Master's Level National Needs Fellowship in Sustainable Food Systems

Seeking a motivated graduate student with an interest in medical or agricultural anthropology or related social science, food security, nutrition, and sustainable agriculture for a Masters-level USDA National Needs Fellowship (NNF) in Sustainable Food Systems at the University of Georgia.

The project is part of an interdisciplinary research collaboration that aims to improve the food security and health of low-income Georgians and expand local markets for small- and mid-scale farmers through online eLearning nutrition education (developed by UGA SNAP-Ed) and supplemental fresh produce distribution. This NNF Sustainable Food Systems project seeks to identify best practices for implementing and sustaining the supplemental produce component of this project.

This position involves developing interdisciplinary knowledge and skills related to community food systems, sustainable agriculture, food security, and nutrition. The research will involve literature review, fieldwork to collect qualitative data through interviews and participant observation (with farmers, Extension personnel, and other stakeholders), qualitative data analysis, and academic writing.

This is a two-year Graduate Fellowship, located in the <u>Department of Crop and Soil Sciences at UGA</u>, beginning August 2019 (through May 2021) and includes tuition and a research stipend.

The ideal candidate will have experience with underserved communities in Georgia, experience with qualitative research methods, and excellent writing skills.

First generation college students and students from underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.

Please submit CV and letter of interest by November 30, 2018 to: Dr. Jennifer Jo Thompson
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