POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT # 00013523
REQUISITION # 505018

Title: Assistant Professor - Nutritional Sciences and Director, Combined Master of Science – Dietetic Internship Program (MS-DI)

Location: Food Science and Human Nutrition Department
University of Florida
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
Gainesville, Florida

Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Review Date: To ensure full consideration please apply online and submit additional materials by 1/8/2018. Position will remain open until a viable applicant pool is determined.

Duties and Responsibilities
The Food Science and Human Nutrition (FSHN) Department, a unit of the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) at the University of Florida, invites applications for a 12-month tenure-accruing position that will be 45% teaching, 30% research, and 25% administrative. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit. Tenure will accrue in the department of Food Science and Human Nutrition.

Duties will include the following:

Teaching appointment
• Teach undergraduate and graduate nutrition and dietetics courses for students enrolled in an accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics, an accredited Master of Science - Dietetic Internship program, and the undergraduate Nutritional Sciences major.
• Engage in scholarly activities related to instruction.
• Advise and mentor undergraduate and graduate students.
• Participate in curriculum revision and enhancement.
• Seek funding for the teaching program.
• Supervise undergraduate and graduate research and creative work.
• Publish teaching-related scholarship.
• Produce learning tools.
• Engage in professional development activities related to teaching and advising.

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Faculty are also encouraged to support and participate in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) Honors Program, distance education, and international education.

*Research appointment*
- Develop and maintain a research program in clinical nutrition, potentially including integrative and functional nutrition, nutrigenomics, biomedical informatics, or another closely related specialty area.
- Actively seek contract and grant funding to support the program.
- Chair and serve on graduate committees.
- Supervise thesis and dissertation research, and publish results with graduate students.
- Supervise undergraduate research.
- Publish research-related scholarship.

*Administrative appointment: Director, Combined Master of Science – Dietetic Internship (MS-DI) Program*
- In collaboration with faculty, develop policies and procedures for effectively managing the MS-DI program (such as admission, retention and completion policies).
- Ensure fair, equitable and considerate treatment of prospective and enrolled interns.
- Oversee intern recruitment, advisement, evaluation and counseling.
- Maintain program accreditation through the Accreditation Council on Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND), including timely submission of fees, reports, and requests for major program changes.
- Maintain student records, including transcripts, Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) verification statements, rotation schedules, proposed programs of study, and verification statements at completion.
- Mediate and maintain records of complaints from interns or others, including disposition of such complaints.
- Continually review MS-DI program curriculum to meet current ACEND accreditation standards.
- Communicate, coordinate, and collaborate with program faculty, preceptors, and others involved with the program.
- Facilitate processes for continuous program evaluation and assessment of student learning outcomes.
- Submit required documentation supporting MS-DI student eligibility to take a Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) credentialing examination.

The above listed responsibilities align with those stipulated in the most recent version of the ACEND Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards for a Dietetic Internship.

Note that all IFAS faculty are expected to demonstrate commitment and responsibility to the three functions of the Land Grant mission; Teaching, Research, and Extension – regardless of the assignment split specified in the position description. Therefore, although not part of the formal assignment for this position, the successful candidate will also engage in Extension activities in his/her program area.

**Qualifications**

**Required Qualifications**
- A doctorate (foreign equivalent acceptable) in nutrition, dietetics, or a closely related discipline.

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- Registered Dietitian (RD) credential from the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR).
- License to practice dietetics in the state of Florida (or willingness and eligibility to become licensed in Florida).
- Minimum of 3 years professional experience post-credentialing.
- University-level teaching experience in an ACEND-accredited dietetics education program.
- Evidence of ability to secure external grant funding, engage in and publish research in peer-reviewed journals, and present at professional meetings.
- Demonstrated verbal and written communication skills.
- Strong interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrated commitment to the Land-Grant mission, and the IFAS core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability.

Preferred Qualifications
- Membership in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.
- Professional leadership experience, especially experience directing an ACEND-accredited program.
- Postdoctoral experience and clinical practice experience are desirable.

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 53,000 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. IFAS employs over 2500 people, which includes approximately 900 faculty and 1200 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 Food Science and Human Nutrition (FSHN) Department is a large, interdisciplinary unit within IFAS, and is comprised of three undergraduate majors: Food Science, Nutritional Sciences, and Dietetics. The 30 faculty conduct research, teaching, and extension programs in a broad range of areas, including trace element transport, food safety and microbiology, pre- and pro-biotics, phytochemical characterization, fruit and juice processing, micronutrient metabolism, and many other areas. Graduate level programs are competitive and provide the opportunity for graduate student mentorship. Please consult the departmental webpage for additional information (http://fshn.ifas.ufl.edu/).

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Employment Conditions
This position is available 1/8/2018 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. Desired start date is July 1, 2018 or earlier.

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 # 505018

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Application Information
- Individuals wishing to apply should go online to http://explore.jobs.ufl.edu/cw/en-us/job/505018 and submit:
  - Application
  - Cover letter that states applicant’s interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above
  - Curriculum vitae
  - Statement of Teaching Philosophy
- Official transcripts* showing receipt of the doctoral degree, and three letters of recommendation will be requested from applicants selected for interviews.

*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), which can be found at http://www.naces.org/.

The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. The selection process will be conducted in accord with the provisions of Florida’s ‘Government in the Sunshine’ and Public Records Laws. Persons with disabilities have the right to request and receive reasonable accommodation.

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