POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT # 0001-4702

Title: Assistant Professor
     Food and Resource Economics

Location: Food and Resource Economics Department
          University of Florida
          Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
          Gainesville, FL  32611-0240

Salary: COMMENSURATE WITH QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

Position Open To: Formal review of applications will begin on February 1, 2007 and continue until
                 the position is filled.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
This is a 12-month tenure-accruing position that will be 60% research (Florida Agricultural Experiment
Station) and 40% teaching (College of Agricultural & Life Sciences) available in the Food and Resource
Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida. This
assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit. Tenure will accrue in the Food and
Resource Economics Department. Duties will include teaching graduate and/or undergraduate courses
and developing a research program in the area of applied econometrics and labor economics. The faculty
member will actively participate in graduate education by chairing graduate committees, serving on
graduate committees, supervising thesis and dissertation research, and publishing the results with their
graduate students. The faculty member will seek contract and grant funding actively to support his/her
program area. All IFAS faculty are expected to demonstrate commitment and responsibility to the three
functions of the Land Grant mission.

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS:
A Ph.D. in agricultural economics or a closely related discipline is required. Postdoctoral experience
and/or experience teaching econometrics is desirable. Candidates should have demonstrated skills in
verbal and written communication, interpersonal relationships, and procurement of extramural funding.
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.

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Background Information:
The Department of Food and Resource Economics has 32 faculty members and 35 support staff and post-doc positions in Gainesville and 8 faculty members and two support staff positions at seven research and extension centers throughout the State. Teaching, research and extension programs reflect the diversity of Florida’s agriculture and natural resource-based industry, which produces over 250 commodities commercially, more than 50 of which can be considered major commodities. Departmental programs encompass agricultural production, marketing, policy, natural resources, community and rural development and international trade and development. The Department has approximately 400 upper division undergraduate majors on campus and an expanding undergraduate enrollment in distance education programs at an increasing number of locations across the State. The graduate program includes Ph.D. and thesis and non-thesis master’s degree programs, as well as the Master of Agribusiness degree. Current graduate student enrollment is approximately 85 students.

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 48,000 students. UF is a member of The Association of American Universities. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (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 Florida Cooperative Extension Service (http://extension.ifas.ufl.edu), the College of Veterinary Medicine (http://www.vetmed.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

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credentials listed above;
• Complete vita (which includes statement of current position and responsibilities);
• Official transcript showing receipt of the doctoral degree;
• Evidence of quality teaching
• The names and contact information for three individuals from whom you have requested letters of recommendation (to be sent directly to the address listed below).

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

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

Please refer to Position # **0001-4702**

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