

College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences (ACES) University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Assistant Professor, Agricultural Communications

This is a nine-month, full-time, tenure-track Assistant Professor position in the Agricultural Communications Program in the College of ACES at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

We are seeking a dynamic candidate who will assume teaching and scholarship responsibility within the discipline of agricultural communications, with teaching and advisement of both undergraduate and graduate students. Service and scholarship to the program, college, university, and professional societies are expected. The successful candidate will have demonstrated a strong commitment to research and scholarly activities.

Duties and Responsibilities

Develop and teach undergraduate and graduate courses (including distance- delivered courses) with focus on courses that aim to develop strong writing skills among majors across the College of ACES.

Conduct a research, scholarly and engagement or outreach program in agricultural communications with emphasis on the development and strengthening of urban agriculture and food programs and initiatives.

Secure extramural funding in support of research and scholarly activities. This includes participating as a member of ACES and/or campus inter-disciplinary teams that submit proposals for funding.

Advise undergraduate students and advise graduate students in the tenure home.

Recruit and provide community outreach for the program.

Serve on program, college, and university committees.

Supervise student interns and student professional development experiences.

Required qualifications

Doctoral degree (Ed.D. or Ph.D.) in agricultural communications, agricultural education, journalism, life science communications, mass communications, or closely related discipline. Demonstrated ability in agricultural and environmental sciences communications, including written, oral, visual, and electronic. A strong potential for scholarly research and attracting extramural funding is expected.

Preferred qualifications

Three years of professional communication/journalism-related experience preferred. Experience using cutting-edge communication technologies preferred. Applicants who are outstanding teachers with experience in resident and distance instructional delivery preferred. It is preferred that candidates have a commitment to core values of excellence, innovation, diversity, global involvement, and public accountability. Applicants who have completed all doctoral course work and are actively working on their doctoral dissertation are encouraged to apply, but must complete their degrees before starting.

Salary: Commensurate with experience

Starting date: Aug. 16, 2018 or negotiable

Application Procedure

To apply, go to jobs.illinois.edu. Log in to your account and upload a letter of interest, Curriculum Vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, and research interest, as well as the names and contact information of three professional references. To receive full consideration, all requested application materials must be submitted via the online system by the close date of November 30, 2017.

Questions should be directed to: Dr. Prasanta Kalita at pkalita@illinois.edu and 333-3380.

The University of Illinois conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer.

The University of Illinois is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action employer. Minorities, women, veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit http://go.illinois.edu/EEO. To learn more about the University's commitment to diversity, please visit http://www.inclusiveillinois.illinois.edu.