

FACULTY POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
Meat Science and Muscle Biology
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Position: Assistant Professor, Full Time Tenure-Track Faculty Position in Meat Science and Muscle Biology in the Department of Animal Sciences.

The University of Illinois is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer. Minorities, women, veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit <http://go.illinois.edu/EEO>.

Qualifications: Ph.D. degree in Animal Sciences or Food Science or a closely related technical field with a commitment to teaching, and an ability to establish an externally funded, internationally-recognized program of research. Candidates with industry or postdoctoral research experience are encouraged to apply. Individuals working toward a Ph.D. may be considered, but the degree must be obtained by the starting date.

Responsibilities: The Department of Animal Sciences seeks qualified candidates for a tenure-track faculty position in the area of Meat Science and Muscle Biology. This position offers an opportunity to provide leadership and innovation within a well-recognized research program and play an integral role in the teaching mission of the department. The successful applicant will be expected to establish an extramurally-funded, nationally recognized program of research in translational and applied meat science. Areas of expertise could include, but are not limited to, carcass composition evaluation, fresh meat quality, carcass fabrication and further processing, meat safety, or muscle growth and development. The individual hired in this position should be motivated to build strong collaborations within the department, across campus, and industry. It is expected that this individual will teach and mentor undergraduate and graduate students. Teaching responsibilities would include undergraduate and graduate level courses in Meat Science.

Proposed Start Date: Negotiable after the closing date.

Salary: Commensurate with qualifications and experience

Location: The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (<http://illinois.edu>) is located approximately 120 miles south of Chicago in a metropolitan area of approximately 232,000 people.

Resources: The College of ACES (<http://aces.illinois.edu>) is widely recognized for excellence in undergraduate and graduate education, research, outreach, and international programs. In addition to its mission as a land-grant university, the campus offers exceptional programs in the arts, humanities, sciences, engineering, and computer science. Within the College of ACES, the Department of Animal Sciences (<http://ansc.illinois.edu>) manages livestock farming operations and research facilities for swine, beef, dairy, and poultry species, all conveniently located within 5 minutes of campus. The department also operates the Meat Science Laboratory, a federally-inspected slaughter and processing facility.

The campus is home to internationally recognized facilities and interdisciplinary programs including the Institute for Genomic Biology (<http://www.igb.illinois.edu>), Beckman Institute (<http://beckman.illinois.edu>), W.M. Keck Center for Comparative and Functional Genomics (<http://www.biotech.illinois.edu>), and National Center for Supercomputing Applications (<http://www.ncsa.illinois.edu>).

Closing Date: For initial consideration apply by April 8, 2019, though the search will continue until a suitable candidate is found. Applicants should create a profile at <http://jobs.illinois.edu> and upload (as a single PDF) a curriculum vitae, a statement of research interests (including future plans), a statement of teaching philosophy, and contact information of three references. References will be requested for all submitted applications; referees will be contacted within 2-3 days of submission to provide this information. Only applications submitted through the University of Illinois Job Board will be considered.

Questions can be directed to Dr. Dan Shike, Chair of the Search Committee (dshike@illinois.edu; 217-333-0322) or to Dr. Rodney Johnson, Head of the Department, (rwjohn@illinois.edu; 217-244-1681). Additional information about the Department can be found at <http://ansc.illinois.edu>.

The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer.