

**Assistant Extension Educator-in-Residence
Water Resource Management**

*Department of Extension & Connecticut Sea Grant College Program
Middlesex County Extension Center, Haddam, CT*

The Department of Extension and Connecticut Sea Grant College Program are seeking applications for an Assistant Extension Educator-in-Residence position, which will be located at the Middlesex County Extension Center in Haddam, CT. The successful candidate will develop and conduct Extension outreach education programs for land use decision makers in Connecticut's communities, with a focus on sustainable water resource management. He/she will be the chief educator and manager of the *Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials* (NEMO) program, an award-winning educational program of the Center for Land Use Education and Research (CLEAR) that is a collaboration of the Department of Extension and Connecticut Sea Grant. Topics included in this program include sustainable land use planning approaches to stormwater management, low impact development techniques, and climate change-related water management issues. The Extension educator will be a faculty member in the Department of Extension, and a member of both the CLEAR and Connecticut Sea Grant teams. This position reports to the Head, Department of Extension, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Duties and Responsibilities: 1) Develop and implement Extension programs to provide information, education, and technical assistance to communities and other decision makers on the impacts of land use on water resource health. This work will include, but is not limited to: developing research results into Extension education programs and materials for land use decision makers and other audiences, including workshops (formal and informal), publications, and web information; evaluation of programs; and writing of grant proposals and project reports; 2) As part of the Sea Grant team, work closely with Sea Grant colleagues to ensure that NEMO programs meet Sea Grant goals for sustainable coastal development; 3) As part of the NEMO team, work in concert with the principals from other CLEAR programs to provide research-based information and education for land use decision makers; and 4) Work with University departments and officials to help implement ongoing, long-term on-campus water protection and low impact development (LID) projects and programs.

Minimum Qualifications: 1) An earned Master's in a field related to water resource management or land use planning; 2) a minimum of three years of experience in a field related to water resource management or land use planning; 3) experience in working with communities; 4) demonstrated superior communication skills, including public speaking and writing of educational materials; 5) strong interpersonal skills; 6) ability to work as an integral member of a diverse project team, but also to work independently; 7) proficiency at standard office word processing, spreadsheet and internet browsing software; 8) experience in writing and managing grants; and 9) experience in developing and delivering effective educational workshops and presentations. In addition, must have demonstrated ability and willingness to travel to meeting sites. Mileage reimbursement for work-related travel is reimbursed for personal vehicle use upon proof of insurability and valid driver's license. Ability to work a flexible schedule, including occasional evenings, is required to reach target audiences. Some out-of-state travel may also be necessary.

Preferred Qualifications: 1) Experience working directly with local land use officials on water resource issues, particularly stormwater related issues; 2) Familiarity with federal and state laws and regulatory programs related to water resource protection; 3) Familiarity with geographic information system (GIS), remote sensing, and web authoring technologies and software; 4) Familiarity with Cooperative Extension/Sea Grant Extension non-advocacy, research-based, educational programming.

Compensation is commensurate with educational background and experience. Health insurance is included in the benefits package. This is a grant funded, end-dated position subject to annual renewals, contingent on satisfactory performance and availability of funds. Initial appointment is 12 months.

For more information, refer to <http://clear.uconn.edu>, <http://www.seagrants.uconn.edu/> and <http://nemo.uconn.edu>.

To Apply: Send a cover letter with curriculum vita and contact information (including email addresses) for three professional references to: **Nancy Balcom, Connecticut Sea Grant College Program, University of Connecticut/Avery Point, 1080 Shennecossett Road, Groton, Connecticut 06340-6048** or email to: nancy.balcom@uconn.edu, telephone (860) 405-9107. Review of applications will begin March 19, 2010 and continue until the position is filled. **(Search # 2010302)**. We encourage applications from under-represented groups including minorities, women, and people with disabilities.