

Graduate Assistantship Opportunities in Agricultural and Human Sciences at NC State University

The Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences (AHS) educates students in agriculture and youth, family, and community sciences, finds solutions to problems, and extends knowledge to create healthy communities for youth and families.

Graduate student assistantships are available in AHS. Positions are expected to begin Fall 2025 and will provide tuition, a stipend, and health insurance for 3 years for doctoral students or 2 years for master's students.

Candidates should apply and be accepted to the Graduate School at NC State by February 1. Additionally, interested candidates should submit use the link below to submit a letter of application and current resume or CV.

[Assistantship Interest Form](#)

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Please direct general questions about the Graduate Program to Dr. Wendy Warner at wjwarner@ncsu.edu.

Graduate Assistant: Research and Extension

We seek a graduate assistant to support research and extension efforts to **improve young children's dietary quality and school readiness through education, exposure, and access to nutritious foods and high-quality learning experiences**. The successful candidate will be expected to contribute to these efforts by collaborating with Dr. Virginia C. Stage, Mrs. Jocelyn Dixon, and other collaborating multidisciplinary faculty and community partners.

This 3-year funded assistantship will begin in Fall 2025. The applicant must pursue a full-time, on-campus doctoral-level graduate degree in the Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences and complete a dissertation. Potential candidates should be interested in conducting research and extension focused on teacher professional development in school settings specific to nutrition programming or family engagement.

Depending on the selected candidate's goals and interests, the individual may gain experience in community engagement; project management; program development, implementation and evaluation; data collection, management, and analysis; and publication, grant writing, and professional presentation at local, state, and national levels. Extension opportunities will provide the student with additional experiences in coordinating and facilitating professional development and family engagement opportunities.

The ideal candidate will: (1) have experience developing theory-based nutrition education; (2) be a Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist (RDN) or RDN-eligible; and (3) have a master's degree in nutrition, public health, or a closely related field.

Dr. Virginia C. Stage will serve as this position's primary contact and advisor. Please email Dr. Stage questions regarding the position (virginia_stage@ncsu.edu). Direct general questions about the Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences Graduate Programs to Dr. Wendy Warner (wjwarner@ncsu.edu).