POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL), College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) and Nebraska Extension are inviting applications for a statewide Youth Meat Animal Extension Assistant Professor position in the Department of Animal Science. This position will connect Nebraska Extension and CASNR to youth and adult leaders in Nebraska to build advocacy for meat and livestock systems. The Youth Meat Animal Extension Assistant Professor will be responsible for delivering sustainable meat and livestock educational programming to provide important knowledge and understanding to our youth, producers and consumers. In addition, the successful candidate will also lead the UNL intercollegiate meat judging team. This 12-month, non-tenure track position will report to the Head of the Department of Animal Science and the Associate Dean of Nebraska Extension.

The duties and responsibilities of the Youth Meat Animal Extension Assistant Professor will include: develop, deliver, and assess an innovative statewide 4-H program focused on meat and livestock; strengthen the capacity of 4-H Extension Educators to manage 4-H livestock and meats programs; serve as the meats judging team coach, teach innovative courses related to livestock and carcass evaluation, and recruit students to Animal Science and Meat Science; assist with statewide 4-H Youth meat and livestock programs and carcass contests, including planning, policy management, and coordination of Nebraska State Fair 4-H livestock competitive and educational events, the Premier Animal Science Event (PASE), FFA Career Development Events, and other meat and livestock events; serve on Extension Issue Teams and collaborate with interdisciplinary teams of Extension Educators and Specialists; contribute to collaborative programs within IANR and Extension across the state to develop student career readiness skills; develop strategic partnerships with meat and livestock organizations and commodity groups in the state and region; advise undergraduate students and student organizations; and promote the recruitment of students.

Required qualifications include a minimum of a M.S. degree in animal science, meat science, or a related field by time of hire; knowledge and experience in livestock management and animal husbandry; experience teaching animal science related coursework; ability to engage youth in non-formal educational settings; ability to effectively coach and enhance student success through the intercollegiate meats judging program; excellent written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills; and the ability to work in a diverse team atmosphere.

Preference will be given for a Ph.D. in animal science, meat science, food science, or closely related field with emphasis on beef or pork production; demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching and learning and capability to develop innovative, effective methods of teaching undergraduate courses; previous experience and capabilities to serve as the coach of the intercollegiate meats judging team; and experience in reaching youth audiences through creative outreach efforts.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is located in one of the largest cattle feeding states in the world, along with extensive cow-calf and backgrounding/stock cattle production, expanding swine, dairy, and poultry industries, and the number one state in the U.S. for red meat production. The state also benefits from a high concentration of allied industries and services including meat processors, grain processors and feed manufacturers, pharmaceutical and biological manufacturers, technology development and support, and world-class consultants in feedlot nutrition. Existing and potential programs at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln offer opportunities for unique collaborations in the diverse aspects of food animal production.

To view details of the position and make application, go to http://employment.unl.edu, requisition F_190200. Click "Apply to this job" and complete the information form. Attach a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three professional references. Review of applications will begin December 16, 2019 and continue until the position is filled or the search is closed.

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