POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant Professor in Food Science
Department of Animal and Food Sciences
College of Agriculture, Food and Environment
Lexington, Kentucky

The Department of Animal and Food Sciences invites applications for an Assistant Professor in Food Sciences position, 12-month tenure track (approximately 70% research, 30% instruction), which will support the foods research and instruction missions of the department.

Job Description: The Department of Animal & Food Sciences is seeking a highly motivated and innovative individual to contribute to an established Food Science program. The successful candidate will need to demonstrate the ability to establish a nationally recognized and extramurally funded research program in value-added food processing, food sensory attributes, functional foods or a closely related area. The successful candidate must also demonstrate the ability to fulfill the Food Science programs commitment to preparing students via classroom and laboratory instruction in courses that cover all prevalent areas of food processing. Participation with other faculty in further strengthening the IFT-accredited food science program is a key component of this position. Responsibilities include teaching undergraduate and graduate level food science courses and advising undergraduate students. The area of Food Systems has been designated as a Target of Opportunity by the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to work with the University of Kentucky’s Food Systems Innovation Center to provide applied research solutions and technical services to Kentucky's food businesses.

Qualifications: Ph.D. in Food Science or a closely related field with a strong background in food chemistry and post-harvest biochemistry of foods. Excellent oral and written English communication skills; enthusiasm for teaching and advising food science students; strong commitment to food science student recruitment and food science club activities; demonstrated record or potential for obtaining nationally competitive extramural grant funding and publishing in peer-reviewed scientific journals. The ability to work in collaborative environments with other research faculty, commercial producers, and public, private and governmental agencies is important.

Applications: Applications will be accepted until suitable candidates are identified. To apply, a UK Employment Application must be submitted through the UK Jobs website at https://ukjobs.uky.edu. To apply for Requisition # FE00671, submit a UK Academic Profile at http://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/116936. Applications should include a letter of interest, including a statement of your research and instruction interests, curriculum vitae, and names and contact information for three references. If you have questions about the application process, contact HR/Employment, phone 859-257-9555, option 2. Direct other inquiries to Dr. Luke Boatright, Search Committee Chair, Department of Animal and Food Sciences, University of Kentucky, 412 W.P. Garrigus Bldg., Lexington, KY 40546-0215. Phone: 859-257-5988. E-mail: luke.boatright@uky.edu

The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment is an equal opportunity organization and welcomes applications from women and minorities.