michigan with statewide responsibilities and will collaborate across work teams, Institutes, and community groups, working with faculty, specialists and educators to achieve efficient, profitable and sustainable fruit production, and overall advancement for the Michigan tree fruit industries. This position will be located in Oceana County (Hart, MI).

In this position, you will identify, design, implement and evaluate research-based programming that addresses clientele group needs, and disseminate information through various methods, including online and digital delivery of educational resources, multi-media, personal education and written articles. Your work may include developing programming to improve horticultural management, conduct integrated pest management, hold educational meetings for growers, and conduct on-farm consultations. You will support AABI and MSUE's efforts in diversity, equity, and inclusion, with a special emphasis on reaching diverse populations. You will serve as an informational resource for MSUE personnel and clientele, and will provide growers, processors and agri-business professionals with knowledge to profitably produce fruit crops, while minimizing environmental impact, contributing to viability of farms, and the economic well-being of Michigan growers. You will have the ability to network statewide with the existing core of Fruit Team specialists, educators and campus faculty while also connecting with program areas across MSUE to provide education and service to Michigan's Fruit industry and residents of the state. Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) are essential elements vital to the culture MSUE endeavors to cultivate and you will incorporate these important ideals into your work.

Minimum Qualifications (see full description for complete list of requirements)

- Master's degree from an accredited institution in a field of study related to fruit Horticulture, with emphasis on tree fruit.

Application Process

To view the full position description and required qualifications, please visit the applicable Michigan State University careers page (internal candidate or external candidate) as noted under the To Apply section. **Search for posting number 693713 using the Job Search field.**

Applicants are asked to provide a current resume, cover letter and four (4) professional references (at least two prior supervisors) including email addresses.

This position is a full-time, fixed term end dated appointment.

Application Deadline: March 18, 2021.

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