



Position Announcement-Graduate Research Assistantship

Graduate Research Assistantship

M.S. or Ph.D. in Animal Science

College of Agriculture, Food and Life Science

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Major Area: Meat Science

Position Description: A graduate research assistantship (M.S. or Ph.D.) is available for studies within the Department of Animal Science at the University of Arkansas. The selected student will work under the direction of Dr. Kelly Vierck in the area of meat science and muscle biology. Studies conducted will focus on meat quality, flavor development, shelf life, and other meat science topics. Students will have the opportunity to learn a range of laboratory techniques and conduct research as directed by the PI. The selected student will be given the opportunity to be involved with laboratory analyses, project design, data collection, program implementation, data analyses, technical writing and public speaking through presenting at conferences. Teaching undergraduate courses in animal science and working in the meat laboratory may also be expected depending upon prior training and departmental needs. Scholarly activity resulting in peer reviewed publications and presentations is required. This position is a twelve-month appointment, and considered a half-time assistantship averaging 20 hours per week. Some evening and weekend commitments will be expected.

The University of Arkansas is located in Fayetteville, Arkansas and has an enrollment of 27,500 students. The assistantship includes a stipend and tuition waiver. For more information regarding the University of Arkansas Department of Animal Science visit our website at: <https://animal-science.uark.edu/programs/graduate.php>

Qualifications: Prior educational training in Animal Science, Food Science, or closely related discipline. Acceptance and enrollment at University of Arkansas. Ability to work with animals in their natural environment, collect samples, analyze data, possess a valid driver's license, be able to lift 50 pounds, work in cold environments, as well as write and speak English proficiently.

First Review of Applicants: 10/26/2020, review of applicants will continue until the position is filled. Students can be accepted for a fall semester or spring semester start. Please submit a resume or CV and unofficial transcripts to vierck@uark.edu.

For more information about the position, contact Dr. Kelly Vierck, Department of Animal Science, University of Arkansas, 479-575-7283; vierck@uark.edu.