Extension and Engagement Educator Certificate

100% Online Graduate-Level Certificate

Purpose: to encourage professional development of current extension agents and preparation of prospective agents in Kansas beyond the new agent experience. This program could be utilized by agents from other states, also. Alignment with the Master's in Agricultural Education and Communication degree will allow students to apply coursework from the certificate to help complete their course-based master's degree.

Finances: Current KSRE agents can use the university tuition waiver to help pay for 3 credit hours at the in-state, on-campus rate. Courses taken through IDEA will incur higher out-of-pocket costs for agents. Many of the courses in the program are offered through IDEA.

Requirements: 18 credit hours of graduate coursework

1. **Philosophical Context:** *3 credit hours*

   AGED 820 History and Philosophy of Agricultural and Extension Education

   AGED 830 The History and Leadership of the Land Grant University

2. **Theoretical Foundations:** *3 credit hours*

   AGCOM 844 Theory of Agricultural Communication

   AGED 790 Ag Ed Methods & Practicum for Teaching and Learning

   AGED 832 Foundations and Theory of Agricultural Leadership

   AGED 840 Advanced Theory and Methods of Teaching Agriculture

   HDFS 784 Foundations and Principles of Family and Community Services

3. **Programming and Evaluation:** *3 credit hours*

   AGED 858 Program Planning and Evaluation in Agricultural and Extension Education

   AGED 860 – Program Evaluation in Agricultural and Extension Education

   EDACE 830 - Program Planning in Adult Learning and Leadership

   EDACE 837 - Quality Programs and Staff Management in Adult Learning and Leadership

   HDFS 714 – Program Design, Evaluation, and Implementation

   HDFS 719 - Program Administration and Management

4. **Extension-related Electives:** *3 credit hours*

   AGED 706 – Principles of Teaching Adults in Extension

   AGED 736 – Practicum in Extension Education

   AGED 820 History and Philosophy of Agricultural and Extension Education*

   AGED 830 The History and Leadership of the Land Grant University*

   AGED 859 – Management of Volunteers in Agricultural and Extension Education

   *Courses can count in this section if they were not taken for requirement #1.

5. **Communication and Education Elective:** *3 credit hours*

   AGCOM 610 - Crisis Communication

   AGCOM 712 - Environmental Communication

   AGCOM 733 - Graphic Design and Theory in Ag Com

   AGCOM 800 Foundations of Agricultural Communications

   AGCOM 830 - New Media Technology

   EDACE 780 - Introduction to Adult Learning and Leadership

   EDACE 785 - Designing Classroom Instruction and Curriculum for Adult Learners

   EDACE 820 - Principles of Teaching Adults

6. **Discipline-related Elective:** 3 credit hours

   Select any three credit hours of graduate coursework related to your extension focus area.