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| Apprenticeship Title: | Exploration of Family and Consumer Science Extension Competencies |
| Duration: | 10 weeks (approximately May – August, 2019) |
| Compensation: | \$4,000 stipend and job-related travel reimbursement |
| Minimum age: | 18 |
| Minimum requirements: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be currently enrolled in a four-year accredited college or university in a course of study relevant to the mission of Extension. • Must have completed sophomore year prior to the start of the program. Must NOT be eligible to graduate prior to December 2019. • Must possess a minimum GPA of 3.0 based on a 4.0 scale at the time of application (exceptions will be considered with substantial justification). • Must be a U.S. citizen, national, or permanent resident. • Must have a valid driver’s license and reliable personal vehicle. • Must be willing to travel (regionally and possibly internationally) and work flexible hours. In other words, this position requires travel connected with official duties, including attendance at night and weekend meetings, conferences, etc. (Travel reimbursement will be provided.) |
| Preferred qualifications: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior knowledge and/or experience (or an interest in learning) qualitative research methods and software. • Background in Family and Consumer Science, Human Development and Family Science, Family Resource Management, Nutrition and Health Promotion, Human Sciences or similar field. |
| Physical requirements: | None |
| Specific Apprenticeship Description: | <p>Are you interested in human science and/or organizational development research? If so, this apprenticeship will offer the opportunity to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop, implement, and analyze a Delphi study to identify the needed Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Education knowledge and skills (competencies) for professionals in the field, specifically Extension educators in Mississippi; • use these results to contribute to the development of recommendations for a professional development/training curriculum for Mississippi Extension agents; • develop a poster to present at an Extension- or FCS-related professional conference; and • contribute to a journal manuscript or Extension publication describing this overall qualitative research project and subsequent Extension applications. |
| General Apprenticeship Description: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with an MSU Extension mentor and other Extension personnel and stakeholders to coordinate research and implement related outreach program events and activities. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate in meetings where local issues are identified and prioritized, and program results and plans are discussed. Assist in preparations for planned events and activities by gathering information, assembling materials, contacting participants, and soliciting support from external sources. As appropriate, conduct the teaching, training or other program presentations. • Maintain a reflection journal outlining apprenticeship experiences. • Develop and present a poster or presentation at an industry-related conference or professional meeting identified by the Extension mentor. |
| <p>Other Information:</p> | <p>Housing is not provided. However, program administrators may be able to assist you in finding an affordable place to live.</p> <p>For specific questions about this apprenticeship opportunity, contact:</p> <p>Dr. Alisha Hardman Assistant Professor School of Human Sciences Phone: 662.325.7839 a.hardman@msstate.edu</p> |
| <p>Application Process:</p> | <p>Online application (http://extension.msstate.edu/apprentice) and supplemental documentation due by 11:59 PM on February 28, 2019.</p> |