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Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist in the School of Food Science

Washington State University— Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist (70% Extension and 30% Research, 12-month tenure-track position) in the School of Food Science. The successful applicant will conduct extension and research programs in the area of food processing and safety, with particular emphasis on assisting the food industries of the Pacific Northwest. The individual will develop and implement strong food processing extension programming with emphasis on food processing, safety and quality issues. Responsibilities will include technical assistance/problem solving and the development of training programs to transfer technical knowledge to small and large food processors. The individual will demonstrate the ability to cooperate/coordinate with other extension personnel, faculty, and staff within the WSU/UI School of Food Science to collectively address the needs of the regional food industry. Development of a nationally-competitive, externally-funded research program in food processing and safety that supports and closely integrates with the primary area of extension programming is expected. The incumbent will conduct a research program consistent with the mission of the WSU Agricultural Research Center (http://arc.wsu.edu/), and will be expected to communicate with and establish a cooperative relationship with the regional food industry, commodity groups and food processing associations. Required: Completed Ph.D. in Food Science, Food Engineering/Processing or related field; Demonstrated knowledge of applied food processing and safety; Ability to develop and implement relevant and timely extension programming to support the regional food processing industry; Ability to plan, conduct and publish innovative high quality research that can attract significant extramural funding and integrates with the corresponding extension program. Preferred: Knowledge of food processing technologies, food plant operations, food safety audits, regulatory compliance, plant sanitation and quality control programs; Demonstrated ability to cooperate and work with teams of faculty on interdisciplinary extension and research projects; Successful industrial experience; Ability to communicate effectively with constituency groups and respond to the changing needs of adult learners; Evidence of strong oral and written communications skills; Demonstrated knowledge and ability to work effectively with individuals and groups of diverse cultures, backgrounds and ideologies. To apply visit: https://www.wsujobs.com. Application materials must include: 1) a letter of application addressing each of the required and preferred qualifications, 2) a full curriculum vitae, 3) a concise 1-2 page statement outlining proposed extension and research program goals and direction, and 4) four letters of reference from individuals able to address your qualifications relative to this position. Screening: January 1, 2012. EEO/AA/ADA