FACULTY POSITION OPENING

Department: Family and Consumer Sciences  
Area: Food Science  
Rank: Assistant Professor, Tenure Track  
Effective Date of Appointment: 2017 – 2018 AY  
Salary: Dependent upon qualifications

The University: California State University Northridge (CSUN), one of the largest of the 23 campuses of the California State University system, is located 20 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles in the San Fernando Valley, a suburb with a multi-cultural population of 1.8 million people. CSUN enrolls approximately 38,000 students from diverse backgrounds, served by 2,000 faculty. CSUN is home to 9 Colleges, offering baccalaureate degrees in 69 programs, master’s degrees in 58 graduate programs, 2 doctorate programs, 55 teaching credentials in the field of education, and various opportunities in extended learning and other special programs.

CSUN is strongly committed to achieving excellence through teaching, scholarship, active learning and diversity. Our values include a respect for all people, building alliances with the community and the encouragement of innovation, experimentation and creativity. CSUN is designated as a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) and an Asian American, Native American, Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI) and we value the diversity of all of our students and the campus community. CSUN actively encourages qualified candidates to apply who have experience working with students from diverse backgrounds and a demonstrated commitment to improving access to higher education for under-represented students.

The Department of Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS): The department of FCS is inspired by the belief that a supportive yet challenging learning environment is the foundation for the personal, intellectual and professional development of our students, faculty, and staff. FCS encompasses the study of relationships among people and their personal environments, focusing on the impact of physical, biological, and social environments on human behavior and development.

The Food Science program within FCS has an undergraduate enrollment of 100 students. The program has a strong network of support from local food industry, through its involvement with the local section of IFT and internships with 30+ companies in the area. For the last seven years, there has been an 80% job placement of new graduates immediately after graduation, and a 95% placement just 5 months after graduation.

FCS is one of nine departments within the College of Health and Human Development (CHHD): Our College’s mission is guided by several unifying values: a commitment to academic quality, student success, community engagement, and educational effectiveness. We embrace a learning-centered approach that values active learning and meaningful engagement not only in the classroom but also in clinical and community practice sites. We embrace and respect diverse and multicultural perspectives as we strive to improve and transform the lives of the individuals and diverse communities we serve.

Our Commitment to You:
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As an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer, CSUN strives to create a community in which a diverse population can work, teach and learn in an atmosphere of civility and respect for the rights of each individual. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, genetic information, medical information, marital status, or veteran status. For more information about the University, check our website: http://www.csun.edu/.

Qualifications: Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) or equivalent degree in food science or closely related field from an accredited university completed by August 2017 (date of hire) is required. Some experience in teaching food science courses at the college or university level is desirable. Teaching responsibilities include a broad spectrum of courses in the field of food science, including introductory level through senior-level courses. Experience in research, publications and extramural funding is preferred. Active participant in professional organizations such as the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), Research Chefs Association (RCA) or Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) is desirable. Experience in the food industry is desirable. Experience in student advisement is desirable. Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to teaching and mentoring a diverse student population. Strong collaborative and communication skills required. Experience with on-line teaching and instructional technology is highly desirable.

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CSUN is a Learning Centered University. The successful candidate will be expected to join faculty and staff in a commitment to active learning, to the assessment of learning outcomes, and to multiple pathways that enable students to graduate.

At time of appointment, the successful candidate, if not a U.S. citizen, must have authorization from the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services to work in the United States.

Evidence of degree(s) and licensure required at time of hire.

**Responsibilities:** Teach undergraduate in food science. Establish a continuous pattern of scholarly activities and publications, including research, participation in professional activities and possibly securing extramural funding. The successful candidate may be required to teach on weekdays, including evenings and possibly weekends. Participate in university governance. Collaborate in interdisciplinary projects with faculty in nutrition/dietetics, Family Consumer Sciences and other related fields. Work with a diverse group of students. Advise and mentor undergraduate and graduate majors. Involve and supervise graduate students in research and master’s theses. Participate in curriculum and program development for the department/discipline, and contribute to the University’s commitment to teacher preparation and general education.

**Application Deadline:** Screening of applications will begin Tuesday, January 17, 2017. Priority will be given to applicants who meet the screening deadline. However, the position will remain open until filled. Applicants should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and three current letters of recommendation (on official letterhead only) to the address below. In later phases of the search process, applicants may be requested to provide

Inquiries and applications should be addressed to:
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General Information:

The person holding this position is considered a 'mandated reporter' under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

Applicants who wish to request accommodations for a disability may contact the Office of Equity and Diversity, (818) 677-2077.

You are encouraged to visit the following websites:
- Faculty Development: [http://www.csun.edu/undergraduate-studies/faculty-development](http://www.csun.edu/undergraduate-studies/faculty-development)
- Employee Faculty Benefits: [http://www.csun.edu/hr/](http://www.csun.edu/hr/)
- Faculty Housing: [http://www.csun.edu/northcampus](http://www.csun.edu/northcampus)