

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY



Vacancy Announcement Faculty Tenure-Track Position Starting August 2022 Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources JOB # 2223-15

Humboldt State University is a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) that strives to foster an equitable and inclusive community that supports our students of diverse backgrounds. HSU is committed to achieving the goals of equal opportunity and endeavors to employ faculty and staff of the highest quality committed to working in a multicultural and multiracial community that reflects the diversity of the state.

DESCRIPTION: Humboldt State University's Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources invites applications for an academic year tenure-track faculty position in **Rangeland Resource Science**.

As an institution, HSU is committed to eliminating the equity gap in all student populations with dynamic, student-centered practices and policies that fully engage the campus community. The ideal candidate will share HSU's commitment to helping its racially and socioeconomically diverse students succeed in their degree and career objectives.

We value the ability to serve students from a broad range of cultural heritages, socioeconomic backgrounds, genders, abilities, and orientations. Therefore, we prioritize applicants who demonstrate they understand the benefits diversity brings to a professional educational community. The successful candidate will be an equity-minded individual committed to collaborating with faculty, classified staff, administration, and students who are also committed to closing equity gaps.

RANK, SALARY AND BENEFITS: We seek to fill this position at the Assistant or Associate Professor rank; however, rank and salary are dependent on the appointee's qualifications and experience. The current California State University Salary Schedule is available at: <http://www.humboldt.edu/aps/docs/salary/Salary-Schedule.pdf>
Humboldt State University provides an excellent benefits package for faculty. Information about benefits plans can be found at: <http://www.humboldt.edu/forms/node/934>.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: An earned Ph.D. or equivalent in Rangeland Ecology and Management or related field from an accredited college or university is required at the time of appointment. ABD will be considered. If ABD, degree requirements must be completed by August 2022. This position requires the ability and enthusiasm to lead the Rangeland Resource Science major program and teach a variety of rangeland, fire, and/or soils courses. The candidate will be expected to lead the Rangeland Resource Science program towards Society for Range Management (SRM) Professional Accreditation.

The successful candidate must demonstrate the following:

- ✓ Ability to teach Wildland Resource Principles, Vegetation Analysis & Health*, Rangeland and Ranch Planning*, Wildland Restoration & Development, and Wildland Ecology; (courses with asterisk are currently taught alternate years);
- ✓ Willingness to serve as an academic and career advisor to Rangeland Resource Science undergraduates;

- ✓ Willingness to lead the program to SRM accreditation;
- ✓ Experience and/or commitment to promoting and fostering a learning environment that is supportive of individuals from diverse backgrounds;
- ✓ Record of, or potential for, involving students in research and scholarly activity;
- ✓ Interest and ability in teaching field-based courses;
- ✓ Commitment to collegiality and collaboration for the benefit of the program, department, and university. Collaborative opportunities exist with Wildland Fire Ecology, Indigenous Natural Resources Practices, and Wildlife Habitat Management;
- ✓ Capacity to engage in interdisciplinary collaboration with other academic programs within the College and across the University;
- ✓ Capacity to engage in grant writing activities; and
- ✓ Demonstrated leadership in promoting equity and diversity in higher education.

Preferred qualifications for this position include:

- ✓ Active involvement (i.e., membership and/or leadership) in the Society for Range Management (SRM);
- ✓ Professional certification or willingness to acquire certification by SRM (i.e., CPRM or CRMC) and/or CA Certified Rangeland Manager (CRM) status within five years of appointment;
- ✓ Record of rangeland, fire fuels, and/or wildlife habitat management experience with federal or state agencies, tribes, Cooperative Extension Service, academic research, or other land management activities;
- ✓ Familiarity with diverse soils and rangeland ecosystems, including but not limited to coastal prairies, annual grasslands, and oak woodlands;
- ✓ Potential to teach courses in the new Fire major, for example Wildland Fire Use and Fire Behavior and Effects; and
- ✓ Experience and/or willingness to work with regional livestock producers and prescribed burn associations.

At the 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. For information on the University policy on support for non-immigrant probationary faculty visa acquisition, please visit the Faculty Immigration Resources page:

<https://extended.humboldt.edu/international-programs/immigration/faculty>.

Evidence of degree(s) is required at time of hire.

PROFESSIONAL DUTIES: Candidates should be committed to teaching excellence and to building a strong research record. Instructional assignments may include but are not limited to: RRS 306, RRS 370, RRS 430, RRS 370, RRS 375, RRS 460. Instructional assignments will be consistent with the programmatic needs of the department and students.

The primary professional responsibilities of instructional faculty members are teaching; scholarship and creative activity, and service to the University, profession, and community. These responsibilities include advising students, participation in campus and system-wide communities, maintaining office hours, working collaboratively and productively with colleagues, and participation in traditional academic functions. Probationary faculty are typically provided ongoing mentorship to be a successful member of the faculty. During the first two years of the probationary period, teaching responsibilities will be reduced by approximately one course per semester. The reduced teaching load supports the establishment of scholarship and creative activities required for retention, tenure, and promotion.

Humboldt State also continues to build unique and innovative learning opportunities for students, bridging the sciences, social sciences, arts, and humanities. HSU is a leader in “learning communities” that build relationships between students, faculty, staff, administrators, and the community. These communities incorporate environmental and social responsibility.

GENERAL INFORMATION: The Department of Forestry and Wildland Resources offers two baccalaureate degree programs in either Forestry (FOR) or Rangeland Resources Science (RRS). A new major in Fire is being planned as part of Humboldt State University’s transition to California Polytechnic University, Humboldt. We currently have about 220 Forestry and 30 Range students but anticipate rapid growth with the polytechnic designation. We have one recently retired tenure-line faculty in Range, nine tenure-line faculty in Forestry, and nine lecturers. Our RRS and SOIL classes are integrated into Forestry and Environmental Science & Management degree requirements. The RRS program recently celebrated its 50th anniversary and

remains the only named range degree program in California, qualifying graduates for federal OPM 0454 Rangeland Management Specialist employment. Our program is one of four in California that qualifies specified graduates for federal OPM 0470 Soil Scientist employment. Wildland Soils concentrations are found within the RRS and FOR majors. The Forestry program is accredited by the Society of American Foresters. Our Forestry Fire Ecology program is certified by the Association for Fire Ecology. HSU is committed to growing the RRS program and gaining accreditation by the Society for Range Management in the next five years. For more information about our Department, please visit: <https://fwr.humboldt.edu>.

Humboldt State University sits on the traditional homelands of the Wiyot people in what is currently called Arcata, CA. The Wiyot people call the area Goudi'ni (over in the woods). The Humboldt State University campus in Northern California is near several thriving Native American tribes and communities. Humboldt State currently has the largest percentage of Native American students in the CSU system and has over 30 Native American faculty and staff many from local area California Indian tribes. HSU is home to several leading Native American programs including the Indian Tribal Education and Personnel Program (ITEPP) and the Indian Natural Resource, Science and Engineering Program (INRSEP). There are also many opportunities at HSU to conduct research, teaching, and community work on Native American history and cultures in Special Collections at the HSU library. The Humboldt Room in the Library has fantastic resources for tribally focused archive materials from the region. HSU strives to build a supportive and inclusive Native community and engages with Indigenous communities through various initiatives and opportunities like the annual California Indian Big Time and Indigenous People's Week and a chance to network with other faculty and staff as part of the HSU Council of American Indian Faculty and Staff. For more information, please visit: www.humboldt.edu/nasp

APPLICATION: Qualified candidates should submit the following materials through Interfolio:

Click here to apply: <http://apply.interfolio.com/99811>

- ✓ Letter of application;
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae;
- ✓ Diversity Statement, include your understanding of the barriers facing Black, Indigenous, and other people of Color (BIPOC) in higher education and your past and/or future contributions to inclusive student success, including equitable access and outcomes through teaching and professional or public service. Applicants are encouraged to highlight any contributions they have made towards the inclusivity of students from the LGBTIQ+ community. (2 page limit);
- ✓ Statement of Teaching Philosophy, including how it relates to supporting students who have been historically marginalized and/or minoritized;
- ✓ Statement of research interests;
- ✓ Teaching evaluations, and peer evaluations of teaching, if available;
- ✓ Graduate transcripts (unofficial copies are sufficient for initial review); and
- ✓ Names and contact Information for three (3) professional references.
- ✓ Recommended: PDFs of at least two (2) peer reviewed publications.
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Additional application materials may be requested later.

Please direct any questions pertaining to this position or Humboldt State University to:

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: This position is open until filled. First consideration will be given to completed applications received no later than **February 14, 2022**. Early response is encouraged.



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It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide complete and accurate employment information. Evidence of required degree(s), certifications(s), or licenses(s) will be required prior to the appointment date. A background check (including a criminal records check, employment verification, and education verification) must be completed satisfactorily as a condition of employment with the CSU. Certain positions may also require a credit check, motor vehicle report, and/or fingerprinting through Live Scan service. Adverse findings from a background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for the position.

All CSU employees are obligated to respond to and report incidents of sexual harassment and sexual violence. Compliance with the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA) and CSU Executive Order 1083 Revised July 21, 2017 (EO 1083) is a condition of employment. CSU employees in positions with duties that involve regular contact with children or positions which supervise such employees are designated as Mandated Reporters under CANRA and are required to comply with the requirements set forth in EO 1083. Upon appointment to this position, the successful candidate(s) will be notified of and required to acknowledge their CANRA reporting status. New employees hired by the CSU for the first time who first become CalPERS members on or after July 1, 2017 are subject to a 10-year vesting period for retiree health and dental benefits.

Humboldt State University is a Title IX/Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, protected veteran status, or any other legally protected status. If accommodations need to be made during the recruitment and interview process, please contact Human Resources at (707) 826-3626 or hsuhr@humboldt.edu

Humboldt State University is part of the 23-campus California State University system. The University has a comprehensive arts and sciences curriculum, which is recognized nationally for its high academic quality. Founded in 1913, HSU is one of the premier public institutions in the western United States; it is a residential and rural campus with an enrollment of approximately 6,400 students. The main campus is located in Arcata, California, in the northwestern part of the state along the coast, situated among redwood trees in an area that offers unmatched scenic beauty, moderate climate and opportunities for outdoor activities. The surrounding Humboldt County locale has a population of around 130,000. The community offers an excellent range of businesses, services and cultural activities/performances. The local schools are ranked in the top performance percentiles, both nationally and in the state. Additional information about Humboldt State University can be found at: <http://www.humboldt.edu>.