

**Assistant/Associate Professor Position Available
Department of Agricultural & Resource Economics Colorado
State University, Fort Collins, CO**

POSITION:

Assistant/Associate Professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics
Specialization in Regional Economics

DESCRIPTION: 9-month, regular academic faculty appointment in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics. Funding for this position is approximately 30% teaching, 60% research, and 10% service. If hired at the Associate level, the funding will be approximately 40% teaching, 50% research, and 10% service, with up to 20% of teaching effort to be in the area of outreach programs.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Research responsibilities include developing a dynamic, externally funded research program applying state-of-the-art quantitative methods (such as spatial econometrics, CGE) and theory (such as IO, game theory) to real world issues in regional economics. Issues of interest may include, but are not limited to:

- development policy and planning for strengthening rural, suburban, and ex-urban communities
- public finance and alternative mechanisms for funding regional economic development
- agricultural or natural resource industry analysis, business development policy, and/or growth of industry clusters
- rural development through alternative agricultural and resource enterprises (value-added, biofuels, tourism)
- public and private interests in land and water use.

Initial teaching effort will include three courses per academic year (two if hired as an Associate Professor), with the incumbent contributing to the graduate and undergraduate curriculum in regional and development economics and other topics of specific research interest or departmental need. Other duties include recruiting, supervising, and advising graduate students, collaborating with faculty and others where appropriate, supporting outreach programs in regional development, and service to the department, college, and university.

The incumbent's primary focus will fall within the state of Colorado, but should extend into the western US and internationally as the successful applicant engages in development issues with relevant stakeholders. The successful candidate should be enthusiastic about developing a comprehensive program in regional economics and have a willingness to be a team member in the department, across the CSU campus, and within the state of Colorado.

If hired at the Associate level, this same leadership role and programming emphasis would be complemented with additional outreach activities, such as enhancing relations with public and private sector development and natural resource agencies, as well as the rural banking sector.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Ph.D. in economics, agricultural economics, or closely related field by June 30, 2009.
- Primary field of study and/or substantial professional experience in regional or community development economics.
- Evidence of proficiency in quantitative applied economic theory and analytical methods.
- At Associate level, five years of professional experience in regional or community development economics.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Demonstrated ability in higher education.
- Demonstrated success in obtaining extramural funding.
- Evidence of applied research productivity.
- Evidence of successful interdisciplinary research.
- Research interest or experience in domestic and international rural development issues.
- Research interest or experience in local government, public finance, and policy.
- At Associate level, interest in intellectual leadership for a new Center for Rural Development.

TO APPLY:

All interested and qualified individuals are encouraged to apply. Applications received by January 10, 2009 are guaranteed full consideration. Applications received after that date will be considered until the position is filled by a suitable candidate. To apply (by U.S. mail or in one pdf file by email), please submit a cover letter detailing your qualifications; resume or vita; three professional letters of reference; evidence of teaching and research quality (in a separate file); and a copy of your graduate transcript(s) (unofficial transcripts are acceptable), to:

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BACKGROUND CHECKS:

Colorado State University is committed to providing a safe and productive learning and living community. To achieve that goal, we conduct background investigations for all final candidates being considered for employment. Background checks may include, but are not limited to, criminal history, national sex offender search and motor vehicle history.

ABOUT CSU AND FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

Colorado State University is one of our nation's leading research universities with world-class research in infectious disease, atmospheric science, clean energy technologies, and environmental science. It was founded in 1870 as the Colorado Agricultural College, six years before the Colorado Territory became a state. Last year, CSU awarded degrees to more than 5,000 graduates, and this year, it attracted over \$300 million in research funding. Colorado State is a land-grant institution and a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University-Extensive.

Colorado State University is the “university of choice” for Colorado residents – 30 percent of all of Colorado's science, math, engineering and technology majors pursue degrees at CSU. In addition to its excellent programs in those areas, CSU offers among the very best professional programs in the United States in veterinary medicine, occupational therapy, journalism, agriculture, and construction management. USDA, CDC and Division of Wildlife research centers round out the research collaboration and job opportunities in this region of about 250,000 residents.

Fort Collins is an award-winning city located on the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains with the foothills and 14,000-foot peaks visible to residents. Rocky Mountain National Park is located in the same county as CSU. Easy access to hiking, skiing, rafting and other outdoor sports is a great advantage to CSU students, faculty and staff. Located north of the Denver metro area, CSU is less than an hour away from one of the nation's leading airports.

Colorado State University is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer and complies with all federal and Colorado state laws, regulations, and executive orders regarding affirmative action requirements. The Office of Equal Opportunity is located in Room 101, Student Services Building. In order to assist Colorado State University in meeting its affirmative action responsibilities, ethnic minorities, women and other protected class members are encouraged to apply and to so identify themselves.