Position: Forest Economics and Management
Rank: Assistant or Associate Professor
Job ID: 420877
Location: School of Environment and Natural Resources, College of Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

This is a full-time, nine-month, tenure-track position in the SENR. The incumbent will be expected to develop a nationally recognized research and extension program focused on forest economics, management, and policy. Potential research areas would include, but are not limited to: timber supply and markets, evaluating tradeoffs among ecosystem services, forest planning and decision-making, forest ecosystem services markets, and natural resource modeling. The successful applicant will build upon current strengths in forestry, wildlife, and environmental science in SENR, and will help strengthen existing collaborations with other departments and colleges at The Ohio State University.

Specific expectations and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

• Develop an effective extension program at the state and national level that supports management of forest resources for a wide range of ecosystem services, including timber and non-timber outputs. The candidate is expected to collaborate with existing OSU Extension programs affiliated with forestry and forest management, including the Ohio Woodland Stewards program.

• Develop a nationally recognized research program in forest economics, policy, and management. The incumbent is also expected to seek and obtain external funding to support their research program and to publish in peer-reviewed scientific journals.

• Collaborate with existing forest, wildlife, aquatic science, and other research programs at Ohio State, particularly addressing economic elements of forestry and natural resource management or policy issues.

• Teach the undergraduate course in Sustainable Forest Products and a graduate level course in their area of expertise. It is expected that the candidate will also be actively involved with the planning and delivery of the Forestry, Fisheries, and Wildlife capstone course.

• Actively participate in advising and mentoring undergraduate students, including honors students, as well as assist with advising student organizations. Advise and mentor graduate students in the Environment and Natural Resources Graduate Program with the opportunity to also contribute to graduate education in other related graduate degree programs at The Ohio State University.

• Work collaboratively with other University faculty/personnel, government agencies, non-government organizations, and citizen groups to advance the land grant mission of the University.

• Serve the School, University and professional communities through appropriate activities.
Qualifications:

Earned Ph.D. with a strong academic background in forest economics with an emphasis on forest management applications. At least one degree in forestry, natural resources management or related field is required. Applicants who are willing to engage in interdisciplinary research on forest policy and management are encouraged to apply. Those individuals applying at the associate professor level are expected to have a record of peer-reviewed publications and extramural funding. The successful candidate will also demonstrate excellent verbal and written communication skills and ability to work closely with other people.

Salary/Support:

Salary is dependent on qualifications and experience. The Ohio State University offers one of the most comprehensive benefits packages in the nation, which includes medical, dental, vision, and life insurance; tuition authorization; paid vacation and sick leave; ten paid holidays; and State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) or an Alternative Retirement Program. A start-up package, including discretionary funding, will be provided.

Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion:

The Ohio State University is committed to establishing a culturally and intellectually diverse environment, encouraging all members of our learning community to reach their full potential. We are responsive to dual-career families and strongly promote work-life balance to support our community members through a suite of institutionalized policies. We are an NSF Advance Institution and a member of the Ohio/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (HERC).

The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation or identity, national origin, disability status, or protected veteran status. Ohio State is an NSF Advance Institution.

Application Instructions:

Applicants should send the following: 1) letter of interest summarizing areas of expertise, including research interests, teaching philosophy in the classroom and in extension, career goals, and experience appropriate to the position; 2) a statement of interest and/or experience mentoring members of historically underrepresented groups; 3) curriculum vitae that includes relevant research, teaching and outreach experience; 4) copies of three relevant publications or reports and 5) a list of three references, including complete mailing addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses. These materials must be submitted as a single pdf file and sent as e-mail attachments to:

Forest Economics and Management
Search Committee Chair
School of Environment and Natural Resources
The Ohio State University
ENRfacultysearchforestecon@osu.edu

Application deadline is October 21, 2016, and the search will continue until a suitable candidate is identified.

The Ohio State University is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer. Women, minorities, Vietnam era veterans, disabled veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.