

FACULTY POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

SPECIALIST IN COOPERATIVE EXTENSION IN Feedlot Management in the Department of Animal Science, University of California, Davis

Title: Assistant Specialist in Cooperative Extension – Feedlot Management Specialist, Department of Animal Science, UC Davis Campus.

The Department of Animal Science, internationally recognized as a premier center of excellence in research, teaching, and extension, is seeking applications for a Specialist in Cooperative Extension (CE) at the Assistant rank in the field of Feedlot Management. One mission of the Department of Animal Science is to develop and disseminate comprehensive basic and applied knowledge associated with feedlot management in the context of beef and sheep production systems. A Cooperative Extension (CE) Specialist is being recruited to conduct to develop an extension education and outreach program that extends Feedlot Management information to various clientele (e.g., commercial feedlot operators, state and federal agencies, beef and sheep producer organizations and individuals, and the general public), including under-represented groups. The successful candidate must possess the ability to conduct original applied research resulting in information that can be applied toward the advancement of beef or sheep production in the context of feedlot management and sustainability. The successful candidate will bring visibility and leadership to campus- and county-based CE academics and other researchers and educators involved in the study of beef or sheep production. Extension outreach activities and research will be integrated with UC Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR), county-based CE academics and clientele as well as campus-based CE and other ladder rank faculty. The appointee will be a faculty member of the Department of Animal Science in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at the University of California, Davis and be stationed at the Desert Research and Extension Center in Holtville, CA. Advising and mentoring of graduate students is expected.

Responsibilities: This is a full time, career-track appointment that includes the expectation that the appointee will engage in extension education and outreach and conduct mission-oriented research that advances the mission of the Department of Animal Science and ANR. The focus of this position will be on feedlot management. By developing reciprocal and mutually beneficial relationships with colleagues and with various stakeholders, the candidate should become a knowledgeable partner who can provide reliable information and build research-informed networks to address issues of regional and statewide importance in the state of California.

Extension Teaching: A person in this position is expected to provide leadership as a liaison between campus-based researchers, CE campus and county based academics, and clientele and colleague groups such as feedlot operators, ruminant nutritionists, and agency personnel involved with concentrated animal feeding operations. This will include providing information to clientele through print publications, web-based resources and in-person presentations, and serving as a resource for other CE academics.

Applied Research: The successful candidate will conduct and publish applied research related to feedlot management in such areas as, but not limited to: nutrition, economics, behavior, and/or environmental effects of animals in feedlots.

Professional Competence and Activity: The candidate will be expected to participate in professional society activities including presenting papers at national and international meetings; reviewing manuscripts and grant proposals in his/her area of expertise; and establishing productive working

relationships with scientists and extension personnel in California, other states and internationally. The goal would be to gain national and international recognition for scholarly contributions to the science and practices of feedlot management, as he/she advances to the higher ranks in the UC system.

Qualifications: Ph.D. degree in the biological sciences related to Animal Science, animal nutrition, or other closely related discipline impacting Feedlot Management is required. Demonstrated knowledge and/or background of beef or sheep production systems is required, with knowledge of beef production systems being preferred. The successful candidate must have a record that documents productivity, or potential, in research as evidenced by publications in peer-reviewed journals and the potential to secure extra-mural funding.

Salary: Commensurate with experience.

Appointment Date: Applications will be reviewed with the expectation that the appointee will be available for service on or soon after November 1, 2019.

Applications: Applications should be submitted on-line at <http://recruit.ucdavis.edu/>. Additional inquiries should be directed to Dr. James Oltjen (jwoltjen@ucdavis.edu, (530) 752-5650).

Applicants should submit: Curriculum Vitae including publication list; a statement of extension and research interests and goals; a summary or abstract of the Ph.D. dissertation; copies or links to recent relevant publications; and names, addresses including e-mail, and telephone numbers of at least three references. The position will remain open until filled. To ensure consideration, applications should be received by September 15, 2019.

UC Davis is an affirmative action/equal employment opportunity employer and is dedicated to recruiting a diverse faculty community. We welcome all qualified applicants to apply, including women, minorities, veterans, and individuals with disabilities.