Department Chair  
Department of Animal Science  
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS)  
Cornell University  
Ithaca, New York

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University invites applications and nominations for Professor and Chair of the Department of Animal Science (https://ansci.cals.cornell.edu/). For more than a century, the Department of Animal Science has pioneered the discovery, dissemination and application of knowledge that improves the health and wellbeing of animals and people. The mission of the department is to discover and disseminate new knowledge about the biology and management of domestic animals and to apply this knowledge to benefit society. Our land-grant legacy continues today through global programs to confront some of society’s most urgent needs with innovative solutions. These efforts include research conducted on and off campus, including at a new 500-cow dairy research center. The department is an active participant in university-wide initiatives such as the Dairy Center of Excellence and the David R. Atkinson Center for a Sustainable Future and is home to the nationally-recognized PRO-DAIRY extension program. The department administers the second largest undergraduate major in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and has extensive graduate programs. Whether we address enhanced animal performance through nutrition and reproduction, the improvement of livestock breeds using genetics and genomics or the development of sustainable animal production systems, we seek to guide our field in the twenty-first century and beyond. Our broad extension efforts translate this science to stakeholders and policymakers, while our extensive undergraduate and graduate teaching programs prepare our students to become leaders in a changing world.

The college seeks a prominent scientist to lead the department as its Chair in all aspects of academic activity, including stewardship of resources and personnel. The Chair will develop a vision for future growth in the department and provide strategic leadership to enhance the cohesiveness of the department’s current and emerging programmatic areas. The Chair will have an appreciation for the contributions of both basic and applied research to the mission of the department. In collaboration with the faculty and academic staff, the Chair will foster excellence in teaching, research, extension and outreach activities for the advancement of animal and human wellbeing. The Chair additionally will provide oversight for the recruitment, retention and professional development of departmental faculty and staff. The Chair furthermore is expected to pursue scholarly activities in her or his area of expertise.

Candidates will be expected to have an internationally recognized research and funding record consistent with an appointment at the rank of full Professor at Cornell. An earned Ph.D. is required in a discipline relevant to the department’s multi-disciplinary interests. Candidates holding veterinary degrees in addition to a Ph.D. are encouraged to apply. The successful candidate will have a record of leadership, active participation in academic affairs, commitment
to diversity and inclusion and evidence of balance and excellence in teaching, research and/or extension and outreach activities.

We seek an enterprising, inspiring and collaborative leader who will be hired as a full Professor, to serve as Chair for five years with the possibility of renewal. The incumbent would hold a 9-month, tenure-track appointment. The anticipated start date is July 1, 2018 or as negotiated.

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) is a pioneer of purpose-driven science and Cornell University's second largest college. We work across disciplines to tackle the challenges of our time through world-renowned research, education and outreach. The questions we probe and the answers we seek focus on three overlapping concerns: natural and human systems; food, energy and environmental resources; and social, physical and economic well-being.

Cornell is an innovative Ivy League university and a great place to work. Our inclusive community of scholars, students and staff impart an uncommon sense of larger purpose and contribute creative ideas to further the university's mission of teaching, discovery and engagement. With our main campus located in Ithaca, New York, Cornell's global presence includes the medical college's campuses on the Upper East Side of Manhattan and Doha, Qatar, as well as the new Cornell Tech campus on Roosevelt Island in the heart of New York City.

Candidates are asked to submit: 1) a curriculum vitae and 2) a statement of purpose, including accomplishments and future leadership goals, with emphasis on articulating a vision for the future of the field of Animal Science. Applications should be submitted through Academic Jobs Online at https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/10898. References will be subsequently sought from those candidates considered most appropriate by the search committee.

Questions may be sent via email to the chair of the search committee, Dr. Craig Altier at anscichairsearch@cornell.edu. Preference will be given to applications received prior to April 15, 2018. The position will remain open until filled.

Support
Cornell offers a competitive salary, an attractive fringe benefits package and resources for research start-up; support will be commensurate with background and experience. Cornell offers a wide array of services, programs and benefits to help employees advance in their careers and enhance the quality of their personal lives, including employee wellness, workshops, childcare and adoption assistance, parental leave and flexible work options.

Cornell seeks to meet the needs of dual career couples, has a dual career program and is a member of the Upstate New York Higher Education Recruitment Consortium to assist with dual career searches. Please visit http://www.unyherc.org to see positions available in higher education in the upstate New York area.

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