

Faculty Position
Assistant Professor of Biochemistry
West Virginia University

Academic Rank and Salary:

The position is assistant professor of biochemistry/molecular biology in the Division of Animal and Nutritional Sciences, Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design, West Virginia University. This is a nine-month, tenure-track position with 50 percent research and 50 percent teaching responsibility. The initial salary shall be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Two months of summer salary will be available for each of the first three years in order to establish a competitive research program.

Responsibilities:

Responsibilities include developing an innovative research program to address areas of economic importance and interest to animal agriculture and/or human nutrition and food science. Ideally, the research program would complement existing divisional strengths in nutrition or physiology. The successful candidate must be capable of obtaining extramural funding and exhibit a willingness to collaborate with other scientists within the college and University, as well as federal, state and private industries. Responsibilities involve teaching courses in the undergraduate and graduate programs, including developing an advanced course in biochemistry, and advising undergraduate and graduate students.

Qualifications:

Applicants must have a Ph.D., preferably in a discipline in animal agriculture, human nutrition or a closely related science with academic and research emphasis in biochemistry and/or molecular biology. Related postdoctoral training is preferred. A strong background in enzymology is desirable. Evidence of a strong interest in teaching and a record of research productivity are required. Demonstrated ability to communicate with students, professionals, other scientists, staff and clientele is essential.

Location:

West Virginia University's main campus is located in Morgantown. Morgantown, with an area population of 55,000, is a vibrant, family-friendly community located in North Central West Virginia. The city's unique mix of people and cultures, and the ever-changing population of students, make Morgantown an exciting place to live. Located in "Mountaineer Country", Morgantown is a recreational haven year-round. In fact, West Virginia's fifth largest city was recently rated the "#1 Small City in America", the "Best Small City in the East", and the "3rd-Best Town" in the nation. The natural beauty of West Virginia is awe-inspiring, and opportunities for skiing, hiking, rock climbing, fishing, hunting, white-water rafting, and snowboarding are close by as are opportunities for plays, music and art. The University is the state's major research, doctoral degree-granting, land-grant institution and has been designated "comprehensive doctoral with medical, with high research activity" by the Carnegie Foundation. It serves over 29,000 students in 170 degree programs offered by one of 13 academic schools and colleges.

Application:

Qualified applicants should submit an application letter and a current resume detailing their education, employment experience and qualifications. Applicants should have official college transcripts and three letters of reference forwarded to:

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Applications will be accepted until June 30, 2010 or until the position is filled. The incumbent could start as early as August 16, 2010. West Virginia University is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, marital status, disability, veteran status, national origin, or sexual orientation.