

Position: **Assistant or Associate Professor, Meat Science**
Department of Animal Sciences and Industry
Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

About This Role:

The Department of Animal Sciences and Industry within Kansas State University's College of Agriculture is seeking applications for a 12-month, tenure-track position (70% Research, 30% Teaching). The position will be at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor and located in Manhattan, KS. The successful individual will be expected to develop a nationally-recognized, externally funded research program in meat science. Applicants with research interests and expertise that target discoveries with the potential to be translated to improve meat quality are preferred. Participation in interdisciplinary efforts to enhance the Department's research in focus areas including nutrition, breeding and genetics, reproductive physiology, food science and others is strongly encouraged. Opportunities exist to form multidisciplinary groups with faculty in Veterinary Medicine, Biology, Biochemistry and others. Teaching and mentoring responsibilities would be consistent with the successful individual's expertise, interests, and needs of the Department. It is expected that the successful individual develops a dynamic graduate training program.

Position Description and Responsibilities: The successful individual will:

- Develop and maintain a nationally and internationally recognized meat science research program that is competitive and extramurally funded
- Demonstrate a strong commitment to team-oriented research
- Provide high-quality and impactful instruction to graduate and undergraduate students
- Deliver excellence in mentoring and advising graduate and undergraduate students and commitment to the development and success of students
- Participate in management of Meat Science laboratories
- Participate in Meat Science, departmental, college, and university committees, activities, and programs

Minimum Requirements:

- Ph.D. in Meat Science, Animal Science or Food Science at the start of employment
- Knowledge and experience in meat science
- Demonstrated potential for excellence in research
- Interest or demonstrated excellence in teaching graduate and undergraduate courses in meat, animal or food science and training graduate students
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience and knowledge in the meat and food industry
- Demonstrated ability and/or desire to obtain extramural funding
- Proven academic publication record that is consistent with experience level
- Ability and enthusiasm to teach meat science courses such as Growth and Development
- Experience conducting and/or leading collaborative, interdisciplinary research
- Experience in graduate and undergraduate advising
- Desire and ability to work in a multi-disciplinary team environment and advance the university's commitment to collegiality, diversity, and inclusivity

Other Requirements:

- *Applicants must be currently authorized to work in the United States at the time of employment*

How to Apply:

Applicants should complete the application process through KSU's PageUp recruiting system at <https://careers.k-state.edu/cw/en-us/job/508698/assistantassociate-professor> and upload the following:

1. Cover letter to include an explanation of your research and teaching experience and how your expertise aligns with the position
2. Curriculum vitae
3. Name and contact information for three references

Review of Applications Begins:

March 9, 2020

Equal Employment Opportunity:

Kansas State University is an Equal Opportunity Employer of individuals with disabilities and protected veterans and actively seeks diversity among its employees.

Background Screening Statement:

In connection with your application for employment, Kansas State University will procure a Background Screen on you as part of the process of considering your candidacy as an employee.

Why Join Us:

Kansas State University is located in Manhattan, KS, with a current population of over 55,000 residents. The Meat Science program in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry at Kansas State University has been a world leader, known for its reputable research dedicated to improving consumer's center-of-the-plate experiences through quality, safety, and value-added processes. The Department of Animal Sciences and Industry houses a 23,000 square foot USDA meat processing facility completed in 1987 for slaughter, chilling, fabrication, processing, curing, smoking, packaging and cooking. Laboratories include the Meat Lab; an on-the-rail abattoir with three processing laboratories; the Sensory Lab, equipped for objective and subjective product evaluation and cookery; the Color Lab with chilled and frozen display cases; the Meat Muscle Biology and Biochemistry Lab; a facility for analytical work; and the Meat Microbiology Lab. Please contact Dr. Liz Boyle at lboyle@ksu.edu or 785-532-1247 if you have any questions regarding this opportunity.