



Saskatchewan Beef Industry Chair

The Department of Animal and Poultry Science in the College of Agriculture and Bioresources at the University of Saskatchewan invites outstanding applications for a full-time, tenure-track Assistant Professor in beef cattle with emphasis on sustainable management of the weaned calf. The successful candidate will join a strong, well-established multidisciplinary academic and research team with expertise in genetics, nutrition, feed processing, management, welfare, toxicology, metabolism, physiology and environmental sustainability.

The successful candidate will be expected to take a lead role in fulfilling the vision of the University of Saskatchewan's Livestock and Forage Centre of Excellence. This vision is that of a global centre of excellence serving the research, education and technology transfer needs of the Canadian beef industry. Facilities available to support research and extension activities include a state of the art metabolism unit for intensive nutrition and digestive physiology programs; a research feeding facility consisting of 42 small (15 head) and 4 large (200 head) pens equipped with individual feed intake capability in both small and large pens, as well as state of the art feeding, handling and sorting equipment. The centre also houses up to 500 beef cows with associated grazing and winter-feeding and handling facilities. Furthermore, the successful candidate will have the opportunity to collaborate with colleagues and have access to facilities from across campus including those from the College of Agriculture and Bioresources, Western College of Veterinary Medicine, VIDO-Intervac, Global Institute of Food Security, Global Institute of Water Security, Canadian Light Source and the Health Science complex.

The University of Saskatchewan's main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. The University of Saskatchewan is located in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, a city with a diverse and thriving economic base, a vibrant arts community and a full range of leisure opportunities. The University has a reputation for excellence in teaching, research and scholarly activities and offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs to a student population of over 24,000.

Qualifications

The successful candidate will have excellent disciplinary knowledge (Ph.D.) in beef cattle production. Post-doctoral experience is preferred. The ideal candidate will have good interpersonal and communication skills, demonstrate excellence or promise of excellence in teaching, graduate supervision and research, and the ability to function in a team research environment. The successful candidate will fill the role of the Saskatchewan Beef Industry Chair; an endowed position partially funded by the Saskatchewan Beef Industry. In this role, he/she will be expected to develop an internationally recognized research program in beef cattle production that is extramurally funded including from nationally competitive Tri-Agency programs. The successful candidate will be expected to develop a rapport and leadership role with the Saskatchewan and western Canadian Beef Industries. The candidate will also teach in both undergraduate and graduate student programs and participate in the administrative activities of the Department, College and University.

Salary bands for this position are as follows: Assistant Professor \$93,293 - \$112,109; Associate Professor \$112, 109 - \$130,925; Professor \$130, 925 – \$152,877.

This position includes a comprehensive benefits package which includes a dental, health and extended vision care plan; pension plan, life insurance (compulsory and voluntary), academic long term disability, sick leave, travel insurance, death benefits, an employee assistance program, a professional expense allowance, and a flexible health and wellness spending program.

Interested candidates must submit, via email, a cover letter that includes details of their proposed research program and teaching philosophy; a detailed curriculum vitae; and full contact information for three referees, in confidence, to:

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Review of applications will begin on January 14, 2019; however, applications will be accepted and evaluated until the position is filled. The anticipated start date is July 1, 2019.

The University of Saskatchewan is strongly committed to a diverse and inclusive workplace that empowers all employees to reach their full potential. All members of the university community share a responsibility for developing and maintaining an environment in which differences are valued and inclusiveness is practiced. The university welcomes applications from those who will contribute to the diversity of our community. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.