

Position Announcement - Livestock Industries Program Coordinator & Livestock Judging Coach

Michigan State University, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Department of Animal Science

TITLE & POSITION: Academic Specialist in the Department of Animal Science at Michigan State University, E. Lansing, MI (continuing appointment).

BACKGROUND: Michigan State University is the Pioneer Land Grant University and is an international leader in agricultural instruction. The Department of Animal Science is recognized for excellence in teaching and learning, as well as, high quality farm centers and livestock. The Institute of Agricultural Technology (IAT) delivers innovative, educational programs that develop career-ready graduates through intensive, practical, hands-on learning and skill enhancement.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The position will offer the opportunity to provide leadership for the IAT Livestock Industries certification program within the Department of Animal Science. Responsibilities include recruitment, counseling, and advising of IAT students. The individual will be active in developing and instructing IAT and undergraduate livestock management, and livestock and carcass evaluation educational programs. The position will be responsible for coordinating the Michigan State University Collegiate Livestock Judging Team. The successful applicant will be encouraged to foster relationships with the livestock industry, high school counselors and teachers, youth livestock educators, and diverse communities throughout Michigan.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Required Master of Science in an agricultural-related discipline
Teaching experience and advising of students
Livestock or meats judging team experience

Preferred Experience in student teaching and advising at the collegiate level
Experience with teaching livestock selection carcass evaluation courses
Experience in program management and evaluation
Experience with advising students, career planning, and placement assistance
Experience in recruitment and student retention
Collegiate livestock or meats judging team coaching

SALARY: Competitive, commensurate with background and experience. An attractive benefit package is available.

APPLICATION: To apply, applicants must submit an application at the MSU Human Resources site at <https://jobs.msu.edu>, **posting 4232**, or <https://jobs.msu.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=69097> and upload the following:

1. Letter of application, including a summary of relevant experiences and accomplishments
2. A detailed curriculum vita
3. A summary of teaching activities and statement of teaching philosophy
4. Official academic transcripts
5. Names and contact information for three references

For questions about the position, please contact Dr. Dan Buskirk, Search Committee Chair, Department of Animal Science, 474 S. Shaw Ln. Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824, buskirk@msu.edu, 517-432-0400.

For questions about the application process, please contact Ms. Robbyn Davenport, 517-884-7853, smithro@msu.edu.

Review of applications will begin November 28, 2016, and will continue until a suitable candidate is selected.