



- ✓ *Does the idea of building organizations and creating business partnerships excite you?*
- ✓ *Do you like teaming with experts and researchers in a progressive university environment?*

If YES, then The University of Arizona has a great Director-level opportunity for you.

Director, Maricopa Agricultural Center Experiment Station Unit

The **Director** is a professional position within the Arizona Experiment Station (AES). Experiment station units are university-owned assets located across the State whose purpose is to support research, education and public outreach. This position will lead Maricopa Agricultural Center (MAC), which is a 2,100 acre Unit located just outside the town of Maricopa, AZ. (<https://cals-mac.arizona.edu/>). Current research includes crop variety trials, integrated pest management, soil health, water conservation, and large-scale plant phenotyping with LiDAR (<https://news.arizona.edu/story/world-s-largest-robotic-field-scanner-now-place>). The **Director** has the authority and responsibility to manage and lead ~22 staff employees, and assist faculty and private users in implementing research and outreach activities. The Director is responsible for managing a ~\$2.5M annual operating budget, and for coordinating and collaborating with the other AES Unit leaders. The **Director** is also expected to develop new directions and opportunities for research, outreach, instruction, and development. Today, MAC is primarily agriculture-centric but can be expanded in new directions. These new directions can include partnerships with private and public groups outside the University as well as within the University.

The detailed position description and application procedure can be found at <https://arizona.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/4/home/requisition/9537?c=arizona>

The University of Arizona is the land grant university for the State of Arizona. The AES (<https://experimentstation.arizona.edu>) is comprised of 11 physical locations around the state and one virtual computing research station on Main Campus whose purpose and mission, respectively, is “To be the leading infrastructure in Arizona underpinning teaching, research and Cooperative Extension excellence,” and to “Provide a diverse world-class infrastructure essential to generating and disseminating critical knowledge and technologies for Arizona and the world.” This role of **Director** is critical to the success of the AES in meeting these goals.

The **Director** will develop a vision and plan for the Station’s future consistent with the University Strategic Plan (<https://strategicplan.arizona.edu/>). This will include working with faculty throughout Arizona’s public universities as well as diverse private sector entities.

Responsibilities Include:

- Support research and extension activities through effective facilities and operations management.
- Plan, lead, and monitor the completion of infrastructure, maintenance and building projects.
- Develop and implement entrepreneurial efforts to increase research growth.

Why the University of Arizona?

<https://talent.arizona.edu>

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