



Equine Extension Specialist and Assistant Professor

**Department of Animal Science
Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources
Oklahoma State University**

Position Description: The Department of Animal Science at Oklahoma State University is seeking applicants for an 11-month, tenure-track position (80% extension, 20% teaching) which carries the expectation for excellence in extension, teaching, advising, scholarship, and grantsmanship commensurate with the land grant mission at Oklahoma State University. Primary job responsibilities will include equine programming leadership for the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service that will serve an array of clientele interests and activities as well as resident instruction in equine courses in the Department of Animal Science. Extension activities may include: providing research-based information and training to horse owners and organizations to support the horse-owning public and related agricultural businesses; organization and support of county, area, and district Extension staff; support programs for 4-H and other youth equine activities; service to horse industry organizations; and support of other departmental activities appropriate to the position, including contribution to scholarship, grantsmanship, and sponsorship. This position will serve as a resource for applied research efforts at OSU related to equine production and management.

Qualifications: Requirements include: a Ph.D. in Animal Science, Equine Science, or other terminal degree in a related field, with demonstrated ability and desire to contribute to extension, teaching, and scholarship. Preference will be given to individuals with good oral and written communication skills, good interpersonal skills, teaching excellence, successful teamwork, equine youth experience, and experience obtaining extramural funding for extension, teaching, and/or scholarship. Strong emphasis will be placed on ability to collaborate effectively with colleagues in the Department and Division, District, Area, and County Cooperative Extension Personnel, and potential to contribute to interdisciplinary Initiative teams.

Academic Rank: Assistant Professor

Salary: Competitive and commensurate with education and experience.

Application Deadline: Applications will be reviewed beginning February 15, 2014, and will continue until a suitable candidate is identified.

Date Position is Available: April 1, 2014, or as an outstanding candidate is available. Continuation of this position is subject to performance and need.

Application Procedure: Candidates should submit a letter of application, official academic transcripts, statement of outreach goals, statement of teaching and advising philosophy, and a complete CV that includes background, education, experience, and lists of presentations, publications, and extramural funding to Dr. Chris Richards (Chair of the Search Committee), Department of Animal Science, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74078-6065. Candidates should also provide the name and contact information of 3 references. Questions may be sent to Dr. Chris Richards: chris.richards@okstate.edu or by phone (405) 744-6060.

About the Department: The OSU Department of Animal Science has the largest undergraduate enrollment and scholarship program on the OSU-Stillwater campus. Our 950 undergraduate students choose one of nine options while earning a B.S. degree in Animal Science, or one of three options while earning the B.S. degree in Food Science. Our undergraduate students currently come from 40 states and three foreign countries. Our 60 graduate students are engaged in M.S. or Ph.D. programs in Animal Science or Food Science. The department operates 8 farm and ranch units with high quality livestock that encompass over 12,000 acres. For more information about the department go to: <http://www.ansi.okstate.edu/>

Applicants will be considered without discrimination for any non-merit reason such as race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, or veteran status. Oklahoma State University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer committed to diversity. The OSU-Stillwater campus is tobacco-free.