

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT DESCRIPTION

Professor and Head Department of Forestry Mississippi State University

Position Description:

The head is a full-time administrative position and reports to the Dean of the College of Forest Resources (CFR), the Director of the Forest and Wildlife Research Center (FWRC), and the Director of the Mississippi State University Extension Services (MSU-ES). The head provides visionary leadership for all aspects of the department's current and future activities in teaching, research, extension, and service. The head is responsible for the administrative management, fostering teamwork among faculty, staff and students of the department by using appropriate communications, management methods, and organizational guidelines to develop, enable, implement and evaluate programs. The head fosters relationships and communication with other academic and center/institute heads on- and off-campus, other CFR/FWRC/MSU-ES/DAFVM administrators, and external stakeholders. The head is responsible for managing appropriated funds, extramural support as gifts, grants and/or contracts, allocating departmental resources, making timely decisions, delegating responsibility and motivating faculty and staff toward accomplishment of defined teaching, research and extension objectives, as well as other scholarly activities on- and off-campus.

Departmental Profile

The Department of Forestry is one of three Departments in College of Forest Resources and the Mississippi State University's Forest and Wildlife Research Center. The 24 faculty has diverse teaching, research and outreach expertise including forest biology and watershed management; forest economics, management and policy; forest measurements and spatial technology; and wood supply systems. The Department has two accredited undergraduate degree programs with 197 students along with 37 graduate students in both on-campus and distance graduate programs. The MSU John W. Starr Memorial Forest, an 8244 acre forest and the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge and Tombigbee National Forest are near the University and are used for teaching, research and Extension activities

Salary and Benefits: Highly Competitive

Application Procedure:

All applicants must apply online at www.msujobs.edu and attach a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of programmatic leadership and vision, and the complete contact information for at least three reference. References will not be contacted without notification of the applicant. Applicants must complete the Personal Data Information form found at www.jobs.msstate.edu. (Search postings for PARF# 497876). For more information about this position and the Position contact Search Committee chair Keith Coble (keith.coble@msstate.edu, 662-325-6670) or visit the departmental website (<http://www.cfr.msstate.edu/forestry/>). Applications will be accepted until the position is filled with initial screening and interview arrangements to begin on **February 1, 2019**.

Equal Employment Opportunity Statement:

MSU is an equal opportunity employer, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, ethnicity, sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), national origin, disability status, age, sexual orientation, genetic information, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law. We always welcome nominations and applications from women, members of any minority group, and others who share our passion for building a diverse community that reflects the diversity in our student population.