

Assistant Professor - Food Retailing and Consumer Behavior

This assistant professor (tenure-system) position with a 9 month appointment is located in the Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics at Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, and is available immediately.

Position Description:

We seek candidates who will develop an outstanding research and teaching program in food retailing and consumer behavior. The research focus will depend on the expertise and interests of the successful candidate but might include areas such as consumer retail demand behavior, food retail strategies and management. The candidate may also have expertise in various aspects of the food supply chain, including the economics, efficiency, and/or safety of the food supply chain. Responsibilities include teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in food and consumer economics and management; conducting research in the candidate's area of expertise; disseminating research in respected refereed journals; attracting external funding for research; directing graduate student research; participating in course and curriculum development; and being actively involved with industry and relevant professional associations. The salary is negotiable and commensurate with past experience.

Ph.D. in economics, agricultural and/or resource economics, applied economics, retailing, marketing, management information systems, or closely related field. Evidence of high probability of success for publishing in respected refereed journals, superior communication and interpersonal skills necessary to be an effective instructor, and relevant professional business/industry experience are all highly desirable.

Applications are due January 30, 2009 and late submissions will be considered if a suitable candidate pool is not identified by the deadline.

Application material should include a letter of application detailing qualifications and interests in Food Retailing and Consumer Behavior, CV, transcripts and three letters of reference. Send material electronically to Dr. Steven D. Hanson, Chairperson, Dept. of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics. E-mail: aec@msu.edu; phone: 517-355-4567.

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