Assistant Professor in Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

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Recruitment Period

Open date: January 18th, 2019

Next review date: February 18th, 2019 - Apply by this date to ensure full consideration.

Final date: April 30th, 2019 - Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

Description

As part of a campus-wide initiative to hire leading research faculty with a strong commitment to teaching, research and service that will promote the success of underrepresented minority students (African-American, Latino (a)/Chicano (a)/Hispanic, and Native American) and address the needs of our increasingly diverse state, UC Davis announces an assistant professor faculty position in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. Applications are encouraged from candidates with a strong disciplinary background in any current or emerging area that will fit within one of our departments in the agricultural, environmental, and human/social sciences arenas:

- Agriculture & Resource Economics
- Animal Science
- Biological & Agricultural Engineering
- Entomology & Nematology
- Environmental Science & Policy
- Environmental Toxicology
- Food Science & Technology
- Human Ecology
- Land, Air & Water Resources
- Nutrition
- Plant Pathology
- Plant Sciences
- Viticulture & Enology
- Wildlife, Fish & Conservation Biology


In addition to a strong record of research and teaching excellence, the successful candidate will demonstrate an understanding of the barriers preventing full participation of underrepresented minorities in higher education. The successful candidate also will have an accomplished track record (calibrated to career stage) of teaching, research or service activities addressing the needs of underrepresented minorities, and a clearly articulated vision of how their work
at UC Davis will continue to contribute to the University’s mission of serving the needs of our diverse state and student population. Applicants’ track record of engagement and activity related to diversity, equal opportunity, and inclusion as well as their plans for future engagement will be a significant part of the overall evaluation of the candidate’s qualifications for a faculty appointment.

Qualifications are as follows:

**Minimum Qualifications**

- Ph.D. or equivalent in agricultural, environmental, and human/social sciences or related discipline awarded by time of hire.

**Additional Qualifications**

We desire applicants who have identified strengths and experiences in the following areas:

- Excellence in research that complements or extends existing research strengths in the college and the potential to attract extramural funding.
- Evidence of commitment to or strong potential for commitment to the advancement of diversity, equity, and inclusion for underrepresented minority students and groups (African-American, Latino (a)/Chicano (a)/Hispanic, and Native American), and how this commitment integrates with teaching, research, and service.
- Commitment to excellence in teaching. Must demonstrate potential or evidence of ability to perform well at both graduate and undergraduate levels and to develop and teach undergraduate and graduate courses or seminars.

Appointment will be as an academic year (9-month) tenure-track Assistant Professor. Applicants must have earned a Ph.D. or equivalent in agricultural, environmental, and human/social sciences or related discipline awarded by time of hire. Participation in department, college, and university service is an expectation under our faculty shared governance model.

**Application Requirements**

We strongly recommend that all candidates visit our website dedicated to this search for additional information about how their application materials, including their Statement of Contributions to Diversity, will be used by the Search Committee in our screening and review process. The link is [https://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/advancing-faculty-diversity-pilot-project](https://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/advancing-faculty-diversity-pilot-project).

For full consideration applications must be completed by February 18, 2019; the position will remain open until filled through April 30, 2019. Application packages should be submitted online through [https://recruit.ucdavis.edu/apply/JPF02608](https://recruit.ucdavis.edu/apply/JPF02608) and should include the following documents: current Curriculum Vitae, cover letter, Research Statement, Statement of Contributions to Diversity, Statement of Teaching Accomplishments and Philosophy, and 3-6 letters of recommendation.

**Our Commitment**

Diversity, equity, and inclusion are core values of the University of California, Davis. Our excellence in research, teaching, and service can best be fully realized by faculty who share our commitment to these values, which are included in our recently developed Diversity and Inclusion Strategic Vision, our new strategic plan: “To Boldly Go,” our Principles of Community, the Office of Academic Affairs Mission Statement, and the UC Board of Regents Policy 4400: Policy on University of California Diversity Statement.

**The University**

UC Davis is the home of the Aggies — go-getters, change makers and problem solvers who make their mark at one of the top public universities in the United States. Since we first opened in 1908, we’ve been known for standout academics,
sustainability and Aggie Pride as well as valuing the Northern California lifestyle. These themes are woven into our 100-plus-year history and our reputation for solving problems related to food, health, the environment and society.

The University of California, Davis, has been recognized in the Times Higher Education World Reputation rankings for 2018, ranking 47th among the 100 top ranked universities by reputation. UC Davis was ranked 42nd out of 18,000 universities worldwide in the 2018-19 Center for World University Rankings, the largest academic ranking of global universities. UC Davis is ranked 5th nationally by the Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education and 10th nationally by US News and World Report among U.S. public universities overall and for research funding. And Forbes Magazine named UC Davis the #1 university in its list of “The 13 Most Important STEM Colleges for Women.” It is home to four colleges and six professional schools, 99 graduate programs, and receives over $700 million annually in research funding. In addition, 44% of our fall 2017 undergraduates are first generation students, and UC Davis is expected to become a Hispanic Serving Institution in 2019.

UC Davis is known for its commitment to the environment, locally and globally. You can see it in our teaching, research and dedication to sustainability on our own campus. The university is ranked first in the world for campus sustainability practices by the 2017 UI GreenMetric World University Rankings. We are ranked 3rd among top U.S. colleges for "doing the most for the American Dream" for our commitment to economic diversity (College Access Index, New York Times 2017).

Our 5,300-acre campus is in the city of Davis, a vibrant college town of about 68,000 situated in a beautiful pastoral setting. Livability.com ranks Davis the 3rd "Best City to Live in for STEM Workers" and 18th among the "Top 100 Best Places to Live" in the country. The University’s student population is approximately 35,500. The campus lies 14 miles west of Sacramento (the State capital), 72 miles northeast of San Francisco, 47 miles to the east of the famed Napa Valley and wine country, and 110 miles southwest of Lake Tahoe and the Sierras. The San Francisco Bay Area is home to multiple world-class research and academic institutions providing additional collaborative opportunities.

UC Davis supports family-friendly recruitments. UC Davis covers travel expenses for a second person to accompany an invited faculty recruitment candidate who is a mother (or single parent of either gender) of a breast or bottle-feeding child less than two years of age. More information is available at http://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/programs/work-life/index.html.

The UC Davis Partner Opportunities Program (POP) (https://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/partner-opportunities-program-pop) and Capital Resource Network (https://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/capital-resource-network) are services designed to support departments and deans offices in the recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty. Eligibility for POP services is limited, for full program details please visit the website. For questions regarding how these policies/programs affect academic appointees, contact Faculty Relations and Development at (530) 752-7643.

UC Davis recognizes the necessity of supporting faculty with efforts to integrate work, family and other work-life considerations. To recruit and retain the best faculty, the campus sponsors a Work-Life Program that provides programs and services that support faculty as they strive to honor their commitments to work, home and community. See https://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/work-life.

UC Davis is a smoke- and tobacco-free campus effective January 1, 2014. Smoking, the use of smokeless tobacco products, and the use of unregulated nicotine products (e-cigarettes) are strictly prohibited on any property owned or leased by UC Davis -- indoors and outdoors, including parking lots and residential space.

We are an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer, and particularly encourage applications from members of historically underrepresented racial/ethnic groups, women, individuals with disabilities, veterans, LGBTQ community members, and others who demonstrate the ability to help us achieve our vision of a diverse and inclusive community. For the complete University of California nondiscrimination and affirmative action policy see: https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/4000376/DiscHarassAffirmAction. If you need accommodation due to a disability, please contact the recruiting college.
Under Federal law, the University of California may employ only individuals who are legally able to work in the United States as established by providing documents as specified in the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. Certain positions funded by federal contracts or sub-contracts require the selected candidate to pass an E-Verify check. More information is available at https://www.e-verify.gov/.

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