

Endowed Chair Associate or Full Professor and Director, Center for Agroforestry

Position: H.E. Garrett Endowed Chair Professor and Director, Center for Agroforestry (www.centerforagroforestry.org), The School of Natural Resources (snr.missouri.edu). This is a 9-month tenure-track appointment. Faculty Rank (Associate or Full) and salary are commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Starting date: August 1, 2023 or as negotiated

Responsibilities:

Administration - The incumbent will hold the title, H. E. Garrett Endowed Professor of Agroforestry and Director, University of Missouri, Center for Agroforestry. This Center, located in the School of Natural Resources, is a hallmark of interdisciplinary research and employs 11 scientists and staff and is widely recognized for its excellence. The Center is provided office and laboratory space by the University but is dependent upon extramural funding for operating dollars. It is the responsibility of the Endowed Professor and Director to provide leadership in the procurement of funding and in guiding the Center's research efforts.

Research - The successful candidate will be expected to develop a nationally-recognized extramurally funded agroforestry research program in his/her specialized field. The Center's research program is supported by two outlying Agricultural Experiment Station (AES) research farms. The Horticulture and Agroforestry Research Farm, New Franklin, MO, is a 660-acre research farm consisting primarily of Missouri River hills loess soils but has more than 250 acres of floodplain to support diverse research efforts (e.g., it contains sophisticated outdoor drought simulation and flood tolerance laboratories, and major germplasm collections of pecan, black walnut, hybridized hazelnut and chestnut). The Land of the Osages Research Farm, Laurie, MO, is a 510 acre farm located in the Missouri Ozarks consisting primarily of oak-hickory forest, including rare glade ecosystems, along with ~80 acres of warm season grass prairie. Research relating to all temperate-zone agroforestry practices is represented across these and other outlying AES farms. The position will strengthen growing interdisciplinary education, research and outreach programs, enhance capability of winning major grants and forming innovative new partnerships with private and public partners, and contribute greatly toward improving grant and publication metrics considered in the AAU rankings.

Teaching - The incumbent is expected to teach a dual level (4000/7000) undergraduate/graduate online course in agroforestry and develop an online graduate level course (8000 level) in an area related to the successful candidate's expertise that would complement current course offerings in agroforestry. The incumbent is also expected to advise graduate students (MS and PhD) and postdoctoral research associates. The Center currently offers on campus and online master's degrees in agroforestry along with an online graduate certificate.

Minimum Qualifications - A Ph.D. is required, with at least one degree in natural resources, agroforestry, agroecology, or a related area.

Candidates will be evaluated on - Administrative experience is highly desirable along with demonstrated leadership abilities. The successful candidate should have national recognition as a scientist in agroforestry or a closely related discipline, with a proven track record in refereed, peer-reviewed publications and extramural grant support.

About UMCA: The University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry (UMCA) established as a "Big C" Center in 1998, nationally and internationally recognized as one of the world's premier agroforestry programs. UMCA is a comprehensive Center covering basic and applied research,

graduate education, outreach and economic development. UMCA is a “Program of Distinction” within the College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources (CAFNR), recognized for its excellence. UMCA includes 10 faculty and staff, and a graduate enrollment (campus MS, online MS, online graduate certificate) averaging 45 students per year.

About MU: MU, the flagship institution in the University of Missouri System, has nearly 31,000 undergraduate and graduate students. It is a land grant institution and a member of the Association of American Universities. Located midway between St. Louis and Kansas City, Columbia is a vibrant small city that is consistently ranked among the top such places to live in across America. The School of Natural Resources awards B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees in Natural Resources with emphases in multiple sub-disciplines. Detailed information about the programs and faculty is available at <http://snr.missouri.edu>. The School operates many laboratory and greenhouse facilities and has access to extensive field areas available within the College of Agriculture's AES Research, Extension and Education Centers network (<https://moaes.missouri.edu/>). The School of Natural Resources has robust collaborative ties to state and federal agencies charged with managing natural resources and numerous opportunities are available to access and conduct research on the extensive and diverse public lands surrounding Columbia.

Application: To apply for this position, please visit the MU web site at <https://hr.missouri.edu/job-openings>; Job ID 43768. Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, narrative of teaching philosophy, narrative of current and future research interests, and the names and contact information of three references. Review of applications will begin on October 31, 2022 and will continue until the position is filled.

For additional information about the position, please contact Dr. Patrick Market (MarketP@missouri.edu), Director of the School of Natural Resources.

Diversity Commitment

The University of Missouri is fully committed to achieving the goal of a diverse and inclusive academic community of faculty, staff and students. We seek individuals who are committed to this goal and our core campus values of respect, responsibility, discovery and excellence. Candidates applying for this position are required to provide a statement addressing how they would utilize their former experience and knowledge to promote diversity and inclusion at the university and how that commitment would add value to the School of Natural Resources.

Equal Employment Opportunity

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To request ADA accommodations, please call the Disability Inclusion and ADA Compliance Manager at 573-884-7278.