



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  
College of Human Sciences

## Department of Nutritional Sciences™

### **Open Rank – Community Nutrition Faculty Position**

**Application Due:** Review of applications will begin on February 1, 2021

**Type:** Nine month, Tenure-track

**Position Availability:** September 1, 2021 or negotiable

**Salary:** Competitive and commensurate with qualifications

#### **Position Description:**

The Department of Nutritional Sciences (NS) seeks an energetic faculty member with demonstrated research excellence in the area of Community Nutrition to join a growing department with 17 full time faculty. The successful applicant will contribute to the university's mission through teaching, research, and service by serving as a faculty member in our accredited graduate programs that include approximately 144 students in doctoral and master's degrees and dietetic internship. NS faculty also have the opportunity to teach in the growing undergraduate programs of 681 students across our majors, minors, and concentrations, which includes an accredited didactic program in dietetics. NS faculty engage in service activities with the department, college, university, community, and the profession.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Teach undergraduate and graduate courses, face-to-face and online.
- Mentor MS and PhD students and assist in recruitment of graduate students.
- Develop and maintain a high impact scholarly research program in community nutrition or a related area, via publications and external funding.
- Develop research collaboration both within and across disciplines in order to develop interdisciplinary research teams.
- Engage in outreach activities and perform service to the department, college, university, and the profession including involvement and leadership in national and or international professional associations.

#### **Required Qualifications:**

- An earned doctorate in dietetics, community nutrition, public health or related disciplines.
- Demonstrated record of effective teaching at the college level, commensurate with rank.

- Demonstrated potential (commensurate with rank) to secure extramural research grants and to engage in collaborative research projects in Community Nutrition.
- Demonstrated record of peer reviewed publications, commensurate with rank.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to interact successfully and work harmoniously with colleagues and students in a diverse community.

#### Preferred Qualifications:

- Demonstrated ability to utilize technology and online delivery methods.
- Leadership within the area of discipline and profession.
- Experience working with diverse student populations and first-generation and Hispanic students is highly desirable.
- Experience working with international students.
- Experience with extension services
- Credentialed as a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist by the Commission on Dietetic Registration.

#### Environment

This is a unique opportunity to join an expanding department that is committed to educating future leaders in nutritional sciences, and promoting basic, translational, clinical, and community research and teaching excellence. We offer several infrastructure and collaborative resources within the department and College of Human Sciences (COHS) and the Texas Tech System:

- The Department of Nutritional Sciences, in the COHS, has several faculty with strong basic, clinical/translational and community research programs focusing on obesity and co-morbid conditions such as diabetes, cancer, clinical nutrition, nutritional biochemistry, adipocyte biology, food insecurity, and community and international level interventions.
- The Department of Nutritional Sciences offers two Bachelor's degrees, two Masters degrees (including an online MS in nutrition and dietetics), and a PhD degree. It is a strong program with a Nutrition/Dietetics undergraduate option and a Dietetic Internship/Master's Degree Program that are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). Other undergraduate options are Pre-professional Health Careers; and Secondary Teacher Certification in Hospitality, Nutrition, and Food Science.
- Our Nutrition & Metabolic Health Initiative (NMHI) is focused on expanding our clinical research facilities and faculty to support our mission to become a nationally recognized clinical research institution.
- The faculty in the Department of Nutritional Sciences are involved in a number of clusters within Texas Tech University including the Obesity Research Institute, Food Security Cluster, and Bioinformatics and Biostatistics Cluster.
- Nutritional Sciences faculty collaborate with the TTU International Center for Food Industry Excellence (ICFIE) to provide innovation, research, and technology transfer throughout all aspects of the food continuum to meet today's consumer needs, domestically and internationally (<http://www.depts.ttu.edu/icfie/home.php>).
- NS faculty teach classes that are part of an online global food security graduate program.
- The Texas Tech University Health Science Center offers a wide range of collaborative opportunities in health sciences.

- Opportunities exist for partnerships with schools, AgriLife Extension and other community partners interested in community nutrition.

### **About Texas Tech University**

Focused on advancing higher education, health care, research and outreach, the Texas Tech University System is taking a leading role in meeting the global challenges of today and the future. Our component institutions –Texas Tech University, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Texas Tech School of Law, Angelo State University and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso are impacting the lives of individuals, not only in West Texas, but across the entire state, country and the world.

Lubbock, Texas is a vibrant community of over 295,000, located in the southern portion of the Texas panhandle. Surrounded by agriculture, the community's main businesses are agriculture, education, and medicine. Lubbock is a major medical hub with University Medical Center housing a Level 1 Trauma Center as well as the Texas Tech School of Medicine.

All employees are expected to exhibit and convey good citizenship within the program, the department, college, university activities, collegial interactions, and maintain the highest standards of integrity and ethical behavior.

Please apply online at <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/hr/workattexastech/> using requisition number 22407BR.

As an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer, Texas Tech University is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse faculty committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment. We actively encourage applications from all those who can contribute, through their research, teaching, and/or service, to the diversity and excellence of the academic community at Texas Tech University. The university welcomes applications from minorities, women, veterans, persons with disabilities, and dual-career couples.

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