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The Department of Nutrition and Exercise Sciences (NES) in the College of Health and Human Sciences at Oregon State University invites applications for the new position of Director of the Bionutrition Research Program. We are seeking an internationally renowned nutritional scientist who can maintain a competitive federally funded research program focused on the study of the mechanisms by which diet or nutrients modulate cellular and physiological functions in the process of disease prevention or health promotion using contemporary technology. Of particular interest would be applicants studying how nutritional factors modulate obesity, diabetes or other associated chronic diseases. There is opportunity and commitment to expand the focus under the leadership of the new director. Collaborative projects that link to the research interests of existing faculty in the department are strongly encouraged. Competitive salary, laboratory space and start-up package are available.

Responsibilities:
This is a tenured or tenure-track Associate or Full Professor-rank faculty position with a 25% administrative component. Responsibilities of the Director will be to build an interdisciplinary, extramurally funded bionutrition research program and interface nutrition with contemporary biology at the molecular and cellular level. The successful candidate will be not only an outstanding investigator, but will have a plan for building a graduate curriculum and program in the bionutrition area, will mentor graduate students, will engage undergraduate students in the research process, as well as providing institutional, professional and community service.

Qualifications:
The ideal applicant will possess advanced training in nutrition sciences (Ph.D., M.D. or equivalent) and have an exceptional research record. To be considered: 1) at the level of Associate Professor: hold a major extramural grant and experience at the Assistant Professor level; 2) at the level of Full Professor: hold one or more major extramural grants that fully fund the applicant’s research program, have eight years of experience at a faculty rank, and be nationally recognized as an expert in the field of nutrition. Preference will be given to those applicants with leadership experience working in collaborative research teams, high quality peer-reviewed publications; extramural funding; service on study sections or other national advisory bodies; previous university teaching experience; and a demonstrable commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity.

Department, College and University Information:
Oregon State University, with Carnegie Doctoral/Research-Extensive Status, is one of only ten universities in the United States to hold a Land-, Sea-, and Space-Grant designation. The College of Health and Human Sciences has approximately 2,500 students including 250 graduate students. The mission of the College is to advance knowledge, to improve the lives, health, and environments of individuals, families and communities.

The Department of Nutrition and Exercise Sciences is newly formed from the merger of the respective previous departments. The new Department integrates two complementary scientific disciplines that focus on optimal health and disease prevention through the lifestyle factors of nutrition and physical activity. The Department is fully engaged in the teaching, research and service missions of the University with flourishing academic programs, federally funded research laboratories, and a strong emphasis on outreach through its Extension programs. Bionutrition has been identified as one of the signature research areas of the new Department. The Bionutrition program will enhance interdisciplinary research and collaboration, allowing NES research programs to extend from molecular to clinical aspects of nutrition science.

Oregon State University is located in the Willamette Valley between Portland and Eugene. Ocean beaches, lakes, rivers, forest, high desert, and the rugged Cascade and Coastal mountain ranges all are within 100 miles of Corvallis. Approximately 15,500 undergraduate and 3,400 graduate students are enrolled at OSU, including 2,500 U.S. students of color and 1,200 international students. The University has an institution-wide commitment to diversity and multiculturalism, and provides a welcoming atmosphere with unique professional opportunities for leaders who are women and people of color. All are encouraged to apply.

For further information, visit the Department web page at: www.hhs.oregonstate.edu/nus

Submit letter of application, vita, and the names and contact information of three people who can serve as references to:
Search Committee, c/o Wendy Gayler, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences, Oregon State University, 214 Langton Hall, Corvallis, OR 97331-3293
For full consideration: April 21, 2006; the position is open until filled. Appointment begins July 1, 2006 (negotiable).

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