

American Samoa Community College Agriculture Community & Natural Resources Division EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Position Title: Horticulture Technician

Employment Status: Full Time 12 months (Career Service)

General Description:

Under the direct supervision of the Horticulture Researcher, the Horticulture Technician will help implement field and laboratory projects that develop and extend effective, environmentally-sound horticulture practices in American Samoa.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Establish and maintain agricultural research plots on- and off-station. Maintenance activities include: cultivation, planting, and irrigation; manual and chemical weed, disease, and insect control; pruning; fertilizer application; and harvesting.
- Clean and maintain laboratory facilities, equipment, tools and vehicles
- Assist Horticulture Researcher and Research Assistants with demonstrations and presentations
- Assist Horticulture Researcher with extension and instruction work
- Assist with data collection from horticulture projects
- Perform other duties assigned by the Horticulture Researcher

Minimum Qualifications:

- High School Diploma
- Familiarity with agriculture field and laboratory operations
- Strength and stamina to conduct moderately strenuous field work
- Ability to safely operate manual transmission vehicle, weed eater, rototiller, backpack sprayer, hoe, spade, and bush knife

Preferred Qualifications:

- Demonstrated interest in science and agriculture
- Hands-on experience growing major crops of American Samoa
- Ability to identify commonly cultivated and wild plants of American Samoa
- Carpentry skills
- Proficiency in proper use of pesticides

Salary Range: GS-08/01-07: \$16,650.00 - \$20,550.00 per annum

Application Deadline: March 31st, 2023 no later than 4:00pm

Applications are available from American Samoa Community College, Human Resources Office 699-9155 Ext. 456/466/460, 699-2722 ext

3601/3602/3603/3604/3605/3606, http://www.amsamoa.edu/employmentopportunities.html or by emailing ascchumanresources@amsamoa.edu.

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