

**Requisition #15589**

**Field and Crops Nutrient Management Associate (Lockport, NY)  
(Extension Support Specialist II)  
Department of Animal Science  
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALs)  
Cornell University**

**Description**

The Northwest New York Regional Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops program of Cornell Cooperative Extension and PRO-DAIRY is the major regional extension program working with agricultural producers and agribusiness professionals in this region of New York State. The primary responsibility of this position is to work with the existing Field Crops Specialist and other staff members of the Northwest New York Regional Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops program to deliver an integrated educational program in field crop production and nutrient management. This program will meet the needs of the field crops industry as related to the cash crop industry and integrated with the dairy industry across 10 major agricultural counties in the region. Expected methods of delivering this program include developing and implementing educational programs for growers, participating in and facilitating activities of Tactical Agricultural (TAg) teams comprised of small groups of growers, and working with the Field Crops Specialist to actualize industry-based research for field crop growers and dairy producers in the region. Collaboration in development and delivery of educational programs will be required with other members of the PRO-DAIRY statewide and area teams and faculty related to field crop production and nutrient management.

*This position extends through July 31, 2014. Extending position beyond this date is contingent on funding.*

Location: The positions will be located Lockport, NY.

**Required Qualifications**

The following are minimum qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Crop Science, Agronomy or related field with demonstrated focus in agronomy and nutrient management; 2-3 years of experience working in the field crop industry or other agricultural related industries or equivalent combination.
- Demonstrated strong commitment to extension in support of the field crops industry and a willingness to collaborate with other staff in a multi-disciplinary, integrated approach commitment to extension education in support of the field crop industry and a willingness to collaborate with other University staff, extension and industry personnel, and commercial farms. Strong computer skills and familiarity with Microsoft office programs.
- Excellent interpersonal skills, oral and written communication and organizational skills required.
- Must be able to work well with a variety of diverse people.
- Applicants should have interest in participating in industry-based research in cooperation with commercial growers. A commitment to quality service, collaborative decision making, teamwork, and communication is essential.
- Experience that demonstrates sound judgment, creativity, management, and problem-solving skills and the ability to work well within a team of professionals.
- Ability to plan ahead and anticipate potential issues, with strong ability for multi-tasking.
- Ability to travel throughout New York State when required.
- Valid driver's license required.

**Preferred Qualifications**

- Master's Degree in Crop Science, Agronomy or related field
- Prior employment in the Field Crops Industry
- Certified Crop Advisor
- New York Certified Pesticide Applicator License

