POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #00013096

Title: Assistant or Associate Professor of Dairy Nutrition

Location: Department of Animal Sciences
University of Florida
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
Gainesville, Florida

Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Review Date: Review of application materials will begin on or before May 1, 2007 and will continue until the position is filled.

Duties and Responsibilities:
This is a 12-month, tenure-track position that will be 60% research and 40% extension in the Department of Animal Sciences, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, at the University of Florida. The person filling this position will be responsible for developing a strong research and extension program in dairy cattle nutrition and associated management schemes used by the Florida dairy industry. The research focus may include utilization and metabolism of nutrients, byproduct feeding, anaerobic microbiology, or other disciplines related to dairy cattle nutrition. The person filling this position will be expected to recruit and advise graduate students, develop a nationally and internationally recognized research program, publish findings in peer-reviewed journals, and obtain extramural funding. The extension program will focus on developing and communicating up-to-date feeding recommendations to dairy cattle nutritionists and dairy producers with particular emphasis on diets suitable for subtropical conditions. The individual will participate and/or coordinate extension educational programs including the Florida Ruminant Nutrition Symposium.

Qualifications
An earned Ph.D. in Animal or Dairy Science or a related discipline is required. Postdoctoral experience is recommended but not required. Candidates also will have demonstrated skills in verbal and written communication and interpersonal relationships. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Land-Grant system. Candidates must also have a commitment to IFAS core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability.

Background Information

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The Florida dairy industry ranks 15th nationally in dairy cow numbers with the average farm owning 730 cows. Dairy production comprises 29% of all Florida livestock cash receipts with nearly all milk produced going to meet fluid demands. Some special challenges to Florida dairies include heat-stress management, quality forage production, byproduct feed utilization, and nutrient management for environmental compatibility. Florida’s increasing human population will continue to keep demand for fluid milk high.

The University of Florida (http://www.ufl.edu) is a Land-Grant and Sea-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 50,000 students. UF is a member of The Association of American Universities. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) (http://ifas.ufl.edu) includes the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (http://cals.ufl.edu), the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station (http://research.ifas.ufl.edu), the College of Veterinary Medicine (http://www.vetmed.ufl.edu), the Florida Cooperative Extension Service (http://extension.ifas.ufl.edu), and encompasses 15 academic departments and the School of Forest Resources and Conservation, 9 interdisciplinary centers, 13 research and educational centers throughout the state, and Cooperative Extension units in each of Florida's 67 counties and the Seminole Tribe. The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. IFAS employs over 3400 people, which includes approximately 950 faculty and 2450 support personnel located in Gainesville and throughout the state. IFAS, one of the nation’s largest agricultural and natural resources research and education organizations, is administered by a Senior Vice President and four deans: the Dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, the Dean for Extension and Director of the Florida Cooperative Extension Service, the Dean for Research and Director of the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine. UF/IFAS also engages in cooperative work with Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

**Employment Conditions**

This position is available July 1, 2007 and will be filled as soon thereafter as an acceptable applicant is available. Compensation is commensurate with the education, experience, and qualifications of the selected applicant.

**Nominations and Applications**

Both nominations and applications are welcome. Nominations need to include the complete name and address of the nominee.

Individuals wishing to apply should submit the following materials:
- Letter of application that states applicant’s interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above;
- Complete vita (which includes statement of current position and responsibilities);
• Official transcript documenting awarding of the Ph.D. degree, if completed.
• A minimum of three letters of reference sent directly to the Search and Screen Committee Chair.

Review of application materials will begin on or before May 1, 2007, and will continue until a qualified applicant is identified. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

**Contact Information and Application and Nomination Submission Information**

Please refer to Position # 00013096
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