Position Announcement/Advertisement

Position Title: Assistant Professor—Crop Production Systems, Texas A&M AgriLife Research-Vernon (100%); this is a 12-month non-tenure track research faculty appointment, with an academic appointment in the Soil and Crop Sciences Department at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas.

General Duties and Responsibilities: Conduct research to develop and evaluate regenerative cropping systems in a semi-arid environment. The faculty member will be expected to establish cooperative projects and multi-disciplinary team research in the areas of integrated cropping systems with traditional and alternative crops, soil and water management, improved water use efficiency, and improve sustainability of the Region’s agriculture under dryland and limited-irrigation conditions. The scientist will lead or contribute to interactive and collaborative team research. The scientist will be expected to publish refereed journal articles and technical papers, secure external funding, communicate effectively with collaborative faculty and clientele groups, and supervise assigned technical staff or graduate students.

Vernon Center Vision
Become a major dryland climate change research center for the Southern Great Plains conducting research to regenerate ecosystem function under drier and warmer scenarios. Faculty strengths include hydrology, GHG emissions monitoring, rangeland and cropland restoration, tillage systems, alternative cropping systems, soil and water conservation and soil health, livestock and pasture management, systems modeling, and natural resource economics.

Required Qualifications and Experience: Ph.D. in cropping systems, agronomy, soil science or related disciplines is required by date of appointment. The successful candidate must demonstrate knowledge and research experience in crop production systems, soil/water/nutrient management, and/or no-till cropping systems. Applicant must have demonstrated ability to conduct research, supervise assigned support staff or graduate students, publish in refereed scientific literature, obtain significant extramural funding for research, exhibit strong computer skills, communicate and interact effectively with colleagues and clientele groups involved in team research. Post-doctoral research experience in sustainable agronomic systems is preferred. A basic knowledge of farm machinery and irrigation systems operations appropriate to the region served is desirable also.

Headquarters for this position: Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Vernon, TX

Closing Date for Applications: January 12, 2015, or until filled.

Date Position is Available: January 1, 2015.

Application Process: Please apply online at https://greatjobs.tamu.edu. Questions should be directed to: Dr. W. Richard Teague, Professor (Search Committee Chair) (RTeague@ag.tamu.edu); or Dr. John M. Sweeten, Resident Director (j-sweeten@tamu.edu). Mailing/physical address: Texas A&M AgriLife Research-Vernon, P.O. Box 1658, 11708 Highway 70 South, Vernon, Texas (USA) 76385. Phone: 940-552-9941; fax: 940-553-2317.

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