



Oklahoma State University
Division of Agricultural Sciences & Natural Resources
Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Assistant Professor
Natural Resource Economics and Finance

Mission:

The OSU Department of **Natural Resource Ecology and Management (NREM)** conducts interdisciplinary research, instruction, and extension education to address the sustainable management and conservation of the fishery, forest, rangeland, and wildlife resources of Oklahoma and beyond.

Description:

This is a full-time, eleven-month, tenure-track position, approximately 75% research and 25% teaching. The research appointment is in the Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station (OAES) and the instructional appointment is in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. This position reports directly to the Head of the Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management.

Responsibilities:

Conduct research and teach in the area of natural resource economics and finance in cooperation with NREM faculty and other natural resource professionals. Department support will be provided in a collaborative research and teaching environment. The individual is expected to participate in collaborative activities with appropriate Department and OAES faculty. Working relationships with other University units and professionals within the region and the nation is strongly encouraged and expected. Oklahoma State University also has a long history of supporting international activities.

1. Establish a nationally recognized externally funded research program in the general area of natural resource economics and finance responsive to the needs of the State of Oklahoma and the region, and in cooperation with NREM faculty, agricultural economists, and other natural resource professionals. Desirable areas of research include, but are not limited to, applications of economics and decision theory to natural resource topics such as non-industrial private forestlands; ecosystem management, conservation, restoration and sustainability; endangered species recovery; invasive species; rural development; valuing non-production amenities; environmental quality; and timber production.
2. Teaching responsibilities will include an undergraduate junior level course in Natural Resource Economics and Finance and a senior level forestry Capstone course. Development of a graduate level course in the natural resource economics and finance arena will be expected, with specific topics dependant on the training and interests of the successful candidate and the interests and needs of the Department.
3. Advise and mentor undergraduate students.
4. Recruit, mentor and train graduate students.
5. Serve on Departmental, Division and University committees appropriate to interests, responsibilities, and organizational mission.
6. Prepare annual goals and objectives, and participate in the yearly appraisal and development process.

Qualifications:

1. A Ph.D. in natural resource economics or closely related field. A B.S. degree in forestry required.
2. Ability and strong interest in instruction and advisement of undergraduate students.
3. Ability and desire to work closely and cooperatively with the **NREM** faculty and other Division of Agricultural and Natural Resource professionals to develop and maintain an active research program, to include publishing in leading scientific journals, and demonstrated interest and ability to seek and secure extramural funding to support research.
4. Ability and desire to work closely and cooperatively with the **NREM** faculty and other Division professionals to deliver quality educational opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students.
5. Strong communication skills.

Employment Conditions:

The position will be filled by May 1, 2008, or as soon thereafter as a qualified candidate is available. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Application Procedures:

For a profile of NREM see <http://www.nrem.okstate.edu>. Individuals wishing to apply should submit a letter of application, transcripts, professional résumé, and the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of 3 to 5 references. The references should be knowledgeable about the applicant's professional qualifications. Review of applications will begin on January 7, 2008, and will continue until a suitable applicant is identified. Applications, nominations, and questions should be directed to:

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Equal Employment Opportunity:

Applicants will be considered without discrimination for any non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, disability, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran.

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