

# *Sponsored Programs Guidance “Cradle to Grave”*



**DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE**  
**RESEARCH & EXTENSION**

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## **History and Qualifications**

### **Sample Extension History and Qualifications**

***Extension History and Qualifications.*** The earliest Extension work on record in Arkansas is with the establishment of the Arkansas Industrial University (now the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville) in 1872, which was formed in accordance with the Morrill Act of 1862. The Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station, under the Hatch Act, became active in 1888. The first Cooperative Extension work conducted by the University of Arkansas was in 1905 when several Farmers’ Institutes were held, but this work was limited because of a small state appropriation. Since its beginning, the Cooperative Extension Service has worked to disseminate the research-based information from the University to the people of Arkansas.

The Cooperative Extension Service (CES) has an efficient system for taking research-based education to the people of Arkansas. As a mature organization with a history of educational outreach in all 75 counties of the state, CES has the system, human and technological capacity to continue developing and implementing successful training programs.

As an organization, CES has a long range goal of promoting individual, family, and community well-being in a time of social change. A subordinate goal is to increase skills related to caring for oneself, understanding children, motivating, nurturing and guiding them, and serving as advocates when needed. Target audiences include .....