



Agricultural Research Technician - Colby, Kansas

Department: 3670010210 NW Research Ext Center Colby

Job no: 508931

Work type: Staff Full Time (Unclassified - Term)

Location: Colby, Kansas

Categories: Agriculture, Research / Scientific / Grants, Crop Production, Agronomy

Pay Grade: 04B

About This Role: The Northwest Extension Agronomy program at the Kansas State University Northwest Research-Extension Center at Colby, Kansas is looking for a Research Technician. This person will be an integral part in conducting applied research of practical relevance to farmers across the High Plains. The successful candidate will plan and conduct field operations such as planting, harvesting, irrigation, and application; use, maintain, repair, and fabricate agricultural machinery; and assist in the collection of high quality data through field measurements.

Why Join Us: We are looking for someone to join our team in a position where they can use their existing skills and develop new skills while contributing to the advancement of the agriculture industry. This is a diverse position with new challenges and opportunities presented almost every day. This is an ideal position for anyone with natural curiosity and attention to detail.

We Support Diversity and Inclusion: Kansas State University embraces diversity and inclusion. The university actively seeks individuals who foster a collegial environment and cooperative interactions with coworkers, students, and others. The University is dedicated to promoting the [Principles of Community](#).

What You'll Need to Succeed:

Minimum Requirements:

- High School Diploma

Preferred Qualifications:

- A.S. or B.S. in agronomy or related field, significant experience in the agricultural industry may be substituted.

- Knowledge of agronomy/crop production, experience with farm machinery.
- Experience with general farming operations including planting, harvesting, tillage, and pesticide application.
- Mechanical aptitude in the maintenance, repair, and fabrication of machinery.
- Experience with field experimentation.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Basic computer skills such as spreadsheet, word processor, and email.

Other Requirements:

- Valid drivers license upon employment
- Within 4 months of employment, obtain a commercial applicators license with Class 1A and 10 endorsements. A CDL drivers license is not necessary at this time, but the candidate may be required to obtain one in the future.

How to Apply: To apply, applicants should upload: a letter of interest, resume and the contact information of three professional references. Visit careers.k-state.edu and search for position 508931.

Screening of Applications Begins: Immediately and continues until a suitable candidate is found.

Anticipated Hiring Salary Range: \$13.47 - \$21.64 - *Includes State of Kansas benefit package (health, dental, vision, retirement, paid annual leave and sick leave).*

Equal Employment Opportunity: Kansas State University is an Equal Opportunity Employer of individuals with disabilities and protected veterans and actively seeks diversity among its employees.

Background Screening Statement: In connection with your application for employment, Kansas State University will procure a Background Screen on you as part of the process of considering your candidacy as an employee.

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