



College of Family and Consumer Sciences

Financial Planning, Housing & Consumer Economics

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

The Department of Financial Planning, Housing and Consumer Economics at the University of Georgia invites applications for the tenure-track Assistant Professor of Extension for Financial Planning and Consumer Wellbeing.

Position: Assistant Professor of Extension for Financial Planning and Consumer Wellbeing (nine month, academic appointment, tenure track, expected to be 75% public service and outreach, 25% teaching)

Start date: August 1, 2022 or as negotiated.

Qualifications: Candidates must have a doctorate degree at the time of appointment in financial planning or a closely-related discipline (e.g., family economics, consumer economics, resource management, accounting, and economics).

Responsibilities:

The successful applicant must understand and embrace the land grant mission of public service and outreach, including serving the needs of underrepresented and/or economically disadvantaged individuals and communities. The successful applicant must be an effective communicator, both orally and written and with diverse audiences, and must work successfully, both independently and within a team. The ideal applicant must have a commitment to excellence in undergraduate and graduate education.

Candidates must demonstrate promise of moving toward excellence in service to Georgia citizens and their families, student instruction, scholarly activities, professional development activities, professional leadership, and/or service to the profession.

The ideal candidate will have a strong research agenda related to financial health literacy, be able to collaborate with faculty working on the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program at UGA. Expertise in writing grant proposals, familiarity with university grants and contracts, knowledge of IRB/Human Subjects procedures and policies, and the ability to manage many different projects and programs simultaneously is desired.

Work with faculty with multiple disciplinary expertise to grow and/or sustain scholarly undergraduate and graduate programs in financial planning. Teach the equivalent of 2 three-credit undergraduate and/or graduate courses per year in financial planning, housing and consumer economics. Conduct and disseminate applied research findings through trainings and materials to County Extension Agents, and the general public, as needed. Obtain extramural funds for research and program funding. Participate in departmental and collegiate governance and professional organizations.

- Department:** The Department of Financial Planning, Housing, and Consumer is one of the four academic units in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences. It offers B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees with an enrollment of approximately 320 undergraduate and 90 graduate students. Undergraduate programs include Financial Planning, Consumer Economics (with an optional emphasis in Applied Consumer Analytics), Housing Management and Policy (with an optional emphasis in Residential Property Management), and Social Entrepreneurship. Master's degree emphases include Financial Planning, Consumer Economics, and Applied Consumer Analytics, Community Development, and Housing Management and Policy. The Department is staffed by 20 faculty members with expertise in financial literacy, financial planning, consumer decision making, consumer and family policy, housing, and residential property management. Extension and public service faculty provide practical, research-based information to Georgia residents to improve quality of lives and communities.
- University:** The University of Georgia (UGA), located in Athens, is a public research university, a land-grant/sea-grant institution in the University System of Georgia. Founded in 1785, UGA is the largest and most comprehensive educational institution in the state. The campus and community of Athens offer many cultural and recreational opportunities. UGA has approximately 39,000 students and has been ranked in the top 15 public universities in U.S. News & World Report. The Athens campus is approximately 65 miles northeast of Atlanta, 60 miles from Blue Ridge Mountains, and 195 miles from the Atlantic coast. Athens fosters a rich cultural environment interconnected with the university and is perennially identified as one of America's most livable cities. Additional information about the college and university can be found at: <http://www.fcs.uga.edu/> and <http://www.uga.edu/>.
- Closing date:** Complete applications received by April 15, 2022 will be given full consideration. The college desires to fill this position by August 2022, but the start date is negotiable. The search will remain open until the position is filled.
- Procedure:** Complete applications will include a cover letter, a statement of teaching philosophy, a curriculum vita, an unofficial copy of transcript for graduate study, and names and contact information for three references. Applicants are invited, but not required, to submit up to three letters of support. The applications and supporting documents should be uploaded via the UGAJobs website: <https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/247386> . Questions about this position or the application process should be directed to Dr. Pamela Turner (prturner@uga.edu) or Ms. Melissa McBride (mmcbride@uga.edu).

The college welcomes applications and nominations of minorities and others who share our passion about and reflect our desire to support a culture of diversity and inclusion. The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ethnicity, age, genetic information, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status. Persons needing accommodations or assistance with the accessibility of materials related to this search are encouraged to contact Central HR (hrweb@uga.edu). Please do not contact the department or search committee with such requests.