



Assistant/Associate Professor Rangeland and Forage Systems

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Oklahoma State University – Stillwater, Oklahoma**

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management (NREM) at Oklahoma State University invites applications for a full-time, eleven-month, tenure-track position (75% Extension and 25% teaching) in forage-based grazing in woodland and rangeland ecosystems. This position is part of a cluster hire program to establish an interdisciplinary, integrated team focused on improving and sustaining the forage-livestock systems central to Oklahoma and Southern Great Plains agriculture. We are seeking a candidate that can establish a vigorous Extension program with state-wide responsibilities in forage systems including native and introduced pastures in a wide range of ecosystems. Specific topics of interest include management of native grasslands and conservation reserve program (CRP) grasslands, drought mitigation, brush management, rangeland restoration, and cattle/wildlife grazing comparability. The successful candidate is expected to work closely with county educators and stakeholders to develop educational programs that are closely aligned with research of colleagues. Teaching responsibilities will include 2 undergraduate courses in the general area of grazing management and resource planning.

QUALIFICATIONS. Requirements include a PhD in rangeland management/ecology or a related field from an accredited university is required. Documented evidence of effective oral and written education skills, an understanding of the land-grant mission, and a strong interest in working with landowners, stakeholders, and county educators are required. Evidence of the ability to conduct both independent and collaborative programs with other faculty and natural resource professionals, to develop and maintain an active Extension program, to publish in leading scientific journals, and to seek and secure extramural funding to support Extension programs. Evidence of teaching experience is highly preferred.

SALARY: Competitive and commensurate with education, training and experience

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Applications will be reviewed beginning September 30, 2014, and will continue until a suitable candidate is identified.

DATE POSITION IS AVAILABLE: January 1, 2015, or as soon thereafter as an outstanding candidate is available. Continuation of this position is subject to performance and need.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Candidates should submit: 1) a letter of application, 2) a complete CV that includes: background, education, experience, and a list of publications and extramural funding, 3) official academic transcripts, 4) up to three reprints of peer-reviewed publications including Extension publications and journal articles, and 5) contact information for five (5) references. Materials must be submitted electronically to: DASNRRRange_srch@okstate.edu. For more information about the department go to: <http://nrem.okstate.edu>