

Position Title: Poultry Processing - Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist

Percentage Appointment: 12-month, non-tenure track position; 65% Extension, 35% Research

Location: College Station, TX 77843

General Duties and Responsibilities:

Food quality and safety is of critical importance to large- and small-scale poultry producers. This faculty member will develop programs to disseminate information, provide educational training opportunities for stakeholders, and conduct applied research to assist small flock and niche producers, as well as the commercial poultry industry, with challenges related to quality and safety of poultry products. Potential research could include but is not limited to, poultry processing methods and equipment, value-added consumer poultry products, poultry product quality, microbiology and food safety, quality of conversion of muscle to poultry products, factors influencing poultry product quality, and other areas of critical importance to the future of the poultry sector. Extension outreach could include, but is not limited to, processing workshops, trainings, publications, manuals, and certification programs in areas such as HACCP and best management practices for processing sanitation and food safety. The faculty member will also be expected to conduct an applied research program to support their outreach programs.

The successful candidate will: 1) establish and conduct an effective extension education program for the poultry industry and the people of Texas, 2) establish strong professional relationships with allied agencies/firms and 3) serve as a principal resource for interpreting policy concerning the poultry industry. The person will establish a nationally recognized, extramurally funded extension-based research program in Poultry Science. Graduate student mentoring to obtain these extension-based research goals is essential. The faculty member will be expected to effectively communicate pertinent scientific knowledge to poultry industry stakeholders, regulatory officials, and other related clientele; to publish in peer reviewed journals; and to actively participate in national and regional professional organizations. Additionally, the candidate will be expected to participate in youth related extension programming in support of the department's mission in youth education. The candidate will be expected to serve on departmental, college, and university committees.

Requirements:

- Ph.D. in Poultry Science, Animal Science, Food Science, Muscle Biology, Food Engineering, or related field.
- Ability to travel up to 30% and willingness to work with poultry industry stakeholders in support of the land grant mission.

Preferences:

- Experience in research and outreach programs for poultry processing, post-harvest food safety, muscle/protein biology or closely related field.
- Prior industry/regulatory experience.
- Training in extension or teaching methods.
- Established publication and funding record.
- HACCP certification/training.

Deadlines: Review of applications will begin July 22, 2024, and will continue until the position is filled.

Application Instructions: Send a letter of application including a statement of extension and career goals, current curriculum vitae, and names and contact information of three references to:

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