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# **Position Information**

### **Position Title**

**Extension Specialist** 

# Salary

Commensurate with education and experience

## **Benefits**

Comprehensive benefits package: <a href="https://www.hr.msu.edu/benefits/index.html">https://www.hr.msu.edu/benefits/index.html</a>

#### Location

Clarksville, 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 <a href="http://careers.msu.edu">http://careers.msu.edu</a>

# **Posting Number:**

840131

### **Application Deadline**:

2/15/2023

# **Contact for Questions**

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# **Apple Extension Specialist**

# **Position Overview**

As part of MSU Extension (MSUE), the Agriculture and Agribusiness Institute (AABI) and MSU AgBioResearch (ABR), this position provides local and statewide leadership and will conduct programming and applied research in apple production. Michigan is the second-most agriculturally diverse state within the United States and is the 3<sup>rd</sup> leading apple producing state in the U.S. This position is located near the major apple production region in Michigan. The position will conduct Extension programming and research germane to the apple industry and work with apple growers within the region and statewide as needed and will collaborate across work teams and Institutes, including working with faculty, specialists, and educators to achieve efficient, profitable, and sustainable apple production and overall advancement for the Michigan apple industry.

In this position, you will also design, implement, and evaluate educational programming based on basic and applied research addressing the needs of Michigan growers. You will secure intra- and extramural grant funding to support your research and Extension programs, will ensure dissemination of research-based information through various methods, including multi-media, social media, personal education, and written articles, and will provide growers, processors, and agri-business professionals with the knowledge to profitably produce their crop, while minimizing environmental impact. Additionally, you will serve as an informational resource for MSU personnel and clientele.

The position will be based at the 440-acre <u>Clarksville Research Center</u>, located in Clarksville, Michigan, near the leading apple producing region of Michigan.

### **Qualifications**

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

- Master's degree from an accredited institution in a field of study related to horticulture or crop science, and/or related to apple production must be earned by date of hire.
- Background in apple production, and experience in horticulture practices related to apple research and education.

### **Application Process**

View full description and apply through the MSU careers page. Search for posting 840131 using the Job Search field.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2023.

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