Position: **Full-time**

**Salary:** Commensurate with education and experience

**Benefits** include retirement plan and full coverage for family health insurance

**Location:** Minot, ND

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**Position Description and Responsibilities**

The Center Director will have administrative responsibilities to develop and maintain excellence in agricultural research on crop commodities important to the region and educational/outreach programs for the North Central Research Extension Center (NCREC), located near Minot, ND. The Center Director will provide leadership, supervision, and performance evaluations for Center staff and facilitate collaboration of the Center staff with other research and extension professionals in the NDSU system, agencies, organizations, and entities that aid agriculture, related industries, and economic activities in the region.

The Center Director will manage the Center's budget and coordinate budget development in conjunction with the Center Director of the North Dakota Agricultural experiment Station (AES), the NCREC Board of Visitors advisory board, and the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education. The Center Director will provide leadership in obtaining external, competitively funded research and/or educational awards, and develop collaborative projects important to the agricultural production systems and natural resources in the region. The Center Director also is expected to carry out research and outreach that is consistent with the AES mission and relevant to the region and the state.

The Center Director will provide leadership to the NCREC Foundation Seed Increase program, oversee seed conditioning to produce pure seed of adapted crop varieties for area growers, and generate Center income. The Center Director is expected to interact closely with producers, federal and other state agencies, extension staff, NDSU Departments and other research extension centers in the AES system, agribusiness companies, crop commodity organizations, and other local agencies to obtain input and feedback on program and outreach needs. The North Central Research Extension Center is one of seven out-state NDSU research extension centers. The center is located one mile south of Minot, North Dakota, a city of 50,000 in north central North Dakota. Minot is an All-American City with excellent health, educational, recreational, and community facilities and a modern international airport. The area is noted for small grain, oilseed, pulse crop, livestock, and energy production. More information about the area is available at [http://www.minotchamber.org/community/](http://www.minotchamber.org/community/).

**Minimum Qualifications**

- Earned M.S. degree in crop science or related field from an accredited institution;
- Documented experience in planning, designing, and implementing agricultural research for crops adapted to the Northern Great Plains;
- Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing, with scientists, producers, and other clientele associated with agriculture;
- Demonstrated ability and skills in leadership, fiscal management, organization, and building teamwork;
- Demonstrated success in obtaining extramural funding;
- Demonstrated ability to develop strong collaborations with other scientists, research extension centers, and/or agencies and organizations; and Commitment to the core mission of a land-grant university;
- Demonstrated ability working with diverse agricultural clientele, agri-business, local and state policy makers;
- Demonstrated ability to manage, supervise, and communicate effectively with employees;
- Knowledge of crop production, alternative crops, and diversified agriculture in the Northern Great Plains.

**Preferred Qualifications**

- Earned Ph.D. degree in crop science or related field from an accredited institution;
- Experience and understanding of administration and project development, and the application and use of information technology to further that mission;
- Extensive and documented experience as a leader of multidisciplinary research and outreach programs;
- Ability to work across distance to accomplish research and extension missions with the AES, the Extension Service, and other Research Extension Centers.