

Assistant 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 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 located in the Texas Panhandle, one of the largest cattle feeding areas in the world (6 million head annually), and one of the most prolific crop-producing areas in the world, (14 million acres of cultivated cropland), both of which are multi-billion dollars industries. The highest total value crops in the region are wheat, corn, ensilage, hay, sorghum and cotton. The position will focus on the various aspects of agricultural economics including but not limited to management, marketing, finance, policy, trade, and retail sales and will provide support to the current academic track to increase the enrollment at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. WTAMU is a four-year academic institution with more than 9,000 students including more than 1,150 students in the department granting Bachelor, Master of Science, Master of Agriculture, and Doctoral degrees. The department offers the following degrees related to the discipline: B.S. degree in Agribusiness, B.S. degree in Agricultural Business and Economics, M.S. in Agriculture with an emphasis in Agricultural Business and Economics, M.Ag, and a Ph.D. in Systems Agriculture.

Qualifications

- Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics, Economics, Agribusiness or closely related field
- Demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and service
- Working knowledge and experience in crop and livestock industries
- Academic or industry experience beyond the Ph.D. is preferred
- Commitment to an interdisciplinary team approach to education and research
- Interpersonal skills, and desire to establish working relationships with external constituents in the allied agriculture industries
- Demonstrated experience in securing external funding and scholarly publication
- Excellent written and oral communication skills

Responsibilities

- Teach a minimum of 9 hours per long semester. Teaching opportunities may include face-to-face and/or online formats.
- Contribute to a strong teaching program in the agricultural economics/agribusiness area with emphasis in at least one of the following areas: production and resource management, finance, international trade, policy, or management.
- Develop a research program in an area of agricultural economics/agribusiness.
- Secure extramural funding for research and scholarly activities.
- Advise M.S. and Ph.D. graduate students in various areas of Agricultural Business and Economics.
- Publish research findings and syntheses in refereed journals.
- Develop collaborative programs with scientists in other agencies, universities, and the agriculture industry.
- Develop strong industry relationships with agribusiness professionals in the region/state.
- Foster employment opportunities for both undergraduate and graduate students.
- Other duties as assigned.

Instructions

For additional questions or information regarding this position, please contact:

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West Texas A&M University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action/Veterans/Disability Employer. Texas law requires that males age 18 through 25 be properly registered with the Selective Service System in order to be eligible for employment. Applicants are subject to a criminal history investigation, and employment is contingent upon the institution's verification of credentials and/or other information required by the institution's procedures, including the completion of the criminal history check. West Texas A&M University, The Paul Engler College of Agriculture and Natural Sciences, and the Department of Agricultural Sciences are committed to hiring the person most qualified for this position with equal treatment and access for all applicants, including affirmative action for women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and veterans. We will not discriminate in employment opportunities or practices on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including sexual orientation, gender identity or expression and pregnancy), national origin, age (40 or older), disability, veteran status, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by law.