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**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT # 00013253
REQUISITION # 60325**

Title: Extension Assistant Professor, Forest Economics and Business

Location: School of Forest Resources and Conservation
University of Florida
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
Gainesville, Florida

Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Review Date: For full consideration, candidates should apply and submit additional materials by December 31, 2020. The position will remain open until a viable applicant pool is determined.

Duties and Responsibilities

The [Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences](#) is committed to creating an environment that affirms diversity across a variety of dimensions, including ability, class, ethnicity/race, gender identity and expression. We particularly welcome applicants who can contribute to such an environment through their scholarship, teaching, mentoring, and professional service. We strongly encourage historically underrepresented groups to apply.

If an accommodation due to a disability is needed to apply for this position, please call 352-392-2477 or the Florida Relay System at 800-955-8771 (TDD) or visit [Accessibility at UF](#) .

This is a 12-month position that will be 60% extension (Florida Cooperative Extension Service), 40% teaching (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), and available in the **School of Forest Resources and Conservation**, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, at the University of Florida. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit. The position is not tenure accruing. Duties will include developing a robust outreach (Extension) program aimed at forest landowners, forest products companies, and associated stakeholders in forest business/forest economics. Example outreach programming topics could include: developing markets for forest products and services; assessing costs, benefits, and financial implications of different forest management scenarios; long-term trends in costs, product prices, and other economic data; forest land appraisal; assessing the availability of silvicultural contractors, logging firms, and related; and/or the taxation of land, forest products, and ecosystem services. The faculty member will seek contract and grant funding to support their outreach program.

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Teaching duties will include offering undergraduate and graduate courses on topics including forest economics and management, natural resource economics and valuation, and related subjects. The faculty member will mentor undergraduate and graduate students by serving on graduate committees, supervising extension projects involving students, and chairing graduate student committees if relevant. The faculty member will be also be expected to: participate in curriculum revision and enhancement; seek funding for the teaching program where appropriate; publish teaching-related scholarship; produce learning tools; and engage in professional development activities related to teaching and advising. Faculty are encouraged to support and participate in the CALS Honors Program, distance education, and international education.

Qualifications

Required:

Either a master's degree plus 10 years of relevant experience, or a doctorate (foreign equivalent acceptable) in forest economics, forest business, or a closely related discipline. Significant experience with topics related to forest business, economics, forest markets, taxation, land appraisal, or related topics. Candidates should have demonstrated skills in verbal and written communication, interpersonal relationships, forming and working in partnership with industry, agencies, and organizations. Candidates must be supportive of the Land-Grant system mission. Candidates must also have a commitment to IFAS core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability.

Preferred:

Demonstrated ability to procure extramural funding to support Extension programming.

Background Information:

The University of Florida (<http://www.ufl.edu>) is a Land-Grant, Sea-Grant, and Space-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 56,000 students. UF is a member of The Association of American Universities. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (<http://ifas.ufl.edu>) includes the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (<http://cals.ufl.edu>), the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://research.ifas.ufl.edu>), the Florida Cooperative Extension Service (<http://extension.ifas.ufl.edu>), the College of Veterinary Medicine (<http://www.vetmed.ufl.edu>), the Florida Sea Grant program (<http://www.flseagrant.org/>), and encompasses 16 on-campus academic departments and schools, 12 Research and Educational Centers (REC) located throughout the state, 6 Research sites/demonstration units administered by RECs or academic departments, and Florida Cooperative Extension Service offices in all 67 counties (counties operate and maintain). The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. UF/IFAS employs nearly 4,500 people, which includes approximately 990 salaried faculty and 1,400 permanent support personnel located in Gainesville and throughout the state. IFAS, one of the nation's largest agricultural and natural resources research and education organizations, is administered by a Senior Vice President and four deans: the Dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, the Dean for Extension and Director of the Florida Cooperative Extension Service, the Dean for Research and Director of the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine. UF/IFAS also engages in cooperative work with Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

The School of Forest Resources and Conservation (www.sfrc.ufl.edu) has teaching, research, and extension education programs in three broad areas: Forest Resources and Conservation; Geomatics (surveying, mapping, remote sensing, GIS, and GPS); and Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences. The SFRC

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has 60 faculty members, 60 administrative and programmatic staff, 250 graduate students, and 350 undergraduate students. The School offers bachelor's degrees in Forest Resources and Conservation, Natural Resource Conservation, Geomatics, and Marine Sciences; thesis and non-thesis master's degrees in all focal areas, including a number of innovative distance education master's programs; and Ph.D. degrees in all focal areas.

The School is committed to supporting work-life balance, and creating an environment that promotes and supports a more diverse and welcoming faculty, student body, and overall workforce within the School (<http://sfrc.ufl.edu/people/diversity-committee/>). We particularly welcome applicants who can contribute to such an environment through their scholarship, teaching, Cooperative Extension/outreach, mentoring, and professional service.

Employment Conditions

This position is available June 1, 2020, and will be filled as soon thereafter as an acceptable applicant is available. Compensation is commensurate with the education, experience, and qualifications of the selected applicant.

Nominations

Nominations are welcome. Nominations need to include the complete name and address of the nominee. This information should be sent to:

Please refer to Requisition # 60325

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Application Information

- Individuals wishing to apply should go **online** to <http://apply.interfolio.com/75096> and submit:
 - Cover letter that states applicant's interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above
 - Full resume/curriculum vitae
 - Statements of:
 - Teaching and/or mentoring philosophies (or teaching portfolio, if applicable)
 - Experience and potential for working with stakeholders from diverse backgrounds. Describe how you would develop outreach/Extension projects that would address the forest business/economics-related issues of stakeholders.
 - Commitment to diversity (knowledge, track record, and plans for advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion)

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- (as 'other document') Names and contact information for at least 3 references, preferably who can speak to the applicant's teaching, mentoring, and outreach experience.

Selected candidate will be required to provide an official transcript to the hiring department upon hire. A transcript will not be considered "official" if a designation of "Issued to Student" is visible. Degrees earned from an education institution outside of the United States are required to be evaluated by a professional credentialing service provider approved by [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services \(NACES\)](#).

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