Position: Assistant or Associate Professor, Dairy Cattle Nutrition
Department of Animal Sciences and Industry
Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

About This Role:
The Department of Animal Sciences and Industry is the largest department (more than 1,200 undergraduates and approximately 100 graduate students) in Kansas State University’s College of Agriculture. We are seeking applicants for a 12-month, tenure-track position (60% Research, 40% 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 dairy nutrition and contribute to the core missions of the department involving undergraduate and graduate teaching and research activities. Participation in interdisciplinary efforts to enhance the Department’s research in focus areas including nutrition, breeding, genetics, reproductive physiology, and food science is strongly encouraged. Teaching and mentoring responsibilities will be consistent with the successful individual’s expertise, interests, and needs of the Department. It is expected that the successful candidate will develop a dynamic graduate training program.

Position Description and Responsibilities: The successful individual will:

- Develop and maintain a high quality, extramurally funded, research program in dairy cattle nutrition
- Direct M.S. and Ph.D. graduate programs
- Teach undergraduate and graduate courses in the area of ruminant nutrition and management
- Advise undergraduate students and student organizations
- Complete other tasks as necessary to support the overall mission of the department
- Work in a diverse and multicultural environment by fostering diversity and teamwork

Minimum Requirements:

- Ph.D. degree (at time of employment) with an emphasis on Dairy Cattle Nutrition
- Ability to develop a research program and garner extramural funding in dairy cattle nutrition
- Ability and willingness to teach and advise graduate and undergraduate students
- Practical knowledge and experience with modern U.S. dairy operations

Preferred Qualifications:

- Ability to incorporate Kansas dairies in applied research efforts
- Proven academic publication record that is consistent with experience level
- Ability and enthusiasm to teach nutrition courses such as Fundamentals of Nutrition and Dairy Nutrition
- Demonstrated evidence of being a successful team member and leader, including the ability to collaborate with and lead a diverse team of colleagues, staff, students, and dairy industry stakeholders
- 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/508940/assistant-or-associate-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 professional references

Review of Applications Begins:
April 1, 2020. For best consideration, apply by April 1, 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 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 more than 55,000 residents. For more than 100 years, the University dairy program has served the Kansas dairy industry, which has grown significantly during the past 25 years. Kansas State University has the leading dairy program in the High Plains region, one of the largest milk sheds in the nation. The Kansas State University Teaching and Research Center has one of highest producing university herds in the nation, which has allowed multiple researchers to conduct experiments in the past decades. Please contact Dr. KC Olson, Search Committee Chair, at kcolson@k-state.edu or 785-532-1254, if you have any questions regarding this opportunity.