



**Assistant/Associate Professor of Agricultural
Business and Economics**
Department of Agricultural Sciences
Canyon, Texas

West Texas A&M University, a Member of The Texas A&M University System, invites applications for the position of Assistant/Associate Professor of Agricultural Business and Economics. This is a nine-month, tenure track position that reports to the Head of the Department of Agricultural Sciences. WTAMU is a four-year academic institution of 7,500 students serving the Panhandle of Texas and portions of four adjacent states. This geographic region is noted for its agricultural production and related businesses. The Department of Agricultural Sciences offers two Bachelor of Science degrees relating to agricultural economics and agribusiness: a B.S. degree is in Agricultural Business and Economics, and a B.S. Degree is in Agribusiness. A Master of Science degree is also offered in Agricultural Business and Economics. A Master of Business Administration degree with an Agriculture emphasis is offered by the College of Business. The Department also offers a Ph.D. in Systems Agriculture. More than 150 students are enrolled in the Department's agricultural economics and agribusiness programs with about 500 students enrolled in the Department of Agricultural Sciences.

Qualifications

- Ph.D. in agricultural economics, economics, agribusiness, or closely related field.
- Demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and service.
- Commitment to a systems and interdisciplinary approach to research and educational programs.
- Excellent computer, written and oral communication skills.
- Working knowledge of crop and livestock industries.
- Interpersonal skills, vision, and desire to establish working relationships with external constituents.

Responsibilities

- Develop a strong teaching program in the agricultural economics/agribusiness area with emphasis in production and resource management, financial analysis, and marketing.
- Develop and deliver upper level undergraduate and graduate online courses.
- Develop a research program in an area of agriculture economics/agribusiness that will lead to solutions for problems faced by the agribusiness industry of the Texas High Plains with the potential to attract extramural funding.
- Work closely with agribusiness industry leaders in assessing regional teaching, research, and service needs.
- Develop interactive programs with scientists, engineers, and veterinarians in other agencies, universities and the agriculture industry of the Texas High Plains.

Closing Date: September 1, 2009 or until suitable candidate is identified. Position is available for Spring 2010 semester. Salary and benefits are competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. Potential for summer salary from teaching and/or extramural research funding is possible. Electronic applications are encouraged. Applicants should provide a letter of interest, official transcripts, resume, and a statement of current and future research interests. Also, applicant should arrange for at least three letters of reference to be sent to:

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