FACULTY POSITION IN NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES AT THE RANK OF ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

The Oklahoma State University Department of Nutritional Sciences is seeking a qualified candidate for a tenure-leading faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor with a research program that complements and expands existing areas of expertise in the Department of Nutritional Science related to understanding the biological and behavioral mechanisms underlying obesity, the role of nutrition in the pathophysiology of chronic disease, and/or examining the role of nutrient-gene interactions that contribute to a 

reduction in chronic disease risk and associated comorbidities. This 9-month position has an anticipated start date of August 10, 2020 (contingent upon available funding). In addition to a competitive benefits package, the salary is commensurate with candidate qualifications and experience.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Earned Ph.D. degree in Nutritional Sciences or closely-related field (e.g., Biochemistry) is required.
- Evidence of strong potential in instruction. Willingness/ability to teach both large undergraduate courses and small graduate courses as needed by the Department of Nutritional Sciences.
- Evidence of strong potential for productivity in research, publishing, and ability to secure funding to support scholarly activities.
- Willingness/ability to participate in and/or develop collaborative teams around a research agenda focused on understanding the biological and behavioral factors contributing to obesity, understanding the pathophysiology of chronic disease, or how nutrigenomics can be used in developing personalized nutrition recommendations.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Major responsibilities of the position include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Conduct extramurally supported nutrition research in the area of chronic disease prevention and/or nutrigenomics.
- Teach undergraduate and graduate courses in nutrition, metabolism, research methods, and/or nutrigenomics.
- Advise undergraduate research scholars and graduate students.
- Direct/supervise and mentor M.S. and Ph.D. degree candidates.
- Work collaboratively and effectively with interdisciplinary research teams to advance the teaching, research, and service/outreach mission of the Department and University.
- Participate in professional activities and serve on appropriate committees in the Department, College, University, and profession.
- Collaborate with, and lend support to, Cooperative Extension and contribute to outreach activities of the University.
THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Nutritional Sciences offers a comprehensive educational experience for ~500 undergraduate and ~60 graduate students who are interested in promoting the health and wellness of individuals as well as communities through the prevention and treatment of disease. As a major in Nutritional Sciences, students can declare options in Allied Health, Human Nutrition/Pre-Medical Sciences, Dietetics, and Community Nutrition. Working with master’s degree and doctoral students, our graduate faculty are preparing the next generation of nutritional scientists. Our dietetic interns earn master’s degrees before completing their rotations. Faculty members working with the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Services affect the lives of individual Oklahomans for the better by applying research findings to real-life settings in homes, schools, and businesses. For more information, visit http://humansciences.okstate.edu/nsci.

THE COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

The College of Human Sciences (CoHS) is home to three Departments and one School: Nutritional Sciences, Human Development and Family Science, and Design, Housing, and Merchandising and the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management. As a partner with the Division of Agriculture Sciences and Natural Resources, CoHS has access to Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station funding and Family and Consumer Sciences educators in Oklahoma’s 77 counties. To learn more about CoHS, visit http://humansciences.okstate.edu.

THE UNIVERSITY

OSU is a comprehensive land-grant institution with an enrollment of ~22,000 students and is committed to excellence in instruction, research, and outreach. In addition to the main campus in Stillwater, OSU also has campuses in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, and Okmulgee. Stillwater, a city of ~49,000 residents, is situated 65 miles from Oklahoma City and Tulsa and 250 miles from Dallas and Kansas City. A variety of activities are available on campus and in the community including music, drama, art, speakers, outdoor recreation, and sporting events. OSU, Americas Healthiest Campus, offers employees free membership to the Colvin Recreation Center and Seretean Wellness Center. For more information, please go to http://go.okstate.edu (for OSU) or http://www.visitstillwater.org (for the City of Stillwater).

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