



Job Description

Title	Assistant Lecturer in Agriculture Extension
Faculty/Department	Faculty of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries -Department of Agriculture
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Category	Academic
Stream	Higher Education
Reports to	Head of Agriculture Department and Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.
Summary of Duties	The Assistant Lecturer in Agriculture Extension will assist in teaching, research, and extension services focused on agricultural practices, farmer education, and community development. This role involves supporting senior faculty staff in curriculum development, engaging in research projects, and aiding in the delivery of extension programs.
Detail Roles & Responsibilities	
Main Duties or Tasks	<p>The Solomon Islands National University (SINU) expects the practice of all teaching staff to be of the highest quality. The following sets out the expectations the University has of its teaching staff. These details reflect the quality of teaching and the Professional Standards expected to be delivered by all academic staff of the University.</p> <p>1. Teaching Assistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist in delivering lectures, laboratory sessions, and field-based courses in agriculture extension. • Support the development of course materials, syllabi, and assessments. • Provide support to students during laboratory sessions and practical activities. • Supervise and mentor undergraduate student projects and internships. <p>2. Research Assistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate in research projects under the guidance of senior faculty members. • Assist in data collection, analysis, and the preparation of research reports and publications. • Contribute to writing grant proposals and securing research funding. • Present research findings at academic conferences and seminars. <p>3. Extension Services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist in the development and implementation of extension programs to educate farmers and rural communities. • Support the organization of workshops, seminars, and training sessions on agricultural best practices. • Aid in creating educational materials and resources for extension activities. • Conduct field visits to engage with farmers and understand their needs and challenges. <p>4. Curriculum Development Support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist senior faculty in the review and enhancement of the agriculture extension curriculum.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure course content is current and relevant to industry trends and advancements. • Collaborate with colleagues to incorporate new knowledge and technologies into the curriculum. <p>5. Student Advising and Support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide academic and career advising to students. • Foster a supportive and inclusive learning environment for all students. • Help students with their academic and research-related queries and concerns.
Other Duties & Responsibilities	<p>Service and Administration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serve on departmental, college, and university committees. • Participate in faculty meetings and contribute to institutional governance. • Engage in community service and represent the institution in professional organizations. • Perform other duties as assigned by the Head of Agriculture Department and Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.
General Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To adhere to the university's equal opportunities policy in all activities, and to actively promote equality of opportunity wherever possible. • To be responsible for your health and safety and that of your colleagues. • To understand other such duties as may be reasonably expected. • To provide a healthy and comfortable working environment.
Minimum Qualifications	Master's degree or Postgraduate Degree in Agriculture or a relevant field with evidence of teaching and industry work experience.
Desirable attributes	<p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some teaching experience at the college or university level is preferred. • Research experience in agriculture extension or a related area. • Experience in extension services or working with farming communities is desirable. <p>Skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong knowledge of agricultural practices and extension methodologies. • Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. • Ability to work effectively in a team and collaborate with colleagues. • Proficiency in using educational technologies and online learning platforms. <p>Personal Attributes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment to academic excellence and integrity. • Passion for teaching and supporting student development. • Ability to inspire and engage students. • Flexibility and adaptability to changing academic environments.
Term	The position is for five (5) years under an employment contract. The contract is renewable subject to good performance.