

Position Announcement

TITLE: Assistant Professor in Economics.

POSITION LOCATION: Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics, North Dakota State University, Fargo.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: Tenure track, 80% teaching, 20% research, academic year appointment.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The successful candidate will be expected to develop leadership in the department's teaching and research programs in economics. Teaching responsibilities at the undergraduate level will be in principles and intermediate economic theory (microeconomics and/or macroeconomics) and senior-level courses in areas of candidate's expertise. Teaching responsibilities at the graduate level will be in microeconomic theory or related areas. All teaching assignments will depend upon the needs of the department. An effective research program will be expected to contribute to department's focus areas within applied economics. Faculty evaluations in the department are based on effective teaching and advising at both the undergraduate and graduate levels; successful publication in leading disciplinary journals; active participation in professional activities; satisfactory service to the department, university, state, and profession; and successful pursuit of extramural funding sufficient to support an active research program.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Minimum requirements include:

1. an earned Ph.D. in economics or agricultural economics by date of appointment;
2. expertise in methods necessary to conduct high-quality research;
3. effective oral communication skills;
4. effective written communication skills

Preferred qualifications:

1. evidence of teaching effectiveness;
2. ability to publish research results in professional journals;
3. ability to obtain extramural support for research activities

SALARY AND RANK: The position offers a competitive salary and benefits package.

POSITION AVAILABLE: August 16, 2009. APPLICATION DEADLINE: Screening of applicants will begin February 15th, 2009 and continue until a suitable candidate is found.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: Candidates for this position should send a letter of application including a statement of principal qualifications and interests, transcripts of all university work, samples of research publications, and letters of reference from three professional colleagues familiar with the candidate's qualifications. Candidates should also include a one-page essay about teaching philosophy, including any approaches for online delivery and/or diversity initiatives as well as a one-page essay about research philosophy, including any approaches for diversity initiatives and/or pedagogical research. Questions may be directed to Dr. Robert Herren, Chair of the Search Committee, Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics, North Dakota State University, Fargo, North Dakota, 58105-5636. Electronic submission of application materials to ?????????? is required.

A full position description can be viewed at:

http://www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/jobs/non_broadbanded/index.shtml

About the Department, the University, and the Region

The Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics has developed strong regional support for the excellence of its teaching, research, and outreach programs. The Department is composed of 18 tenure-track faculty, 5 research professors, and 10 lecturers and research or Extension specialists. Research strengths are found in international trade, agribusiness, and agricultural economics. Faculty in the Department are actively involved in interdisciplinary research and teaching, especially in collaboration with the Great Plains Institute of Food Safety, the School of Natural Resource Sciences, and the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute. The Department currently offers three undergraduate majors (Economics, Agricultural Economics, and Agribusiness) and two M.S. degrees (Agribusiness and Applied Economics and International Agribusiness). The Department is currently developing a joint Ph.D. with the College of Business and currently contributes to several interdisciplinary Ph.D. programs at North Dakota State University. In summer 2009, the Department will be co-located with the College of Business in a newly renovated and expanded facility, Barry Hall, which is located on the downtown campus.

North Dakota State University is the Land Grant University for North Dakota. Recent improvements in research activities have elevated the University's research rankings and increased research budgets through greater success in attaining extramural funding. Extensive engagement with agribusiness firms, both domestic and international, are encouraged. Approximately 13,000 students attend NDSU with enrollment expected to grow to 16,000.

Fargo-Moorhead enjoys one of the strongest economies of the Upper Midwest. Growth is driven by financial services, technology and software firms, agricultural manufacturing and food processing, and retailing. Fargo-Moorhead is the largest metropolitan area between Minneapolis and Spokane, Washington. In the past few years, several magazines have proclaimed Fargo-Moorhead as one of the most stress-free metropolitan areas in America. "Quality of Life" is one of the most often-repeated phrases that people use when describing the region. The Fargo-Moorhead community has many qualities that contribute to this reputation, including an excellent K-12 educational system, three universities (NDSU, Minnesota State University-Moorhead, and Concordia College), advanced medical technology, a progressive business community, clean air and water, and a low cost of living relative to comparable metropolitan areas. A recent study by the Lung Association ranked Fargo as one of two U.S. cities with the cleanest air. Fargo-Moorhead is a bustling and active metropolitan area of approximately 180,000 people offering a wide variety of outdoor recreational activities, as well as an active and diverse visual and performing arts community.

NDSU is an equal opportunity institution. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

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