



University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Position Announcement



Professor and Head, Department of Agricultural Economics
Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR)
University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is seeking applications and nominations for the position of Head, Department of Agricultural Economics. The department offers a nationally recognized undergraduate program in Agricultural Business and also has majors in Agricultural Economics and Natural Resource and Environmental Economics. PhD and MS degrees are offered in Agricultural Economics, including joint MS programs with Animal Science and Statistics. Several faculty members have joint appointments with the School of Natural Resources which enables them to direct students pursuing degrees in Natural Resources. An MBA with agribusiness specialization, jointly administered with the College of Business Administration, is also offered. Research and Extension programs provide education and information to the state, region, nation, and world. For more information about the Department and this position, visit the web site at <http://www.agecon.unl.edu>. For more information on IANR, visit the web site at <http://www.ianr.unl.edu>.

This position is a 12-month, 1.00 FTE, administrative assignment. The administrative split could be apportioned among research, teaching or extension interests. The Ag Economics Department Head is responsible for the administration and leadership of the teaching, research, extension/outreach, and international activities in the department. Specific duties include, but are not limited to:

- Responsible to the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) Deans and Directors which includes the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR), Agricultural Research Division (ARD), and Cooperative Extension Division (CED), and to the IANR Vice Chancellor.
- Provide leadership for the development, implementation, and evaluation of departmental graduate and undergraduate teaching, research, and extension programs in accordance with University and IANR strategic and action plans.
- Develop and administer budgets for the departmental programs. Work closely with faculty in establishing program priorities and plans, in allocating physical, budgetary, and support staff resources, and in pursuing internal and external grant support.
- Facilitate recruitment, development, and retention of departmental faculty and staff.
- Oversee agricultural economics programs at research and extension centers.
- Coordinate and participate in undergraduate and graduate student recruitment and retention activities in the department, the college and the university.
- Provide administrative leadership for faculty and staff assigned to the unit with major attention to professional development and evaluation, and participate in joint evaluation of faculty with research and extension directors and heads or chairs.
- Foster interdisciplinary ties with appropriate departments and programs within the University.
- Encourage linkages with external groups to strengthen ties with stakeholders, state, regional, national and international organizations, governmental agencies (state and federal), non-governmental organizations, alumni and the citizens of Nebraska.
- Coordinate and develop plans for facility use. Provide liaison between the administration and the faculty on recommendations/actions which are subject to approval at a level beyond the department.
- Maintain a productive environment for research, teaching, extension, public service and international programs, and within available time, participate in these activities.
- Promote compliance with federal and state regulations regarding hazardous wastes, safety, and other regulations.
- Ensure that all programs of the department are administered according to the University's Equity, Access and Diversity program.
- Maintain an inclusive climate in the unit.
- Work with the Department's advisory board.
- Carry out other duties as assigned or needed to advance the departmental role and mission.

Applicants must have an earned doctoral degree in Agricultural Economics, Economics, or a closely related field, and must meet the qualifications for appointment as a tenured professor. Applicants must have the demonstrated skills and abilities to undertake the responsibilities of the department head as outlined. Familiarity with the Land-Grant system is highly desirable.

Salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. The University of Nebraska offers a benefits package that makes available group life, health, disability insurance and family coverage programs to the employee; TIAA/CREF and/or Fidelity Investment fund retirement plans; excellent vacation and sick leave plans; and staff and dependent tuition remission.

Kincannon & Reed has been retained by The University of Nebraska-Lincoln to recruit candidates for the position of Head, Department of Agricultural Economics.

*For consideration as a candidate
or to suggest a prospective candidate, please contact in confidence:*

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OR

Written nominations should be submitted to the Co-Chairs of the Search Advisory Committee at the following address:

Dr. Ray Supalla and Dr. Elbert Dickey, Search Advisory Committee Co-Chairs
c/o Office of the NU Vice President and IANR Vice Chancellor
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
P. O. Box 830708, 202 Agricultural Hall
Lincoln, NE 68583-0708

Interested parties making application should access the web site: <http://employment.unl.edu>, search for requisition number 090464 and complete the faculty academic administrative information form. Attach a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and contact information (mailing address, phone number, and e-mail address, if available) for three professional references.

Review of applications will begin Friday, November 13, 2009, and continue until the position is filled or the search is closed.

The University of Nebraska has an active National Science Foundation ADVANCE gender equity program, and is committed to a pluralistic campus community through affirmative action, equal opportunity, work-life balance, and dual careers.

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INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN

The Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (established in 1973 by the Nebraska State Legislature to give added emphasis to agriculture and the management of natural resources in Nebraska) serves the people of Nebraska in the four-fold mission of teaching, research, extension and service. Commonly referred to as "IANR," the Institute is administered by the Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Natural Resources and has faculty and staff located throughout the State. IANR faculty and staff have appointments in the following divisions: **Agricultural Research Division, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, College of Education and Human Sciences** (research and extension), **and Cooperative Extension Division**. Each division is administered by a Dean or Director. The Institute is comprised of 15 academic departments, four regional research and extension centers, several interdisciplinary centers and program units. The IANR Vice Chancellor holds the Vice President title in the University of Nebraska system and is also administratively responsible for the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis. Visit the IANR web site at www.ianr.unl.edu.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, "THE STAR CITY" – A PLACE TO WORK AND ENJOY LIFE

Lincoln, Nebraska, a community of more than 250,000 people, offers the ambience of a friendly small town while offering attractions and entertainment opportunities of a metropolitan area. Lincoln is a young city with a bright future of planned growth and expansion. It is one of the fastest growing non-Sun Belt cities in the U.S. and one of the fastest growing metro areas in the Midwest.

The capital city of Nebraska, Lincoln is home to state government and the flagship campus of the University of Nebraska system. The city also hosts Nebraska Wesleyan University, Union College, Southeast Community College, Doane College-Lincoln and the Kaplan University-Lincoln Campus. Lincoln has an excellent educational system and ranks in the top 20 least stressful cities in the nation for children. Residents enjoy nationally ranked sporting events, world famous performing arts, and a variety of cultural activities. Among the attractions: the 2,200-seat Lied Center for Performing Arts, the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden, four history museums, a planetarium, observatory, many private art galleries, four live-stage theater venues, a civic auditorium, the 82,000 seat Memorial Stadium, 14,400 seat Devaney Center and new baseball/softball stadium facilities.

Lincoln, Nebraska boasts an outstanding quality of life that includes fine culinary and artistic treasures, a budding live music scene and numerous parks, golf courses and bike trails. In 2008, WebMD reported that Lincoln was the healthiest city in the United States.

Cost-of-living ranks 3 to 5 percent below the national average of comparable cities with among the nation's lowest health care costs, utility bills and insurance rates. Lincoln's low crime rate, efficient transportation, stable business environment and advanced health care technology are a few reasons why Lincoln ranks high in livability studies.

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You are invited to explore Lincoln on-line for the most current information.

www.unl.edu

University of Nebraska-Lincoln homepage

www.nebraska.edu

Web site for the University of Nebraska four-campus system

www.lped.com

The Lincoln Partnership for Economic Development offers extensive information on demographics, education, health care, cost of living and tax structures.

www.lcoc.com

The Lincoln Chamber of Commerce offers business and community information and a relocation directory.

www.lincoln.org

The Lincoln/Lancaster County Convention and Visitors Bureau offers information on attractions, entertainment, recreation, dining, shopping and transportation.

www.state.ne.us

The official web site of Nebraska State Government

www.ci.lincoln.ne.us

The official site of Lincoln City Government

The University of Nebraska is committed to a pluralistic campus community through affirmative action and equal opportunity and is responsive to the needs of dual career couples. We assure accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act; contact Linda Arnold at 402-472-3802 for assistance. It is the policy of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln not to discriminate based on gender, age, disability, race, color, religion, marital status, veteran's status, national or ethnic origin or sexual orientation. AA/EEO details may be secured by contacting the Office of Equity, Access and Diversity Programs, 128 Canfield Administration Building, P. O. Box 880747, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68588-0747, or by phoning 402-472-3417. Employment eligibility verification is required for all new hires pursuant to the Immigration and Control Act of 1986.