

# Assistant Professor or Lecturer of Agribusiness Department of Agriculture School of Agriculture and Natural Resources

# **About the College**

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC) is a state college in the University System of Georgia with two instructional sites in Southwest Georgia. ABAC's mission is to provide excellent education by engaging, teaching, coaching, mentoring, and providing relevant experiences that prepare the graduate for life. The main campus is located in Tifton, Georgia. Tifton is a progressive community known for its quality-of-life environment and was recently named one of the 100 Best Small Towns in America. The college has a student body of 3,649 students and a teaching faculty of approximately 135 (Fall 2022). The School of Agriculture and Natural Resources is one of four schools and offers seven of the college's 14 Bachelor of Science degrees. The school's enrollment (1,479) is 40% of the college's total enrollment and has approximately 50 faculty and staff. The Department of Agriculture is one of three departments within the school. It has a total enrollment of approximately 956 students, four degree programs (BS in Agribusiness, Agriculture, Agricultural Technology Management, and Environmental Horticulture), and has a total of 20 faculty and staff.

### **Position Description**

The Department of Agriculture in the School of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College is seeking applicants for an Assistant Professor or Lecturer of Agribusiness. This is a 10-month tenure track position (Assistant Professor) or 10-month non-tenure track position (Lecturer rank). The successful candidate will teach undergraduate courses in agricultural economics, agricultural financial management, agricultural marketing, or agribusiness management (assignment will depend on the candidate's areas of interest and expertise); advise students and student organizations; engage in administrative, service, and scholarly activities; engage in industry and professional organizations, and work effectively as a faculty team member to continually improve courses, degree programs, and student learning experiences.

# **Required Qualifications**

- An earned doctorate (Assistant Professor rank) or Master's (Lecturer rank) in Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness, or a closely related field with a minimum of 18 graduate semester credit hours related directly to the major.
- Strong written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to use current technology in support of instructional activities (including laboratories).
- A primary interest in and a firm commitment to undergraduate education.
- Ability to work cooperatively with students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni, and industry stakeholders.
- Demonstrated ability to work with industry stakeholders and other related groups in developing and promoting activities that enhance the student learning experience, promote student engagement, and enhance community and industry relationships.

# **Desired Qualifications**

- Experience in teaching (Lecturer and Assistant Professor rank) and advising (Assistant Professor rank) at the college-level.
- A record of successful extramural funding and/or scholarly activities (Assistant Professor rank).
- Professional work experience in agribusiness or closely related field.

**Application Instructions:** All applications are submitted electronically at the following web site: <a href="https://link.abac.edu/CAREERS">https://link.abac.edu/CAREERS</a>. Candidates will submit a cover letter, CV, philosophy of teaching, copy of transcripts, and a list of three references. Finalists will be required to submit official transcripts and three letters of reference.

Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. It is recommended applications be submitted by June 5, 2023.

Employment Start Date: August 1, 2023

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