

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT # 00014989
REQUISITION # 42213

Title: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Location: FOOD AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES (IFAS)
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Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Review Date: For full consideration, candidates should apply and submit additional materials by February 1, 2019. The position will open until a viable applicant pool is determined.

Duties and Responsibilities

This is a 9-month tenure-accruing position that will be 70% extension (Florida Cooperative Extension Service) and 30% research (Florida Agricultural Experiment Station) available in the Food and Resource Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, at the University of Florida, funded by the Florida Sea Grant College Program (FSG). The faculty member will develop an applied research and extension program to address a wide range of economics issues related to marine resource utilization and management, marine resource-based industries (including but not limited to fisheries, aquaculture, and seafood trade), and the associated natural resources, communities, and consumers in Florida and the Gulf of Mexico/South Atlantic region. This assignment might change in accordance with the needs of the unit. Tenure will accrue in the Food and Resource Economics Department.

The faculty member will participate actively in undergraduate and graduate education by chairing graduate committees, serving on graduate committees, supervising thesis and dissertation research, supervising undergraduate research, and publishing the results with his/her graduate students. Faculty are encouraged to participate in professional development activities. The faculty member will seek contract and grant funding actively to support his/her program. The faculty member will engage in Extension activities in his or her program area. This position is also defined as the Marine Economics Specialist with the Florida Sea Grant Program. As such, a major component of this person's work will be leading an extension program that is

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integrated with Florida Sea Grant Extension, its strategic priorities, its affiliated extension faculty around the state, and needs of the program's clientele. As the need arises, this person might also be asked to provide expertise to the Florida Sea Grant program related to evaluating its program outcomes and impacts, with requisite federal funding provided by the program for that work.

Because of the IFAS Land-Grant & Sea Grant missions, all faculty are expected to be supportive of and engaged in research, teaching, and extension—regardless of the assignment split specified in the position description.

Qualifications

Required:

A doctorate (foreign equivalent acceptable) in agricultural economics, applied economics, natural resource or environmental economics, or a closely related discipline is required. 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 & Sea Grant system. Candidates must also have a commitment to IFAS core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability. Applicants should possess excellent communication and quantitative skills, and the motivation to work in multidisciplinary teams.

Background Information:

The Food and Resource Economics Department (FRED) has approximately 30 faculty members, 10 support staff positions in Gainesville, and six faculty members spread across 5 research and education centers throughout the state. FRED faculty teach a wide variety of courses, from agribusiness marketing, to natural resource/environmental economics, to welfare economics and trade theory. FRED averages approximately 300 undergraduate majors/year, and 60-80 M.S., Ph.D., and Master of Agribusiness students. Research and Extension efforts reflect both the needs of the State and the mission of the Agricultural Economics profession.

The Florida Sea Grant (FSG) College Program is one of 33 Sea Grant Programs nationwide that together form the National Sea Grant College Program, as authorized by Federal legislation under the Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). FSG operates through a statewide university-based research, education, and extension partnership of state and federal agencies, local governments, businesses, and residents. A total of 18 Florida universities and research laboratories participate in the Program through competitive research and student scholarships and fellowships. The Florida Sea Grant Extension Program (FSGEP) is a statewide marine and coastal outreach program with administrative offices at the University of Florida (UF) in Gainesville, Florida. The FSGEP faculty consists of 20 county-based Sea Grant extension agents and staff and eight specialists with expertise in the areas of aquaculture, marine economics, seafood technology, waterways management, fish habitat and artificial reefs, water and coastal law, and climate change and sea level rise. Extension programs are coordinated with FSG research activities in four major program areas, which include: healthy coastal environments; sustainable fisheries and aquaculture; resilient communities and economies; and environmental literacy and workforce development.

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The University of Florida (<http://www.ufl.edu>) is a Land-Grant, Sea-Grant, and Space-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 53,000 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 the Florida Sea Grant program (<http://www.flseagrant.org/>), and encompasses 16 on-campus academic departments and schools, 12 Research and Educational Centers (REC) located throughout the state, 6 Research sites/demonstration units administered by RECs or academic departments, and Florida Cooperative Extension Service offices in all 67 counties (counties operate and maintain). The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. IFAS employs over 2500 people, which includes approximately 900 faculty and 1200 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 August 15, 2019, 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

Nominations are welcome. Nominations need to include the complete name and address of the nominee. This information should be sent to:

Please refer to Requisition # 42213
Dr. Christa Court
Chair, Search and Screen Committee
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Food and Resource Economics Department
PO Box 110240
Gainesville, FL 32611-0240

Telephone: 352-294-7675
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Application Information

- Individuals wishing to apply should go online to <http://apply.interfolio.com/58900> and submit:

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- Cover letter that states applicant's interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above
- Curriculum vitae
- Unofficial transcripts
- Research/Extension statement
- Up to three recent journal and/or extension articles that the candidate deems important to the discipline, and that will help the search committee evaluate the scholarly work
- Names and contact information of three people who will be asked to provide letters of recommendation, or who will be contacted by email or telephone

Selected candidate will be required to provide an official transcript to the hiring department upon hire. A transcript will not be considered "official" if a designation of "Issued to Student" is visible. Degrees earned from an education institution outside of the United States are required to be evaluated by a professional credentialing service provider approved by [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services \(NACES\)](#).

If an accommodation due to a disability is needed to apply for this position, please call 352-392-2477 or the Florida Relay System at 800-955-8771 (TDD). Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the US. Searches are conducted in accordance with Florida's Sunshine Law.

The [University of Florida](#) is an Equal Opportunity Institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. The [Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences](#) is committed to creating an environment that affirms diversity across a variety of dimensions, including ability, class, ethnicity/race, gender identity and expression. We particularly welcome applicants who can contribute to such an environment through their scholarship, teaching, mentoring, and professional service. The University and greater Gainesville community enjoy a diversity of cultural events, restaurants, year-round outdoor recreational activities, and social opportunities.

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