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**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT # 0001-4187
REQUISITION # 501675**

Title: Lecturer
Food and Resource Economics

Location: Gulf Coast Research and Education Center (GCREC) – Plant City campus
University of Florida
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
Plant City, Florida

Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Review Date: For full consideration, candidates should apply and submit additional materials by May 15, 2017. The position will open until a viable applicant pool is determined.

Duties and Responsibilities

This is a full-time, 12-month non-tenure-accruing faculty position that will be 100% teaching (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, CALS), available in the Food and Resource Economics (FRE) Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, at the University of Florida. The candidate will be assigned to the UF/IFAS Gulf Coast Research and Education Center Plant City campus in Plant City, FL. Duties will include teaching undergraduate courses in food and resource economics, with a focus on agribusiness. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit and include agribusiness marketing, management, finance along with applied statistics and data analysis, microeconomics and other relevant fields of agricultural economics.

The assignment of an FRE lecturer to this campus is a new endeavor. In addition to teaching responsibilities, duties will also include: i) collaborating with FRE faculty members in Gainesville and at other Research and Education Centers to coordinate delivery of the FRE program to students enrolled at the Plant City campus; ii) serving as a liaison between the FRE program and schools, industry and community leaders in the region; iii) supporting the efforts to grow the program and student base, including undergraduate student recruiting and

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advising, and possible supervision of extra-curricular student activities (e.g. NAMA Marketing Team, Academic Quiz Bowl, Departmental student club); and iv) contributing to the overall goals of CALS, GCREC and the Food and Resource Economics Department.

The successful candidate will engage in scholarly activities related to instruction, including teaching undergraduate courses, advising and mentoring students, participating in curriculum revision and enhancement, seeking funding for the teaching program, supervising undergraduate research and creative work, publishing teaching-related scholarship, producing learning tools, and engaging in professional development activities related to teaching and advising. Faculty are encouraged to support and participate in the CALS Honors Program, distance education, and international education.

Qualifications

Required: A master's degree (foreign equivalent acceptable) in Agricultural Economics, Economics or Finance or a closely related discipline is required. Previous teaching experience is required. Candidates should have demonstrated skills in verbal and written communication, collaboration/teamwork, interpersonal relationships. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Land-Grant system. Candidates must also have a commitment to IFAS core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability. The successful candidate must have outstanding teaching potential, a student-centered focus in his/her work and proven ability to work effectively with professional colleagues, students and stakeholders.

Preferred: Candidates with a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics, Economics, Finance or a closely related field are preferred.

Background Information:

The Food and Resource Economics Department (FRED) has 26 faculty members and 8 support staff positions in Gainesville, and five faculty members and support staff spread across 5 research and extension centers throughout the state. FRED faculty teaches a wide variety of courses, from agribusiness marketing, to natural resource/environmental economics, to welfare economics and trade theory. FRED averages ~ 300 undergraduate majors/year, and 80-90 M.S., Ph.D. and Master of Agribusiness students. Research and Extension efforts reflect both the needs of the State and the mission of the Agricultural Economics profession.

The University of Florida (<http://www.ufl.edu>) is a Land-Grant, Sea-Grant, and Space-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 50,000 students. UF is a member of The Association of American Universities. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (<http://ifas.ufl.edu>) includes the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (<http://cals.ufl.edu>), the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://research.ifas.ufl.edu>), the Florida Cooperative Extension Service (<http://extension.ifas.ufl.edu>), the College of Veterinary Medicine (<http://www.vetmed.ufl.edu>), the Florida Sea Grant program (<http://www.flseagrant.org/>), and encompasses 16 on-campus academic departments and schools, 12 Research and Educational Centers (REC) located throughout the state, 6 Research sites/demonstration units administered by RECs or academic departments, and Florida Cooperative Extension Service offices in all 67 counties (counties

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operate and maintain). The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. IFAS employs over 2500 people, which includes approximately 900 faculty and 1200 support personnel located in Gainesville and throughout the state. IFAS, one of the nation's largest agricultural and natural resources research and education organizations, is administered by a Senior Vice President and four deans: the Dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, the Dean for Extension and Director of the Florida Cooperative Extension Service, the Dean for Research and Director of the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine. UF/IFAS also engages in cooperative work with Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

Employment Conditions

This position is available **July 1, 2017**, and will be filled as soon thereafter as an acceptable applicant is available. Compensation is commensurate with the education, experience, and qualifications of the selected applicant.

Nominations

Nominations are welcome. Nominations need to include the complete name and address of the nominee. This information should be sent to:

Please refer to Requisition # 501675
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Application Information

- Individuals wishing to apply should go online to <http://explore.jobs.ufl.edu/cw/en-us/job/501675> and submit:
 - Application
 - Cover letter that states applicant's interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above
 - Curriculum vitae
- Official transcripts showing receipt of the M.S., M.A. degree or doctoral degree and three letters of recommendation should be sent to:

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Final candidate will be required to provide official transcript to the hiring department upon hire. A transcript will not be considered “official” if a designation of “Issued to Student” is visible. Degrees earned from an education institution outside of the United States are required to be evaluated by a professional credentialing service provider approved by National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES), which can be found at <http://www.naces.org/>.

The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. The selection process will be conducted in accord with the provisions of Florida’s ‘Government in the Sunshine’ and Public Records Laws. Persons with disabilities have the right to request and receive reasonable accommodation.

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