Position Description
Assistant Professor of Forage Utilization

The Animal and Veterinary Sciences (AVS) Department in the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences at Clemson University, Clemson, SC invites applications for a 9-month, tenure-track faculty position with emphasis in forage-livestock production and utilization. The anticipated start date is August 2016. Expectations for the successful candidate involve teaching upper level courses in forage production and sustainable livestock production systems. Development and delivery of a graduate course in the candidate’s area of expertise is also expected. Evidence of teaching effectiveness, innovation, and experience is required. Additionally, establishment of a research program in areas of forage production (stored or grazed forages), forage-livestock interactions, or forage utilization is required. A strong publication record in leading peer reviewed journals is fundamental, and a strong background in nutrition as it relates to forage quality and beef, small ruminants, equine or dairy cattle production is desired. This research appointment will require the successful applicant to recruit and train graduate students within the AVS departmental MS and PhD programs and incorporate undergraduate students into their research program. Excellent interpersonal skills, with exceptional oral and written communication proficiency and strong interest on collaboration with faculty, students, staff and public within the department, college, university, and community is required.

Requirements: PhD in Animal Science, Agronomy, Ruminant Nutrition, or a closely related field is required. Evidence of collaboration, potential to secure extramural funding along with postdoctoral experience are preferred. The successful candidate will be expected to participate in undergraduate advising, extra-curricular activities (e.g. student clubs/organizations) and other department-related assignments. Experience in forage production, grazing methodology, nutritional techniques and/or greenhouse gas sequestration/emission is expected.

How To Apply: send a letter of intent stating how contributions would be relevant at the national and international levels, strengthen the current Clemson University AVS departmental initiatives, and impact the agricultural industry in the state of South Carolina. In addition to a letter of intent, please include curriculum vitae, transcripts, teaching philosophy, research statement (including future directions), and a list of at least three references. Send all documents in one PDF file to Mrs. Opal Rousey at enousey@clemson.edu For questions, contact Dr. John Andrae, Search Committee Chair, jandrae@clemson.edu or Dr. James R. Strickland, AVS Department Chair, jrstric@clemson.edu.

Application materials must be received by February 29, 2016. Applications will be reviewed as received and continue until a suitable candidate is identified and hired. Selected candidates will be invited to interview before the end of May 2016.

Review Begin Date: 02-29-2016
Projected Start Date: 08-15-2016

Department Marketing Statement: Clemson’s AVS department is committed to improve learning and research opportunities for the citizens of South Carolina, the United States and the world. MS and PhD degrees in Animal and Veterinary Sciences are offered through the AVS department and the successful candidate will have access to extensive research and teaching resources at the Simpson Research and Education Center near campus. This center includes recently remodeled beef cattle and small ruminant facilities with excellent infrastructure present for conducting small plot, grazing and confinement-fed animal research trials. In addition, the LeMaster Dairy Center provides excellent facilities for silage-oriented dairy research trials. The Edisto Research and Education Center also maintains approximately 150 head beef cow herd and offers the opportunity to conduct forage research in a Coastal Plain environment. An attractive startup package is available and significant field equipment and resources are in place for the selected candidate.

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