

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT 0001-4021
REQUISITION # 0802405

Title: Associate/Full Professor – Integrative Fisheries Science

Location: School of Forest Resources and Conservation (SFRC)
Program in Fisheries and Aquatic Science (PFAS)
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
University of Florida
7922 NW 71ST Street
Gainesville, Florida 32653-3071

Salary: Commensurate with qualifications and experience

Review Date: To ensure full consideration please apply online by September 10, 2009. Position will open until a viable applicant pool is determined.

Duties and Responsibilities

This is a full-time (12 month), tenure-track position in the School of Forest Resources and Conservation (SFRC), Program in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (PFAS), with responsibilities in research (70% - Florida Agricultural Experiment Station) and teaching (30% - College of Agricultural & Life Sciences). The assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit. Tenure will accrue in the School of Forest Resources and Conservation. This position is jointly funded by the University of Florida (UF) and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). The successful candidate is expected to establish a vigorous research program in integrative fisheries science with an emphasis on the evaluation of stock enhancement and fisheries restoration practices through the quantitative assessment of impacts, efficacy and human dimensions aspects associated with such practices. The successful candidate will provide science support to key cooperators including state and federal fisheries management agencies. The successful candidate will work with existing faculty at UF, FWC personnel and other cooperators and stakeholders to develop wider opportunities for integrative-interdisciplinary research, education, and involvement in management and policy. The successful candidate will be expected to develop and team-teach an inter-disciplinary graduate course in integrative fisheries management that considers ecological, economic, legal and human dimensions of managing fisheries resources. The incumbent will also engage in other scholarly activities related to instruction, including teaching in undergraduate courses, advising and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students, participating in curriculum revision and enhancement, and participating in other activities such as seeking funding for the teaching program, supervising undergraduate research, publishing teaching-related scholarship, producing learning tools, and engaging in professional development activities related to teaching and advising. Faculty are encouraged to support and participate in the CALS Honors Program, distance education, and international education. The faculty member will actively seek contract and grant funding to support his/her program. The faculty member will engage in Extension activities in his or her program area. All IFAS faculty are expected to demonstrate commitment and responsibility to the three functions of the Land Grant mission.

Qualifications

An earned doctorate in fisheries, biological science, or a discipline related to natural resource management is required. Candidates must be committed to the Land Grant mission and IFAS' core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability. We are seeking specifically an internationally recognized scientist-scholar with a record of developing innovative, integrative approaches to assessing stock enhancement efficacy and impact on marine and freshwater systems and/or the human dimensions of stock enhancement and fisheries restoration. Desired expertise and experiences include:

- Evidence of an established, internationally recognized and leading research program in integrative approaches to fisheries science
- Particular expertise in quantitative fisheries science as it relates to the objective evaluation of stock enhancement practices or human dimensions of fisheries management
- Broad research experience spanning at least two of the four core PFAS science areas (ecosystems, fisheries, aquaculture and aquatic animal health)
- Demonstrated interest in human dimensions of fisheries management (social science and/or economics)
- Excellent oral and written communication skills and experience in leading stakeholder participatory research and management activities
- Experience in providing integrative graduate education in natural resource management and conservation

Background Information

The School of Forest Resources and Conservation (www.sfrc.ufl.edu) at the University of Florida is located in Gainesville, a culturally diverse community in north central Florida. The SFRC has teaching, research, and extension education programs in three broad areas: Forest Resources and Conservation; Geomatics (surveying, mapping, remote sensing, GIS and GPS); and Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences. There are 50 faculty members, 70 affiliate, courtesy and emeritus faculty, 150 graduate students and 150 undergraduate students in the SFRC. The Program in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (PFAS) (<http://fishweb.ifas.ufl.edu/>) offers Master's and PhD degrees and an undergraduate minor in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences through the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) at the University of Florida. The mission of the PFAS is to advance scientific knowledge of the biological structure and productivity of Florida's natural and man-made freshwater, estuarine and marine ecosystems. PFAS enjoys strong relationships with other campus units, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the state's Water Management Districts, aquaculture and fishing industries, other private and public research institutions, the US Geological Survey, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration including the National Marine Fisheries Service and Florida Sea Grant.

The University of Florida (<http://www.ufl.edu>) is a Land-Grant and Sea-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 48,000 students. UF is a member of The Association of American Universities. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (<http://ifas.ufl.edu>) includes the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (<http://cals.ufl.edu>), the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://research.ifas.ufl.edu>), the Florida Cooperative Extension Service (<http://extension.ifas.ufl.edu>), the College of Veterinary Medicine (<http://www.vetmed.ufl.edu>), and encompasses 15 academic departments and the School of Forest Resources and Conservation, 9 interdisciplinary centers, 13 research and educational centers throughout the state, and Cooperative Extension units in each of Florida's 67 counties and the Seminole Tribe. The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. IFAS employs over 3400 people, which includes approximately 950 faculty and 2450 support personnel located in Gainesville and throughout the state. IFAS, one of the nation's largest agricultural and natural resources research and education organizations, is administered by a Senior Vice President and four deans: the Dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, the Dean for Extension and Director of the Florida Cooperative Extension Service, the Dean for Research and Director of the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine. UF/IFAS also engages in cooperative work with Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

Employment Conditions

This position is available September 10, 2009, and will be filled as soon thereafter as an acceptable applicant is available. Compensation is commensurate with the education, experience, and qualifications of the selected applicant.

Nominations

Nominations are welcome and should include the complete name and address of the nominee. This information should be sent to the Chair of the Search and Screen Committee, given below.

Application Information

- Individuals wishing to apply should go online at <https://jobs.ufl.edu> to submit:
 - The general University application (Please refer to Requisition # 0802405)
 - A comprehensive cover letter that states applicant's interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above
 - A resume or curriculum vitae
 - A list of five (5) professional references, including names, mailing addresses, e-mail addresses and telephone numbers
- Letters of recommendation will be requested by the Search and Screen Committee prior to candidate interviews
- Transcripts showing receipt of the doctoral degree will be requested from those candidates selected for interviews

Please send inquiries and nominations to:

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