

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR/VEGETABLE SPECIALIST: University of Delaware Cooperative Extension. 12-month appointment, extension specialist, 70% extension, 30% research. The successful candidate will be classified as a continuing non-tenure track assistant professor. The successful candidate will develop and implement a dynamic extension vegetable program that supports the commercial vegetable industry in Delaware. He/She will develop a comprehensive applied research program capable of delivering non-biased, research-based information to the vegetable industry. He/She will contribute to extension programming in the form of industry newsletter articles, fact sheets, industry workshops, presentations at scientific and grower meetings, providing vegetable expertise and support for county and state extension staff; will maintain and enhance the Delaware vegetable website; and will work with one full time vegetable extension associate and one half time bioresources engineering extension associate.

Ph.D. required in horticulture or a related field with an emphasis on vegetable production and five years of broad experience in vegetable production extension and research. Ability to work and communicate well with producers and processors in the vegetable industry, academic colleagues and the public; Ability to conduct applied research related to vegetable production in a sustainable and economically viable manner; Excellent verbal and written communication skills with a record of publications; Ability to use technology to deliver information to a variety of audiences. Strong people and leadership skills; Supervisory experience; Skill and experience in grant writing. Applicants should submit a complete curriculum vita, letter of application, and the names and contact information of at least three professional references to Dr. Susan Barton (Search Committee Chair) Department of Plant and Soil Sciences, Townsend Hall, Newark, DE 19716-2170; 302-831-1375, sbarton@udel.edu. Deadline for receipt of applications is January 5, 2009. The University of Delaware is an Equal Opportunity Employer that encourages applications from Minority Group Members and Women.