Veterinary Parasitologist

The Department of Veterinary Sciences at the University of Wyoming seeks a full-time, tenure-track clinical Parasitologist at the Assistant Professor level (Position # 1154). Minimum requirements: either PhD in a relevant discipline and/or DVM plus a research Master’s degree in a relevant discipline. Documented parasitology clinical diagnostic experience and demonstrable biomedical research ability are required. Demonstrated excellent interpersonal and communication skills, and ability to work with others in a collegial team atmosphere are required. Preferred qualifications: DVM with PhD in a relevant discipline; residency training plus certification in a laboratory diagnostic discipline by American College of Veterinary Microbiology (ACVM), American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (AAVP) or equivalent professional certification. Demonstrated interest, aptitude, and capability for scholarly activity related to parasitic diseases of livestock, wildlife, and/or companion animals is highly desirable, as is teaching expertise at the undergraduate, professional and/or graduate level.

The candidate will function as a diagnostic veterinary parasitologist in a team with other animal disease experts within the Wyoming State Veterinary Laboratory (WSVL). Diagnostic duties include parasitological examinations on diverse species of animals to diagnose causes of disease. In addition, successful applicants will establish and/or maintain extramurally funded and/or collaborative research programs, teach at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and collaborate with a vibrant community of basic and clinical scientists within Veterinary Sciences and other degree programs. Position duties and anticipated percentage efforts are: professional diagnostic service and extension in the WSVL (40%) including: supervision of daily operations, long-term planning, and development of a modern, service-oriented animal diagnostic parasitology laboratory; research or creative activity (30%), teaching (25%) and University service (5%).

The position offers excellent potential for collaboration and professional growth. Traditional parasitological methods will be employed as well as molecular diagnostics such as PCR and sequencing/genome analysis. There is a need for development of improved or novel approaches for diagnosis of important parasite pathogens in a wide number of animal species. The WSVL has a good working relationship with the Wyoming Department of Health, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, and other governmental agencies and non-governmental organizations.

The University of Wyoming, a land grant institution, is the only four-year university in the state. The University is located in rural southern Wyoming in the small city of Laramie, population approximately 30,000, close to excellent outdoor activities in the nearby Snowy and Laramie Ranges and near cultural and other amenities along the Front Range of Colorado. For more information department and the Laramie area, please visit: http://www.uwyo.edu/vetsci/ and http://visitlaramie.org/.
The University of Wyoming is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or protected veteran status or any other characteristic protected by law and University policy. Please see www.uwyo.edu/diversity/fairness.

We conduct background investigations for all final candidates being considered for employment. Offers of employment are contingent upon the completion of the background check.

Application Materials Required:

Review of applications will begin March 1, 2016, and will continue until a suitable candidate is identified. To be considered please send: 1) a cover letter outlining qualifications 2) curriculum vita, and 3) names and contact information for three professional references (electronic submission as PDF files preferred) to Dr. Ernest (Search Committee Chair) care of Ms. Marjorie Jaeger ( MJaeger@uwyo.edu). Individuals with questions are encouraged to contact Dr. Ernest by email (hernest@uwyo.edu) or telephone [(307) 766-9925].