



# School of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Agricultural Education and Communication

**Title:** Associate Professor of Agricultural Communication

**Department:** Agricultural Education and Communication

**Job Category:** Faculty

## 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 as one of the 100 Best Small Towns in America. The college has a student body of approximately 4,000 students and a teaching faculty of approximately 135. The School of Agriculture and Natural Resources is one of four schools and offers six of the college's 12 Bachelor of Science degrees. The school's enrollment is approximately 32% of the college's total enrollment (~1,300) and has approximately 50 faculty and staff. The Department of Agricultural Education and Communication is one of three departments within the school. It has a total enrollment of approximately 250 students, two degree programs (BS in Agricultural Communication and Agricultural Education), and has a total of seven faculty and staff.

## Position Summary

The Department of Agricultural Education and Communication, housed within the School of Agriculture and Natural Resources, seeks applicants for an Associate Professor in Agricultural Communication. This is a 10-month, tenure-track position. The successful candidate will teach undergraduate courses in Agricultural Communication, advise students and student organizations; engage in scholarly activities, engage in service activities, develop partnerships with commodity and industry organizations, and work effectively as a member of a faculty team to continually update and improve the content of courses and degree programs in the department. In addition, the successful candidate will serve as the Program Leader for the Agricultural Communication program, depending on level of experience. In addition, the successful candidate will work with the community and college on initiatives and activities that enhance the student learning experience and community relationships and promotes student engagement. Specific assignments will depend on the successful candidate's experience and area of interest.

## Required Qualifications

- An earned doctorate in Agricultural Communication or closely related discipline (must have completed all requirements for the doctorate by start date of employment).
- Experience in teaching and advising at the college-level.

- Strong written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to use current technology in support of instructional activities.
- Primary interest in and firm commitment to undergraduate education.
- The ability to work effectively 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, promotes student engagement, and enhances community and industry relationships.

### **Desired Qualifications**

- Prior administrative experience in academic programs.
- Professional work experience in agricultural communication field.
- A record of successful extramural funding and/or scholarly activities.

**Application Instructions:** 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. Job number: 225031

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Review of applications will begin April 15, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Employment Start Date:** August 1, 2021

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